

His Church Anglican
Vestry Meeting
May 25, 2011

Present: Pastor Allen, Junior Warden Gary Palmer, Mary Darnell, Zach Frey, Dave Simmons, Mary Ann Sulick, Jim Langley, Kaye Langley and Marcia Fish.

Absent: Senior Warden Mike Figura and Lenn Mercer.

Pastor Allen opened the meeting with prayer followed by a discussion of pages 163-190 from the book Remember Eve by Thaddeus and Erilynne Barnum. The discussion focused on the need to ask God to show us where anything not of Him has crept into our actions and discussions and to expose any deception.

The minutes of the April 13 meeting were approved as presented.

During the meeting, the Vestry reviewed the Parish Discussion held on Sunday, May 22, to learn what everyone had heard from the Lord during our time of fasting during Lent concerning our focus, goals and whether or not God wants us to more aggressively pursue a building of our own. It was shared with the vestry that one of the biggest concerns of some in the congregation was that parish communications could not be used to publicize Building Fund activities. After about an hour of discussion the following motion was approved four to one:

Whereas we must respect Pastor Allen's time and energy as the spiritual leader of His Church Anglican; and whereas we must respect the Vestry's time and energy as temporal leaders of the parish; and whereas we must respect the legitimate passion of the parishioners for a building "home," and while we maintain that no fundraiser should impact Sunday worship: we agree that Building Fund Raising activities can be conducted in the parish as long as these are coordinated and approved by the Finance Committee, we respectfully request that the present moratorium on a building search be upheld until the Vestry determines that the Lord is leading us in that direction; and we encourage all members of the parish to strive to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

It was understood that the wording of the motion would be publicized in the congregation as soon as possible by using the email that Pastor Allen sends out every week.

As Russ McDonald and Mike Figura could not be present, Pastor Allen presented the Financial Reports.

Pastor Allen was authorized to hire a replacement for Marcia Fish who has submitted her resignation. He has already talked to one candidate who would be willing to work fulltime which might necessitate increasing the budget item for salaries. No objection to doing this was expressed.

Mary Ann Sulick said she has been told that a parishioner needs \$600 for essential medical supplies. The amount of \$600 from the Memorial Fund was approved.

Mary Ann also said that the Parish Picnic will be on Sunday, June 12, at Madonna, after the 10 AM service.

EACH Reports

The EACH Car Wash on May 21 that we participated in with members of the Memorial Church of Christ went very well.

Twenty five people attended the first Job Search Seminar on Saturday, May 7. There will be another one on Thursday, June 9.

Mary Darnell described the sharing that our Sunday School children are doing with the 2 Word story bands she had purchased for them.

New Business

A news article about a problem at a local church reminded everyone that we need to be vigilant to protect our children from sexual predators.

On June 3 at 8 PM, a band of local musicians led by Ryan Maike will lead a time of worship, sharing and teaching at the office with the hope that this will become a twice a month event. There is money in the budget to cover this.

Homework for the next meeting will be to read John 14 and 16, Romans 8 and Acts 2 and write down what the Holy Spirit does and who He is.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 22 at 7 PM. There will be a Finance Committee meeting at 6 PM that evening.

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 PM.

Marcia M. Fish
Administrative Assistant