

St James Episcopal Church
Minutes of Vestry Meeting-Amended
April 19, 2023

Present: Alan White, Linda Sanders, Terry Kline, Mary Lu Gunn, Chris Adams, Bethany Weisner, Father Sam Buice, Jim Wallis

Call to Order: Alan called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Formation: Kathleen - Peace Rooted in love. All we do should come from the love of our Lord and our neighbors. St James always tries to be an example of that.

Information:

- Stewardship: Is having a meeting on Wednesday with Father Sam, Bill Bomar, Shelley, Marcus, Linda and Jenny.
- Junior Warden Report: **Fire Monitoring** – All Pro has sent a contract. Several things will have to happen, some are costly and are being looked into. WIFI- streaming is a real issue and is being worked on. Evan has been working to see options. Parish Hall lights, it has been hard getting Hunter Electric. Bethany has contacts for both security and electric. The window in the Parish **House** has to be fixed ASAP.
- Mary Lauren has accepted a position at Rabun Gap. Alan suggested there is a discussion with her about doing something with the children.
- Worship Committee: Met on 3/20 for Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter. All went well. Decision made that Lector will read the Psalm. Pentecost is May 28th, one service at 10:30 and Congregational Picnic to follow in Parish Hall. They will meet on May 10th and then at end of July. No Lectionary in July. We will have supply priests some in summer. Back up for Sunday would be Morning Prayer. Father Sam said Vestry committed to Bishop that we would use

common cup with intinction by Priest. Worship Committee said no but Vestry should vote.

- Vestry Membership Covenant – Discussed computer-based training for “Safeguarding God’s People”, “Safeguarding God’s Children” and Dismantling Racism Training”. Discussed Mission Statement.

Jim presented a Financial Summary-YTD income is over budget and expenses are under with the caveat that we budgeted for a part time priest not an interim.

Mary Lu made a motion to receive the Financial Summary. Linda seconded. Passed unanimously.

Chris made a motion to approve the March minutes. Bethany seconded. Passed unanimously.

Linda made a motion to allow us to ask Congregation to help migrant workers for a special project for First Impressions Clothing Ministry. Bethany seconded. Passed unanimously.

Alan made a motion that we begin serving communion with intinction by Priest on Pentecost. Mary Lu seconded. Chris abstained.

Linda made a motion to adjourn. Chris seconded. Passed unanimously.

Meeting closed with a prayer at 2:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Johnson

