

**St. Peter's Vestry Meeting
April 18, 2011**

Attendance:

Clergy – The Reverend Denzil Luckritz, Rector

Officers – Ron Reed, Senior Warden; Carole Dwyer, Junior Warden; Chuck Gasior, Treasurer; Maureen Tempesta, Clerk

Vestry – Gerard Armstrong, Mary Beebe, Jud Breslin, Jeff Callard, Neil Forster, Barbara Spillane

Excused – Linda Dill, Nancy Karami

Senior Warden Ron Reed called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m. Father Denzil led us in the St. Peter's Campaign Prayer.

Motion: that the minutes of the March Vestry meeting as well as the minutes of the special April 12, 2011 Vestry meeting be accepted as written. Carried

I. Rector's Report – Father Denzil

- Sunday attendance has been steady.
- The Palm Sunday service was successful despite the donkey's absence and some inability to hear the processional hymn as the choir and congregation moved from the garden into the church.
- There will only be two priests on the altar during the ten o'clock service from now on. Each priest will be absent liturgically from the altar once each month. On holidays, however, the three clergy will be on the altar.
- Denzil continues to work with Ed, our new bookkeeper, to get procedures on line with the national church.
- The counting policy and procedures need to be reviewed.
- Carole, Alison and Ed have organized the expense files for the current year.
- Denzil is trying to make some home visits but he demands of the building campaign have directed much of his time usage.
- Ron Reed and Denzil will meet with Bishop Tom Shaw during the first week in June.
- Denzil met with the nursery school board to discuss probable changes the building project will necessitate for the school's facilities. He made it clear to them that unfortunately there will be no money available to facilitate their temporary move. He also told them that they will not return to the St. Peter's facility without a real contract based on an evaluation of what the school costs St. Peter's each year. The building campaign will not have access to the present or former parent lists for solicitation. He recommended that as a sign of good faith the Vestry allow Bill McLean to meet with nursery school leaders to advise them about fundraising and the availability of grants.
- An Inquirers Group will be started in the fall. Denzil has ordered many good materials for the group.

Motion: That the Vestry allow Bill McLean of Graham Pelton to spend consulting time up to five hours with the nursery school. Carried: 8 yes/ 2 no

Motion: That the Vestry table parochial report approval until the May meeting. Carried.

II. Capital Campaign – Jud Breslin

- The campaign is right on track to success at this time.. A spread sheet has been prepared to track the contributions to the campaign. Specific figures are confidential to the campaign committee.

III. Stewardship

- Pledging units for 2011 remain 122 compared with 127 in 2010.

IV. Nominating Committee – Neil Forster (Attachment)

- The Warrant for the Annual Meeting will be posted early in May.

Motion: That the slate reported by the Nominating Committee be accepted. Carried.

V. Property Committee – Mary Beebe (Attachment)

- The biggest concern expressed by the committee was the need to fireproof the draperies in the parish hall and the question of whether or not the Nursery School has complied with the regulations.
- The process of dismantling and storing the organ was explained in an e-mail to the Vestry.

Motion: That the Vestry engage John Bishop to dismantle the organ no earlier than June 20, 2011 and reconstruct it when the nave construction is complete. Carried.

- VI.** On May 14 the Mens' Group will sponsor a quick breakfast followed by a clean-up of the cottage grounds. Will Beebe will be foreman of the project.

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m. Maureen Tempesta offered the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Tempesta, Clerk