

Christ Episcopal Church, Rockville, MD
Vestry Minutes
January 24, 2023 7:00-8:30 pm via Zoom

Present: Father Tim Carr (Rector), Emily Pearce (Senior Warden), Matthew Salter (Junior Warden), Bryant Trost (Clerk), Emily Correll, Peter McCabe, Rose Buck, Jeremy Snider, Charlie Griffiths (Treasurer), Victor Ban, Moss Kendrix

The meeting commenced at 7:00 pm. Opening blessings were provided.

Previous Business.

On December 9th the vestry held a virtual vote to approve Christ Episcopal Church as a Charter Organization for Scouts BSA Troop 447 and Pack 928. Charlie Griffiths will be the Charter Organization Representative.

The agenda for the January meeting was approved by unanimous vote.

The November meeting minutes were discussed and there was a motion to approve the minutes as submitted, which was seconded and passed.

November and December financial reports were discussed there was a motion to approve the reports as submitted, which was seconded and passed.

The Head of School report was briefed by Emily Pearce. The CES annual Gala will be held on March 18 at Manor Country Club.

2023 Budget/Stewardship

The budget was discussed using \$710k in pledge and other income as a planning basis. At the request of the Rector, a planning figure of \$731k (a 5% increase) was used to revise the planned budget. In order for Vestry members to consider this requested planning increase, it was moved, seconded and approved to hold a separate budget meeting in early February.

Scout Sunday

Scout Sunday will be held on March 5th. Charlie will work with our Scout organizations to coordinate participation in this service.

Rector's Update

- Father Tim provided an overview of planned Candlemas service with home blessings to follow.
- Ash Wednesday ash distribution will include Rockville Metro, the CES drop-off line, and 8:00 for CES, 8:30 at CEC, 12:00 at CEC and 7:30 at CEC.
- Breakfast with the Easter Bunny will be on April First in the CEC dining room.
- Holy Week Services will include:
 - Tuesday Tenebrae
 - Maundy Thursday
 - Good Friday at Noon, 3:00 pm and 7:00 pm,
 - Easter vigil at 7:00 pm on April 8

Easter at sunrise, 9:00 (young children) and 10:00 am

- The Pastoral Care Ministry is being revised to ensure more effective scheduling of home visits and outreach by clergy and lay members of the committee.
- The Adult Education Program has been revised and forum topics have been scheduled for 2023.
- A part-time (10 hrs/week) Youth and Family program director has been hired and a program has been developed for 2023.

Property Report.

The Junior Warden discussed recent facility repairs, the most significant of which include replacement of the parish house boiler and associated piping, repairs to the heating system in the church and repairs to the heating system controls. Due to the irregular and unbudgeted nature of these expenses, it was moved that they be paid for by an endowment income distribution. It was moved, seconded and approved that \$46,542.44 of endowment income be allocated for heating system repairs. This was the first vote of approval and a second vote will be required during the February meeting.

Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting will be held on April 16th.

The nominating committee for new vestry members will include off-going vestry members and Father Tim. A vestry retreat will be held on April 29th.

The next vestry meeting will be held on February 28 via Zoom.

A closing prayer was offered.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting.