

Vestry Agenda
St. Mary's Episcopal Church
August 12, 2018
"Opening hearts and minds to all"

Purpose: *The purpose of St. Mary's Episcopal Church is to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ.*

Core Values: *Commitment, Care, Compassion, Celebration*

2018 Vestry Goals: ~~Create a Path to Sustainability ✕~~

Foster Growth: Spiritual, Commitment, Numbers ✕

Develop a Vision Statement Centered Around the Long-Term Goals of the Congregation

Vestry Members Present: Richard Lange, Mark Nill, Abe Nyoka, Jake Pfau, Rod Pugh, Hayley Sharpe, Scott Siers.

Officers Present:

Clergy: Rev. Anne Largent Smith

Visitors Present:

Vestry Members Absent: Lois, Al, Bruce

Monthly Business

- Consent Agenda: July Minutes, June Financials, Priest-in-Charge report, Wardens' reports, Online Vestry Vote

Motion: Moved by Rod, seconded by Richard, motion carried, to accept consent agenda as presented.

- Approval of Agenda
- Appointment of timekeeper-Mark and action item tracker-Scott
- Vestry Report Assignments for **8/19**
8:00: Richard 10:00: Rod

Formation

- How have we experienced the Holy Spirit?
What did it take to be in a position to have that experience?

Decisions

- **Janitorial bids** - We are looking for a weekly service, but should we pay per visit, month to month, or longer. Coverall requires a one-year contract that is hard to break, follow up with city wide. Motion: give notice of termination with current cleaning service, then start using City Wide cleaners starting Friday September 7th (Friday evening). Evaluate at October vestry meeting Moved by Hayley and seconded by Abe. Motion carried with one abstained.

Discussion

- **New Vestry members** - New Vestry members: Mark will send out a letter to the parish about vestry and inviting people to get involved. Will we have vestry member testimonials or who will be in charge of talking to people about vestry. Suggestion to have coffee with a vestry member between services?
- **Investment withdrawal**: Discussion of finances and need for more money to cover bills. Motion to follow Susie's suggestion to move 20 thousand from investment funds to Patelco Moved by Scott and seconded by Jake. Motion carried

Goal Work - Need to come up with an accountability process for action steps. Would we like to revise action steps, or drop any?

Property - (Mark & Scott—30 minutes) Need emails from vestry members about what our property needs are. All parish meeting. Anne is looking into options for selling the property.

Information

- Calendar:
 - Parish Meeting, August 19, 9:15 – 9:45 am
 - Multicultural Festival, August 25, 10 am – 4 pm
 - Work Day, August 25, 8 am – finish

Closing

- Review action items
- Meeting review
- Closing Prayer Circle

Consent Agenda

Priest-in-Charge Report for July 2018

Here are some of the highlights of my work in July:

- Met with County Planner's office to feel out their position on our potential plans for St. Mary's property (a step in our plan for our Property goal).
- Along with Kathy Lawler, started meeting with several of our youth who seem a little overwhelmed by the world, an effort I've dubbed "Uplift Youth."
- Received a letter from the county giving us (and everyone) an extension on our inactive well permit.

- Called a series of companies to request bids for janitorial services, and met with four companies to discuss.
- Opened and closed Kids Kamp every day during the week of July 9 – 13—lots of fun.
- Responded to a handful of requests for assistance from strangers behind on their utility bills, etc. Assisted two people in meeting their needs.
- Had the joy and privilege of offering our church's first use of the rite approved by TEC in 2015 for blessing same-sex marriages.

In Christ,
Rev. Anne

Senior Warden's Report

- St. Mary's Day is around the corner. SMD committee will need to meet to finalize plans for the day: proposal: between services (9:15am) on Sunday, August 5. We will have 30 minutes. Otherwise, we have to meet next week on Monday or Tuesday 8/6 or 8/7) Reminder: we will have a Vestry meeting following the celebration.
- Multicultural Festival @ EG Park on August 25. Hayley has taken the lead for us. Volunteers still needed. Please volunteer if you can or ask someone if they can take part in this opportunity.
- It has been brought to my attention by Randy Lee (former sexton) that the roofs of the portables are due for Blackjack sealant application. He has said he will try to assist with this if he can.
- Follow up email is being sent to EGUSD to set up a meeting to clarify our outreach to the district and to explore other opportunities of stewardship.
- Follow up email is being sent to Sheldon HS, concerning potential senior project opportunities (building a patio cover / repair or replace ramp around the portables). We will also extend this opportunity to Laguna Creek HS MPTA academy if Sheldon cannot or does not believe it to be feasible at this time.
- I have acquired best CSD contacts but have yet to send out email inquiring about a partnership with them concerning our facility.
- Kids Kamp was a great success
- Well pump was serviced the week of Kid's Kamp. This marks two years in a row that the well was serviced in July; however service person expressed to me that while it seems to be an

annual occurrence that does not mean that it will need to be service next July (sometimes it can be two or even three years between services).

- Multiple light ballasts need to be replaced in the Noah & Fireside rooms as well as the office.
- Next Stewardship Mtg is August 16th @ 6pm
- Lastly, please begin conversations with folks who you believe may be interested in serving on Vestry beginning in January. Abe, Scott and I will be finishing our terms, so we will be looking for three people to fill those spots. Both Warden positions will need to be filled also, so if you might be interested in either of those positions, please speak to Anne, Scott or myself.

– Mark Nill

Junior Warden's Report

Unfortunately, the work day for the end of July was cancelled so we will have to wait to finish weed whacking the perimeter of the property.

We were able to finish the east fence line so we were compliant with the warning we got. Randy also reminded us that the portables are due for roof coating that we will schedule for the next work day as well.

We completed the 3 bids to do the cement work on fixing the sidewalk and the east side ramp and the vestry decided on one of the bids. Work will start on Tuesday, August 7th and will take 1 or 2 days.

After a successful Kids Kamp, Sarah put up the FPU sign with the updated fall dates.

– Scott Siers