

**Agenda Vestry Meeting,
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
March 15, 2020**

Zoom meeting called to order at 9:10 am.

Present: Mother Barbara, Maureen (senior warden), Gretchen (junior warden), Bill, Donna, Terry, Rebecca (clerk)

Guests: Loraine

Absent: Jacob Maas

Opening Prayer

Approval of February meeting minutes (with 2 corrections).

Motion made by Maureen, seconded by Donna; motion approved.

- Let the minutes show that the vestry accepted the vote for the changes in the By-Laws and enter it into the record. (see Excel spread sheet attached to Mother Barbara's email message March 27, 2020)

- Let the minutes show that the vestry accepted the vote for the 2020 budget and enter it into the record. (see Excel spread sheet attached to Mother Barbara's email message March 27, 2020)

Consent & News Items

- Rector's Report:

All day conference "Fresh Start" @ St. James' Commons

Pastoral visits/lunches: 6

Interviewed 2 potential child care providers

Ash Wednesday-2 services

Hosted the Deanery meeting 2/27

Prep for Adult Formation

New and Carried Over Business

- Online, video streaming church services (NY Times projection coronavirus situation likely to last through July or longer).
Motion made by Maureen, seconded by Gretchen to charge Mother Barbara with research of on-line worship, Eucharistic options and maintaining pledges, using Zoom, Facebook Live, YouTube; motion passed.
- Setting individual goals as Vestry, Rector, Wardens for this year and especially creating or adopting an instrument with which to evaluate how we are doing individually, and collectively as a parish, on attaining those goals.
A task force of Gretchen and Bill charged with researching and compiling information.
- Tentative date for parish-wide meeting/method by which to approve Budget & By-Laws
Mother Barbara will research online voting using Constant Contact survey for entire parish (those with internet access), those without will receive mailed surveys
- Vestry retreat, 3/28: Begins with lunch 1:00 PM at Panera's Meeting Room and continues until 4 PM, or perhaps an online retreat at the same time?
Unknown if possible.
Possible Zoom retreat (business subject matter).
- Taize worship report
Suspended. Mother Barbara will research video/filming of service, possibly Facebook Live.
- Buildings and Grounds: Closet door in the Narthex which won't close is an eyesore and poor way to welcome guests/visitors
Motion made by Donna, seconded by Bill to ask Rhys to get an estimate for replacing closet door.
Mother Barbara will call Melin's to get a second opinion about fixing locks on church doors (many are very difficult to lock/unlock).
- More information coming about becoming a sanctuary church as part of underground railroad stop.

- Outreach: Conversation about ministry to the community/ folks “fostered” by St. Paul’s. Damian, Tasha and Malachi are still in need of much assistance. Lynne, Barbara and several other parishioners are helping with needs. Damian is doing some work around the church to earn much needed money.
- Recap of March 8 parish meeting, How and Why We do Things
16 or so in attendance. Good start to our conversation. Will continue meetings in the future.
- Mother Barbara will continue research into childcare.
- Maureen presented financial concerns from Rick
- Let the minutes show that Mother Barbara be reimbursed in full for submitted expenses.
- Motion to adjourn meeting at 10:50 am made by Donna.

Prayer, Adjourn