

**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  
May 10, 2022**

**PRESENT**

Senior Warden – Louise Stover  
Fellowship – Gail Haghjoo  
Clerk – Colette Spence  
Christian Education – Kim Montgomery  
Junior Warden – Jim Palda  
Evangelism – Clyde Dodge  
Communications – Brooke Pauley

The Rev. Dr. Barbara Stewart  
Finance – Stacie Tibbets  
Ombudsperson – Steve Morris  
Mission – Mary Bailey  
Buildings & Grounds – Donald Sheetz  
Stewardship – Keith Lumpkin

Absent – Rector- The Rev. Susan Pinkerton

1. Opening Prayer – The Rev. Barbara Stewart

1.1. Prayer by Rev. Barbara Stewart opened the meeting at 5:34 p.m.

1.2. The Dwelling in the Word, led by Mary Bailey, came from Romans 12:1-8 on where God may be calling us. Followed by a discussion of the passage.

2. Matters of General Consent

2.1 Minutes of the Vestry meeting needed changing for 1 Opening Finance to Opening Prayer and 4.1 UC to CDSP. Changes made 5/28/2022

2.2 Reports of Commissions

2.2.1 Fellowship-Gail reported that she will send something out regarding Pentecost Brunch, it will have an international theme.

2.2.2 Evangelism- Clyde nothing to report. Clyde did talk about wanting to get three people and form a committee to plan and implement embracing evangelism. There is a 6 week series with activities and videos.

2.2.3 Building & Grounds-Donald asked about funding on-going issues. Don sees some of the trees to be immediate issues before we have winds that will knock those trees over (tree on Marguerite and the coral trees between the parking lot and Pacific View). Donald has met with a tree guy and asked for a quote. Donald is not happy with the current grounds person. He is charging us \$1800 for insurance and wanted to know if we put him on our insurance if it would be cheaper.

Donald has approached 2 handymen regarding buildings. First one would not give a bid. The second one gave an excessive bid, \$18,000, There are a lot of issues that need attention. Financial campaign for Buildings & Grounds was brought up again. In the past there were parishioners who offered money for repairs.

2.2.4 Jim recommends a motion that the finance committee determine where funds for up

to \$2500 to take care of the trees can come from. The motion is seconded and was approved by the vestry members that were present.

2.2.5 Mission- Mary reported that \$2000 was raised for MOMS of OC and that it would be taken to them the next week. Mary suggested a rummage sale as a way to raise money for the church.

2.2.6 Education- Kim reported that things are going well. There are lots of people (new mothers and fathers)

2.2.7 Stewardship-Keith said that we have received \$13,300. We are ahead for the year to date.

2.2.8 Communication- Brooke called for metrics. Wayne is working to streamline graphics. Louise asked for help interpreting the metrics. Brooke said that next month she will have clear metrics.

2.2.9 Senior Warden- Lousie asked about requesting funds for expenses below \$1,000 to be okay and for funds over \$1,000 be pre-vetted with commission before vestry to save time. Finance meets the Monday before vestry meeting.

### 2.3 Upcoming Parish Events

2.3.1 Vestry to meet on May 15th to brainstorm ways to increase income for the church

Pentecost Brunch on June 5, 2022

Youth Sunday date change, no date yet

### 3. Finance Commission Report (Stacie Tibbets)

3.1 Stacie reported that the finance committee met on May 9, 2022. We are on track with pledges. There were some questions with the Mission Committee about some negative numbers. Stacie will check with Miley. Income is over budget and expense is under.

### 4. Old Business – Rector Search (Louise Stover)

4.1 The search for a new rector is closed and the candidates are being vetted. The rector search committee hopes to get packets soon after the vetting.

4.1.1 Louise and Stacie spoke with a sister parish regarding the living situation of a rector. St. Wilfrids came up with a stipulation that the rector would live within 30 min. Commute.

4.1.2 Louise made a motion (Motion #1) that the rector's primary residence be within 30 minutes commuting distance from parish campus. Kim seconds the motion. Discussion followed. Stacie brought up that commute time can change. Jim said that he doesn't think the restriction is appropriate, there was dialogue that it can be discussed when talking with applicants as we want the best fit. Jim opposes the motion. Gail said that we could have a statement that says there is an expectation of the rector being available when needed. Motion was not approved.

4.1.3 Another motion was made that the rector will notify parish officers if the rector's primary residence changes to a distance greater than the 30 minute commuting distance. Jim said we could have an open dialogue. Steve said that there could be a mutual agreement between the rector and parish that if the rector plans to move they are to notify the parish officers. Kim brought up that this can be an ongoing discussion as we see the

candidates that are recommended. Brooke brought up the cost of living in the area. Motion #2 is tabled for further discussion.

4.2 Parish By Laws Louise reported that +Susan Pinkerton checked on the by laws. Steve Morris reported that we are waiting for the diocese to approve.

4.3 Evaluation of Diocesan Episcopal Enterprises Program- Steve Morris looked at what is available with information about how to protect us as a non-profit. Discuss more on Sunday 5/15/22 after the service in the chapel.

## 5. Reports of Officers

5.1 Rev. Barbara Stewart- Safe Church needs to be taken by some people. They are having trouble getting on. A code is needed to access. Who needs to take it needs to be clarified.

5.2 Junior Warden - Jim Palda reported that the attendance was up (Easter Sunday).

5.3 Ombudsperson - Steve Morris expressed his gratitude to Don for taking care of things

5.4 Clerk – Colette Spence nothing to report

## 6. New Business

6.1 Update on the notebook for building access codes & priority of projects-Don Sheetz - nothing new

6.2 2022 Narrative Budget - Lousie Stover and Keith Lumpkin Vestry discussed how the definitions for the Narrative Budget need to be improved or more concise so that they are easily understood by the people completing it. Brooke said it would help each commission if the definitions were tightened up as they are subjective now. It will give people guideposts for when they are allocating their time. This discussion will be revisited.

7. Next Vestry meeting will June 14, 2022, 5:30pm- 7:00pm

Concluding prayer