

**St. James Anglican Church
Vestry Workshop
7:00 PM August 6, 2020**

ZOOM MEETING

Vestry Members Present via Zoom: Rev. Brian Schulz, Rector, David Chapman, Senior Warden, Bob Kirkland, Jr. Warden, Margie Armstrong, Clerk, Wayland Augur, Jim Dale, Don Flick, Karen Lorenz, and Marta McLaughlin.

Vestry Members Absent: Marcia Kear

Others present: None

The meeting was call to order at 7:00 PM.

I. Opening Prayer and Devotion - Pastor Brian

a. 2 Chronicles 5: 2-14

- i. First seven chapters of Chronicles tells about the making of the temple. What happened when the people started to sing in unison and the trumpeters played? The Holy Spirit came and filled the temple. The presence of the Lord was powerful. God loves it when others praise him.
- ii. How do we change the spiritual atmosphere? What is the opposite of praise? Complaining and not focusing on God.
- iii. Practice the Lord's presence and praise the Lord together to change the spiritual atmosphere.
- iv. How can the Vestry help make it better? Let's stop and praise God. Teach the congregation to do this. It will change the atmosphere in the church.
- v. Praise the Lord for who God is, what He has done.

II. Approval of Vestry Minutes 07/23/20

- a. Motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Bob Kirkland and seconded by Marta McLaughlin. Motion passed.

III. Building Search Committee Update was given by Dave Chapman

- a. 3 years from now, we will be able to renew our current lease for an additional 3 years.

- b. Or move to a new building
- c. Or sublease space from existing church
- d. Or purchase a piece of property
- e. Or sublease to another church. If we sublet to another church,
 - i. Pro - Significant new source of income
 - ii. May allow us to stay until June 1, 2026 (six years from now)
 - iii. Con - St. James becomes a landlord
 - iv. Accommodate the tenant and provide office space
- f. At this time, High Tower has a church that is interested in subletting from us.

Motion to approve High Tower as the Lease Representative Agent for St. James was made by Dave Chapman and Jim Dale seconded. Motion carried.

IV. Diocese of Western Anglicans Synod Delegate Election –

- a. Synod will be held on Sat. Oct. 24 8:30 am – 12 noon via Zoom.
- b. Karen Lorenz, and Marta McLaughlin would like to be delegates.
- c. Cheri Dale has volunteered to be an alternate.
- d. Pastor Brian will ask the following people if they would be interested in serving as a delegate: Jeremy Davis, Terri Boykin, and Dave Chapman as an alternate

V. Livestream Equipment Update –

- a. Bob Kirkland reported that the equipment is being shipped.
- b. Henry will build a shelf for the new equipment.

VI. Building Improvement Committee Update

- a. New lighting in Trane Hall has been installed with a dimmer switch.
- b. Looking to install wallpaper on the coffee bar.
- c. We need more lighting in the sanctuary. Bob Kirkland is working on the lighting. He and Marta McLaughlin will zoom with the decorating committee to discuss the lighting in the sanctuary.

VII. Outside Signage Update

- a. We have gotten more bids on signage.
- b. Waiting for one more bid.
- c. New bids are more expensive than the first bid. Be praying about it.

VIII. Chapel / Columbarium Plan

- a. Quiet space for reflection
- b. Healing ministry
- c. People could reserve the chapel.
- d. We are planning to repaint the walls, install rugs, lamps, and decoration on the walls
- e. Columbarium will be moved into the chapel
- f. We are contacting the families who have reserved spots and those who have family members in the columbarium.
- g. We would like to consecrate the chapel by Bishop Keith.
- h. There will be a special celebration after the Covid-19 pandemic is over.

IX. Coronavirus Update for Orange County.

- a. Cumulative cases in Orange County to date is 38,711.
- b. Daily Covid-19 positive cases is 580.
- c. Testing positive 8%
- d. Cumulative Deaths to Date is 697
- e. Hospitalization rate is decreasing -5.1%
- f. ICU patients is 171.
- g. When can we open the church?

X. Executive Session –

XI. Meeting was adjourned at 9:42 PM.

XII. Closing Prayer was given by Wayland Augur.

Respectively submitted,

Margie Armstrong, Clerk of the Vestry

Upcoming Events

Vestry meetings: first and third Thursdays at 7:00 PM each month
Finance Committee meetings: third Wednesday at 7:00 PM each month

Next Vestry meeting: August 20, 2020 at 7:00 PM
Next Finance Committee meeting: August 19, 2020 at 7:00 PM

Diocese of Western Anglicans Annual Synod:
Saturday, October 24, 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM Zoom call