

Vestry Minutes
5 January 2016

PRESENT: Gloria, Barbara, Michel. **GUEST:** Beau, Steve Charlie

CALL TO ORDER at 4:30 pm. Opening Prayer: Michel

ITEMS WE NEED TO ACCEPT

***Motion** to accept the minutes from 8 December 2015 as written made by Michel, seconded by Gloria, approved.*

ITEMS / REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

- I. **Treasurer's/ Bookkeeper's Report:** Pledges are at 241% of projected for 2015. Also, many expense areas have been overspent. Our expenses were \$520 more than our income in 2015.
- II. **Immanuel Retreat Center & Stone Church Arts:** The fourth quarter financial report was presented. We ended the year about \$2,100 in positive territory. The workshop this Saturday is full with 20 people. The Mandolin Festival next weekend is nearly full, and we have ten people for a rental at the end of the month.
- III. **Community Closet:** None of the volunteers showed up this Saturday, but a lot of donations came in. Michel and his wife were there until 3 pm.
- IV. **Buildings and Grounds:** Campers left debris in upper cemetery. The floor upstairs in Currier is being replaced and room painted paid for by Retreat Center. Lights need replacing: outside front door motion detection light and the Chancel peak light.
- V. **Worship Committee:** The meeting follows this Vestry meeting.

ITEMS FOR ACTION / DISCUSSION

(Old Business)

- I. **Altar Guild:** Barbara has resigned. Gloria asked priests to assist and they will do some set up. The Sacristy needs cleaning out. Patrick and Nancy and Jim will help. We are grateful to Barbara for her many years of service.

(New Business)

- I. **2016 Budget:** ***Motion** to approve the Proposed 2016 Budget to submit to annual meeting made by Michel, seconded by Gloria, approved.*
- II. **Vestry Nominees:** Gloria will talk with Jim again.
- III. **Annual Meeting Planning:** Cold cuts, drinks and fruit will be provided as usual. We will not purchase a full platter like last year. We had too much left over.
- IV. **Other:** **1) Currier Hall:** We still need to paint and replace windows upstairs. Beau will bring this to the next Vestry meeting. **2) Musicians:** We have not had any increase in attendance on Sunday mornings since we started the musicians roster. It was pointed out that the word needs to get out and it is too soon to tell. **3) Outreach Press Release:** We could put out to papers what we are doing here, Outreach, etc. We do a lot for the community. We need to send press release about the Christmas Fund as well as about our music program. **4) Shrove Tuesday:** 9 February is Shrove Tuesday. Steve won't be able to do it this year.

CLOSING PRAYER: Michel

ADJOURNED: 5:30 pm.

NEXT MEETING: 9 February 2016

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Bowler