

**St. David's Episcopal Church**  
**Vestry Meeting – October 24, 2017**

**Attendees:** Vestry – Colleen Bast, Fred Speyrer, Hal Williams, Julio Alvarez, Orlon Daniels, Lia Bertelson, Lee Hunter, Ama Couch, Jennifer Rust, Robert Ward, Michael Sutton

Non-Vestry – the Rev'd Ken Swanson, Karen Wright, Gary Dunsmore

Not Present, Vestry - Patty Conard

Not Present, Non-Vestry - the Rev'd Anne Elizabeth Swiedler, Rev'd Michelle Ortiz, Rachel Berhannan

**Check Ins:** In accordance with the Parish wide emphasis on sharing salient events, each Vestry member shared a slice of their life since we last met.

**Opening Prayer:** Rev'd Ken Swanson

**Acceptance of Minutes:** Motion to accept the minutes from the September 26, 2017 Vestry meeting, was made by Michael Sutton, seconded by Fred Speyrer.

Motion passed unanimously.

**Spiritual Meditation:** Lee Hunter

**Rectors Update:**

“What if” : St David's Health and Wellness Ministry survey ,

Each Vestry member was asked to review the results of the Health and Wellness Ministry Survey and provide insights or feedback.

Ken indicated he felt the survey identified some target areas that our Health and Wellness Ministry will be able work with.

General comments on the surveys indicate parishioners are happy at St. David's. Most active members raised their children at St. David's. Without children at home it has given those parishioners time to reflect on the meaning of St. David's in their life.

Jennifer noted that more people are interested in some version of mission work. They want to be more involved in the community, have more opportunities to reach out to the community.

In order to have a broader participation of the congregation completing surveys, Colleen Bast shared an idea from her daughter with a way to capture the younger demographic, suggesting that we greet parishioners arriving at Sunday services and ask them to complete a short questionnaire. This would provide an opportunity to complete the survey at that time.

David Bacon requested that the Vestry focus on developing some action items related to the Parish wide survey results. It has also been suggested that the survey results and how the results relate to the vitality of St. David's be presented at the Annual Meeting.

Youth Search Committee and Katie's Gala Farwell,

Following the conclusion of the 11:15 AM service on December 17, 2017, there will be a lunch to honor and celebrate Katie McRee's ministry to the youth at St. David's.

Organizing the event will be Michael Sutton as point person, working with Ken and Katie.

A search committee of eight members is being formed to develop a job description for Katie's ministry and responsibilities. Once the job description has been finalized it will be posted on appropriate national search web sites. This committee will review resumes and information about potential candidates, interviewing qualified candidates. Final selections will then be presented to Ken for a decision.

Staffing:

Sue Mitchell Wallace's illness will require a long recovery. During her time of healing, we will have substitute organists, funded by money from the music budget and the Rector's Special Fund.

The Rev Canon John Bolton will be added as Priest Associate to the Clergy staff.

John is eager to become part of St. David's. He will be introduced to the parish on All Saints Sunday, Nov 4, 2017. He will be following the current expectations of a St. David's priest associate, participating in liturgy, teaching, and being responsible for one or two ministries.

**Stewardship:**

Vestry Members and other Stewardship canvassers are currently calling those who have not pledged.

Vestry Nominations 2018 – 2020 Vestry Class:

Pat Daley	Anna MacHarg
Meron Kelly	CaroleAnn Padgett
Jeff Hamling Jr	Steve Fordham
Kristen Acker	Ken Harris
Leonard Ferrand	

The Annual Meeting of the Parish is scheduled for December 17, 2017. All Vestry should attend.

**Sr Warden:**

The Building and Grounds committee members include,

Patty Conard	Meg Green	Dennis Benton
Julio Alvarez	Scott Freeman	

The parish golf cart that provided service transporting parishioners to Jeffords Hall and back to Harrison Hall prior to the installation of the elevator, has retired to the shed. The golf cart has not been used in the last two years. A suggestion was presented that the golf cart and the shed be sold.

A motion was presented by Fred Speyrer to sell the golf cart and the shed.

Lia Bertelson, seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

The December Vestry Meeting will be at Michael Suttons home on Tuesday December 19<sup>th</sup>.

This will be a Christmas gathering with a short meeting, including the new Vestry elect followed by a covered dish meal with a Christmas party ambiance.

The bar will open at 5:00 PM, the meeting will commence at 6:30 PM.

**Jr Warden:**

- Security cameras for the preschool are installed and running. Peggy Fallon is very happy.
- Emergency lighting has been replaced.
- Parking lot lighting has been replaced

**Treasurers Report:** Presented by Gary Dunsmore.

**Financial information:**

Gary Dunsmore explained that the church is mandated to provide equal coverage for every employee that works 1500 hours or more in a year. The mandate states that each employee must be provided individual coverage, also having family coverage offered as an option with the excess cost paid by the employee.

The finance committee evaluated each option offered through Church Insurance Company and recommended an Anthem BCBS BlueCard PPO 80 as the base policy for 2018. Employees may chose a policy that has greater coverage and additional policies, however, the employee would pay the additional premium.

Michael Sutton presented a motion that the Vestry of St. David's Episcopal Church approve a Base Medical Insurance policy, as defined in the Anthem BCBS Bluecard PPO 80 provided by the Diocese of Atlanta 2018 Insurance Plans.

Motion was seconded by Fred Speyrer.

Motion passed unanimously.

**Ministry Liaison Reports:**

All reports that have been presented are in the church Dropbox.

**Old Business:**

Orlon is finalizing the Ministries / Volunteer Opportunities chart and if you have any corrections or changes please provide Orlon with the information as soon as possible.

**New Business:**

None

Fred Speyer moved to adjourn the meeting.

Michael Sutton seconded the motion.

Passed unanimously.

**Closing prayer:** Rev'd Ken Swanson

**November Vestry Meeting:  
Tuesday, November 28, 2017 6:30 PM**