

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Notes from the Vestry

November 13, 2014

Julien Worland, Clerk

Members of the vestry assembled for their regular monthly meeting. Senior Warden Dave Hilditch offered the opening prayer. In the clerk's absence, Barbara Uhlemann took minutes. Members of the Vestry reviewed financial reports including year-to-date income and expenses as well as pledges for 2015.

A transition team under Mary Moore including George and Delores Friesen, Ben Kiel, and Faith Sandler, was developing an information book for the incoming rector. The team will take responsibility for planning events to mark the departure of Interim Rector Mark Hatch and for welcoming Trinity's incoming Rector.

The Vestry also discussed progress on the construction of the new South Parish Hall. Construction was hoped to be complete before Christmas, but occupancy must await the receipt of City permits.

The Vestry planned for Trinity's final Sunday with Deacon Jerre Birdsong. They also discussed plans for a joint service with Second Presbyterian Church scheduled for 6 PM on the day of the announcement of the grand jury's decision relating to the August death of Michael Brown.

The Vestry then met with members of the Search Committee to hear their presentation and nomination of Rev. Jonathan Stratton as Trinity's new Rector.

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November 22, 2014

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Unusual for the Vestry, its members met on Saturday morning because of agenda items tabled after its Nov. 13 meeting with the Search Committee. All members were present. Hazel Kirk offered the opening prayer.

Senior Warden Dave Hilditch announced that Trinity received \$5,800 in memorial gifts in honor of deceased parishioner Perry Bascom. In addition, Joe Palecek remembered Trinity in his will. When received, the amount will be set aside as the Palecek Memorial Fund, which the Vestry will decide how to spend.

The Vestry reviewed the donations of time and talent provided by parishioners and made plans for how to contact and thank members for their generosity.

The Annual Meeting will be January 25, and the Vestry discussed the slate of vestry candidates they will present to the congregation. They discussed possible roles for Vestry members who will remain on the 2015 Vestry.

The Vestry discussed the transition timeline in connection with the departure of Interim Rector Mark Hatch and the welcome of Rev. Jonathan Stratton as Trinity's new Rector. Mark's final Sunday will be Dec. 21; supply clergy will celebrate Mass including on Christmas until Jon Stratton's first Thursday Mass, Jan. 22, and first Sunday Eucharist, Jan. 25. The Annual Meeting will be held that same Sunday, when a festival potluck will provide parishioners an opportunity to welcome Jon to Trinity. Mary Moore and her Transition Committee will arrange these events. Jon may participate before these dates at parish events, perhaps at a children's liturgy and at the Jan. 8 Vestry meeting.

Vestry members also reviewed details about how to announce Jon Stratton's acceptance of the Vestry's call, and they discussed how all parishioners should honor Diocesan guidelines for clergy leave-taking.

Junior Warden Willie Meadows reported that the North Parish Hall roof needed repairs and that the furnace will require new piping. He will oversee the installation of new carpeting from the west entrance doors into the back of the nave. It will match recently installed carpet in the chapel. The Vestry approved this improvement.

Vestry adjourned and recited the Our Father.