Vestry Meeting

April 25, 2019

6:00pm

The Vestry of Christ Church met on Thursday, April 25, 2019.

Attending:

Senior Warden, Michael Thompson; the Junior Warden, Nancy Poston; the Treasurer, Jim Hatley; Seth Sizer; John Barnes; Joel King; and Barbara Arthur.

Joel King opened the meeting with a prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved on Motion of Nancy Poston, seconded by Jim Hatley.

The Senior Warden has been in consultation with Canon Michelle Bolt, who is assisting us with

procedures for selecting and calling a new rector. Vestry members were given the assignment of

drafting questions to be used in interviewing candidates. Techniques for composing effective

questions were given and discussed. A meeting was called for the evening of May 1, 2019, to select questions to be sent to Canon Bolt for her review.

The Junior Warden had numerous items to report, as follows:

1. Adams Masonry has completed its work on the tower brick and that the results are very

satisfactory.

2. She has made plans to clean and repair the chancel gates (which have been in storage and found during the cleaning of the basement) in the Lady Chapel and to find

better storage for certain items which have been stored in the damp environment of the basement.

She proposes that one of the small rooms in the Sunday School area be used to house church

property, and that climate-controlled storage be found for our nicer items. Joel King moved that a committee be formed to determine the best use of the upstairs rooms. Seth Sizer seconded his

motion, and it was adopted by the Vestry. She reported also that the walls in the narthex have been painted and that baseboard were to be painted on April 25.

3. The ceiling in the tower room is leaking and pieces are falling from it. Ms Poston has

made arrangements for a workman to inspect it. She will get a bid for repairs as well as for new tile and carpet for the Lady Chapel and ceiling tile which is needed in the Choir Room and the Sunday School rooms.

4. She has been working with UTC on a proposal to lease our parking lot to the University.

Joanna Harrison and Barbara Arthur are delegated to explore the tax issues arising from the lease

and to report their findings to Nancy.

5. She has also found someone to repair the statues of Saint Peter and Saint Paul.

6. A matching gift to restore the windows on the west side of the church has been made. Ms

Poston has a plan to invite financial participation by parishioners and others for the windows and for

our other needs and priorities. She will create a chart to demonstrate this to the parish.

7. The Baldwin organ in the basement has no further useful life. The Junior Warden was

authorized to dispose of it as she sees fit.

The stewardship committee is planning a capital campaign. Its goal is to raise $150,000.00 to

replace the funds we have used to preserve the church.

The need for a better system for providing altar flowers was discussed. In the past, records were

maintained of the donors and the occasion of the gift. Joel King will make inquiry as to who in the parish would be interested in assuming this responsibility. Joel also suggests that the insurance be reviewed to determine its current adequacy.

Jim Hatley gave the treasurer’s report, and copies were distributed to all.

The meeting was ended with a prayer offered by Seth Sizer.

We are adjourned to our next regular meeting on May 16, 2019.