

The Episcopal Parish Church of Saint Michael & All Angels

3233 Pacific View Drive
Corona del Mar, CA 92625

The Rev. Susan Pinkerton, Interim Priest in Charge

Minutes of the Vestry Meeting Tuesday, August 10, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rector – the Rev. Susan Pinkerton
Senior Warden – Louise Stover
Clerk – Susan Brown
Christian Education – Anne Conover
Stewardship – Keith Lumpkin
Fellowship – Gail Haghjoo

Communications – Clyde Dodge
Junior Warden – Jim Palda
Ombudsperson – Steve Morris
Mission – Mary Bailey
Treasurer – Jan Faller

Missing:

The Rev. Barbara Stewart
Buildings & Grounds – empty
Evangelism – empty

1. Opening prayer
 - 1.1 The meeting opened with prayer at 5:35 p.m.
 - 1.2 The Dwelling on the Word covered John 12:24-26 on a grain of wheat.
2. Matters of General Consent
 - 2.1 Reports of commissions
 - 2.1.1 Commission reports and the corrected minutes of July 13, 2021, were accepted.
 - 2.1.2 Upcoming events include Bishop Taylor's visit on Sept. 26 and the ministry fair on Sept. 12. Possible events for the St. Michael's Day reception for the bishop include an obstacle course for children and a barbecue. At the ministry fair, the flower guild will give away seeds.
3. Reports of Officers
 - 3.1 Interim Priest in Charge (Susan Pinkerton, or SP+)
 - 3.1.1 The treasurer of the diocese sent a noncommittal email on the mission share fund but nonetheless acknowledged a lack of clarity from the diocese.

- 3.1.2 SP+ reminded the Vestry that she has set up at meeting with Father Paul at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 11, to review St. Monica's facilities agreement. She is hoping the agreement can be signed.
- 3.1.3 The fall program begins Sept. 12, and the worship committee plans to meet on scheduling the services. The congregation has differing opinions: Some want only a 10 a.m. service, while others think an 8 a.m. service is also needed. Only a 10 a.m. service would be on Zoom. One suggestion to hold an 8 a.m. service in the chapel was met with concerns about whether we could forgo altar guild, acolytes, and readers. Questions remain about the fate of Sundays at 9 and Kerygma.
- 3.1.4 Harbor Day School has not paid for the summer, but the timing of their payments is irregular, so money may arrive shortly.
- 3.1.5 SP+ will hold an instructive Holy Eucharist in October so the congregation can learn the reasons behind what we say and do.

3.2 Senior Warden (Louise Stover)

- 3.2.1 Mark Peterson sent Verizon and its subcontractor Tangent Systems a letter asking them to consider paying for repairs to the roof, ceiling, and basketball court and to do planting around the shed. They asked for estimates, and we are optimistic about negotiations.
- 3.2.2 Louise Stover and Maile Jensen worked on three years' worth of budget data for categorizing into the format of the narrative budget.

3.3 Junior Warden (Jim Palda)

- 3.3.1 Plans to repaint the sanctuary are on hold. Rather, for \$400 more, the parish could repaint Michael's library and the conference room in the same color.

3.4 Finance commission (Jan Faller)

- 3.4.1 Finances are following the usual summer trends. We are putting away money in our reserves, because the budget will not balance when we have a new rector and the school stops using the gym.
- 3.4.2 New carpeting for Michael's room and other spaces is estimated to cost \$12,000. That expense will be postponed until next year. We will also get an estimate on vinyl flooring.
- 3.4.3 We are checking on the insurance policy to make sure that the art is properly covered. A new full appraisal will run \$1,000, but we may not need to do that.

3.5 Ombudsperson (Steve Morris)

- 3.5.1 We have a request that in Sunday services, parishioners being recognized for birthdays, travel, and anniversaries come up to the front to be recognized.

4. Old Business

4.1 Bylaw review

4.1.1. Steve Morris has finished reviewing the bylaws. While they are generally in compliance with diocesan requirements, he found some issues that will need consideration, such as the size of the quorum required for the annual meeting, the size of the Vestry, and the number of votes needed to pass a motion by the Vestry. SP+ asked him to prepare a report and provide suggestions for the Vestry to take up in October.

5. New Business

5.1 Mutual Ministry Review

5.1.1. The Vestry filled out the Mutual Ministry Review question on spiritual vitality. See accompanying document.

6. Concluding benediction

6.1 The Vestry concluded with the prayer at 6:55 p.m.