

## St. Matthew's Episcopal Church Vestry Minutes

Tuesday August 18, 2009

Vestry Members in Attendance: Father Michael Richardson, Laurie Gough, Brandon Stewart, Jennifer Tinsley, Chris Hardy, Kim DeJong.

Clerk: Brandon Stewart

Documents Disseminated: Meeting Agenda; St. Matthew's Financial Dashboard as of July 31, 2009. June Vestry Meeting Minutes were distributed by e-mail.

7:30 p.m., Fr. Michael opened the meeting with prayer.

1. **May 2009 Minutes. Jennifer Tinsley moved to approve the minutes with a correction of Rob Myers' name. Passed.**
2. Rector's Report. (Fr. Michael)
  - a. Crop Walk is 10/3. Need one more person for the steering committee.
  - b. Bishop's visit is 9/20.
    - Fr. Michael noted that the bishop will want to discuss with the vestry this year's reduced diocesan pledge (reduced from 8.5% to 5%) when he visits.
    - ECW is preparing a scrapbook of St Matthews' history.
    - Lucy Lord is mailing invites to former members and clergy.
  - c. Vestry needs to appoint a nominating committee for new vestry members replacing the outgoing members.
  - d. Kipper DeGarve will facilitate a Christian Ed. brainstorming meeting. Meeting time TBD.
  - e. Kim D. will lead acolyte training 8/29 at noon.
  - f. Stewardship
    - Fr. Michael will send out a stewardship letter September.
    - Pledge cards will be sent in early October.
    - A reminder letter will go out in early November.
    - Tom C. and Kandy H. are trying to get more people involved.
  - g. Youth Group is planning the following fundraisers:
    - Christmas wreaths, with the money raised used to sponsor families via Parker Task Force.
    - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, with the money raised used toward the general fund.**Jennifer Tinsley moved to approve these fundraisers. Passed.**

3. Annual Fundraiser (Jennifer T.)

- Will be held 7-9:30 pm on 11/7
- Theme is “Evening of Divine Deserts and Wine”
- Silent auction and live auction

**Jennifer Tinsley moved to approve the annual fundraiser as presented.  
Passed.**

4. Finance Report (Fr. Michael)

- Year-to-date balance is (\$9,071). While still behind, we are ahead of where we were last year.

5. Rental of facilities by Parker United Church of Christ (Fr. Michael)

- Parker United Church of Christ would like to rent our facilities on Sunday evenings beginning at 6:30 pm. Initial rent proposal is \$1000 per month. Much discussion followed and will continue via email.

**6. Laurie G. moved to adjourn. Passed. Meeting closed at 8:35 pm.**