

St. Paul's Episcopal Church  
Vestry Minutes  
December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Members Present: Brad Cripe, Senior Warden; Mike Duffy, Junior Warden; Pat Brown, Treasurer; Rev. Stacy Walker-Frontjes, Rector; David Anderson; Freyja Johns; Jennie Cummings, Gretchen Schlabach.

Members Absent: None

Guests: Lorraine Langer, Director of Music Ministries

The meeting began at 12:16PM.

Appreciations:

1. To the Sunday School teachers for this Sunday's Christmas party for the children of the parish;
2. To Jennie Cummings for teaching the adult Sunday school today;
3. To Lorraine for coaching the children's choir (and to Gretchen for helping her!)
4. To Rev. Stacy for all her work;
5. To the flower guild for all their work;
6. To the parish for the Safe Passage donations, and to Pat McMahon and Janie Torma for all their work coordinating the gifts;
7. To Pat Brown for her work on the budget.

Gretchen Schlabach motioned to approve the minutes of the November meeting with minor editorial changes. Freyja Johns seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Senior Warden Report

The nominating committee is in place and is soliciting nominations for Vestry, Junior Warden and delegates to convention. Collection counting is still a requirement for the Vestry and members are encouraged to sign up to count. Christmas collection counting is particularly important...thanks to Jennie and Freyja for agreeing to count on this day.

Junior Warden Report

Roof leaks are fixed and basement water issues remain. Remedies for the basement are being considered by the B&G Committee.

Magnetic Church

David Anderson reported that the committee is considering new name tags, new Voice from the Pew slips, and bags for newcomers.

#### Fellowship

Freyja Johns reported that a meeting will be held on December 21<sup>st</sup> to discuss parish events for January. Also, the committee is considering how to best plan for the budget Q&A and annual meetings.

#### Outreach

Jennie Cummings reported that the food pantry is in extreme need and donations are encouraged. We need two more volunteers from the church to staff the pantry. Solicitations will be made in the bulletin.

#### Music

Lorraine Langer informed the vestry that both the children's and adult choirs will sing on Christmas Eve, albeit at separate services. Both the organ and the piano have been tuned.

#### Stewardship

The committee plans to meet on January 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:10AM at Sweet Dreams.

#### Rector's Report

Rev. Stacy reported that attendance has been excellent over the past few months. Staff reviews are in progress. Norma has been visited and will continue to receive them. Thanks to David and Ellen Anderson for conducting the high school Sunday school class while David Aarons is away.

#### Treasurer's Report

Pat Brown presented the treasurer's report and it was discussed. Motion to receive and file for audit was made by Brad Cripe. Seconded by Mike Duffy. Motion passed unanimously.

Pat Brown also presented the vestry with a change to the housing allowance document for Rev. Stacy, due to an increase in utilities. Discussion followed. Mike Duffy motioned to approve the amended document for 2012, Jennie Cummings seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Old Business

Stephanie Spellers will visit the parish on May 5<sup>th</sup>.  
Keeping God's People Safe training will be held in March.

### New Business

Pat Brown presented the 2012 proposed budget. Discussion followed. Mike Duffy motioned to recommend the budget to the congregation. Jennie Cummings seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

The annual meeting will be held between services on January 29<sup>th</sup>. A budget Q&A will be held on January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Committee reports for the annual meeting should be sent to Satomi as soon as possible.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mike Duffy. Seconded by David Anderson. Motion passed by acclamation. Adjournment at 2:30PM.