In attendance: Fr. Kresowaty, Carolyn Dobbs, Kathy Jones, Tim Cox, John Banks, Chris Troutt, Jim Rhea, Jim Sutton, Darrell Glidewell, Steve Altman, and Diane Hartley.

Absent: Peggy Pate and Susan Hekman

Fr. Kresowaty called meeting to order with prayer at 7:04

Approval of Minutes

The minutes for February had not yet been submitted to the Vestry for approval.

Rector's Report

Summer is coming and all vestry committees are encouraged to think towards the fall in order to have well planned and executed events.

The parochial report is completed and summarizes parish statistics. The diocesan assessment is based on the information in the parochial report.

Fr. K distributed the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth "Policies on Ethics and Integrity in Ministry" for each vestry member to include in their Vestry Books. This policy is a work in progress but defines a code of ethics for all clergy and laity.

Jon Jenkins will be presented for ordination as deacon on Saturday, March 18, 2006. The Rev. Jenkins will preach at St. Alban's Episcopal Church, Sunday, March 19, 2006.

<u>Newcomers – Diane Hartley and Peggy Pate</u>

Newcomers, Greeters, and Bridge to Membership committees have been organized into a Discipleship Ministry. March 5 a "Get Acquainted" lunch was held for recent newcomers hosted by the Haagen and Altman families with about 32 in attendance.

Fr. Matkin is working on a new color brochure for the newcomers.

<u>Events – Fr. Kresowaty</u>

March 18 – John Jenkins ordination to the diaconate "Come Thirsty" on Wednesday in Lent Parish Campout is planned for March 31 – April 2

Events coming up:

April 10 – St. Alban's Episcopal School Booster Club Fund Raising Golf Tournament Holy Week Service Times Palm Sunday (8:00 am and 10:30 am) Holy Week Monday (6:00 pm) Holy Week Tuesday (6:00 pm) Holy Week Wednesday (6:00 pm) Maundy Thursday Seder Dinner (6:00 pm) Maundy Thursday Holy Eucharist (8:00 pm) Maundy Thursday Watch Begins (9:30 pm) Good Friday Morning Prayer (7:00 am) Good Friday Stations of the Cross (12:00 noon) Mass of the Pre-Sanctified (8:00 pm) Holy Saturday Easter Vigil and Baptism (8:00 pm) Easter Day Holy Eucharist (7:00 am) Easter Day Holy Eucharist, Contemporary (9:00 am, Parish Hall) Easter Day Holy Eucharist (9:00, Church) Easter Day Holy Eucharist (11:00, Church) There will be no 5:30 pm service held on Easter Day.

<u>May</u> Graduation

June Vacation Bible School St. Michael's Conference

Worship Committee – Tim Cox and Peggy Pate

• No report

Christian Education – Diane Hartley and Kathy Jones

- Classes are going well. No class on Easter Day. We would like to see more families participate in the 9:00-9:15am Praise Time and arrive at class on time at 9:15/9:20am.
- We have an urgent need for another PREK/Kindergarten teacher.
- It is time to begin recruiting Sunday School and Youth teachers for 2006-2007.
- Wed. Lenten Soup and Study is going quite well. We've had 51-59 having soup the first two weeks ; 44-70 participated in first two studies.

Youth Ministry – Diane Hartley and Peggy Pate

• No report

Pastoral Care – Diane Hartley and Peggy Pate

• No report

Outreach and Mission – Diane Hartley

• The St. Alban's Episcopal Church Outreach brochure needs to be updated

<u>School Committee Report – Jim Rhea</u>

• The proceeds from the school auction totaled \$45,000

Treasurer's Report – John Banks/Wendell Rosales

- Pledge and Plate income for January ran well below expectations but appears \$17,602.95 above monthly budget due to many pledges being pre-paid for the year.
- February income ran \$2,555.93 below budget for the month.

Stewardship Committee – Kathy Jones

Stewardship Statistics for the 18th campaign week (3/13 to 3/17/06):

- Number of pledges received 224 (which represents an increase of 33 pledges over 2005 and is the largest number received in the last five years. Thanks be to God!).
- Total amount of pledges received \$510,626.00
- Average Pledge \$2,313.87
- 29 of the 224 pledges received for 2006 are new pledges (did not pledge in 2005)

No meeting was held in March. The next Stewardship Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 5, 2006 at 7 p.m.

Junior Warden's Report

- Church is being kept clean and painted
- Termites in the Sacristy have been treated
- Contracts for air conditioning and lawn maintenance are being reviewed

Communications Committee – Carolyn Dobbs and Susan Hekman

• Church YahooGroup is being updated and is accessible through the church website.

Chancellor's Report – Chris Troutt

• Still working on the tax exempt issue

Development Committee Report – John Banks and Darrell Glidewell

• No report

Nominations & Personnel – Diane Hartley and Carolyn Dobbs

• No report

<u>Secretaries Report – Fr. Matkin</u>

- Average Sunday attendance for February 2006: 330
- Transfers in: 6
- Baptisms: 1
- Marriages: 0
- Transfers out: 1
- Births: 0
- Deaths: 0

Old Business

Capital Funds Drive

Update/Proposal on 4th Street Property/Kitchen/Church/AC, etc.

The Finance Committee has recommended that the Senior Warden be authorized to initiate the refinancing of current debt and the borrowing of \$75,000. All approved.

Pictorial Directory and Computer Program

The Vestry needs to get its picture taken for the new Pictorial Directory.

Web Page Costs

Carolyn Dobbs moved that St. Alban's Episcopal Church enter into a contract with a web site independent contractor for \$500.00 per month on a month-to-month basis. Chris Troutt seconded. All approved.

Icon Purchase

The icon "Root of Jesse" has been ordered from Greece. The icon is a gift from the Parish for the new rector.

New Business

Parochial Report

John Banks moved to accept the submitted Parochial Report. Jim Sutton seconded. All approved.

Chess Tournament

Steve Altman and Wendell Rosales outlined a plan for St. Alban's to host the Arlington Classics Academy (ACA) chess tournament on Saturday, May 6, 2006. The event would be open to K-12th grade members on the U. S. Chess Federation and will be an outreach opportunity for the church. The event will occupy the parish hall and some classrooms all day that Saturday. A few volunteers are needed to provide directions for up to 100 contestants and parents. ACA will split the gate with St. Alban's that could net the church \$600.

Other

Next Wednesday, March 22, the Vestry will host the Lenten Dinner.

Fr. Kresowaty closed with prayer at 9:40.

Respectfully submitted by,

Marguerite (Lisa) M. Glasgow Vestry Clerk