In attendance: Fr. Kresowaty, Steve Altman, Carolyn Dobbs, Darrell Glidewell, Jim Rhea, Susan Hekman, Diane Hartley, Kathy Jones, Peggy Pate, John Banks, Ron Horton, Chris Troutt, Fr. Matkin

- Absent: Tim Cox, Wendell Rosales
- Fr. Kresowaty called meeting to order with prayer at 7:00.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the September Vestry meeting were approved via email.

## **Rector's Report**

• Fr. Kresowaty is preparing a pastoral response to the questions that have arisen relative to giving to The Episcopal Church.

## Newcomers - Diane Hartley and Peggy Pate

- In October the Newcomers have had three people stay for Newcomers Class following the 10:30 service. All three mentioned as their reason for coming to the class that this was such a friendly church where several people had spoken to them and made them feel welcome.
- A second "Walk-A-Bout" tour is scheduled for Sunday the 29<sup>th</sup>. Father Matkin will lead the tour and will reserve the option to have more or use the Newcomer members as docents if needed.

## <u>Events – Fr. Matkin</u>

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**OCTOBER** 29 Walk-a-bout Tour of Church

NOVEMBER
1 Family Night / All Saints' Day
2 All Souls' Day
7-10 Kountry Kitchen
11 Auction at SAES
12 Bishop's Visitation at SAEC (Baptism, Confirmation, Reception)
17-18 Diocesan Convention at St. Peter & Paul, Arlington

18 Kiwanis Chili Cook-off

19 First Communion
22 Thanksgiving Eve – Eucharist at 7:00 p.m.
26 (No Sunday School – fellowship in the Parish Hall)

**DECEMBER** 2 Quiet Day in preparation for Advent at SAEC 3 Advent Lessons and Carols – followed by dinner in the Parish Hall 12-14 School Buying Days at the Bookstore 17 Christmas Pageant 24 9:00 a.m. service and Christmas Eve services

## Worship Committee – Tim Cox and Peggy Pate

- The Daughters of the King currently has 12 members, 7 of whom are actively attending meetings.
- Meetings are held in the conference room at 11:30 am every second Saturday of the month.
- Will begin a new instruction class next month, and will conclude it in February or March.
- Looking for a group service project in keeping with charter policy of prayer and service.

## Christian Education – Diane Hartley and Kathy Jones

- Sunday morning classes meet each Sunday in November, except Nov. 12th and 26<sup>th</sup>. Nov 12<sup>th</sup>, Bishop Iker will be here and a reception for he and the confirmation candidates will take place 9:15-10:15am. Nov. 26th is Thanksgiving weekend and there will be fellowship in the Parish Hall during the Christian Education hour.
- Early/First Communion classes WILL meet on Nov. 12th. Their Communion will be at the 10:30am service on Nov. 19th. Beginning Nov. 26th, First graders will join the 2nd and 3rd graders for Sunday School classes.
- Youth seem to be enjoying fellowship from 9am-9:25 in Youth Room 15 prior to going upstairs for their Sunday morning classes. Volunteers are needed to bring 2 dozen donuts for them each week.
- November 1st will be FIRST WEDNESDAY PARISH NIGHT celebrating 'All Saints' Day. The evening includes Evening prayer, Eucharist, Children/Adult Choirs, dinner, and program for all ages. (5:45pm-8pm). Vestry support is very appreciated for these Parish-wide events.
- CE budget requests were turned in for VBS, CE: Children and Youth, CE: Adult.

## Youth Ministry – Diane Hartley and Peggy Pate

October Events for Teenagers (7th - 12th Grade):

Wednesday, October 25 Trunk or Treat

## Pastoral Care – Diane Hartley and Peggy Pate

Stephen Ministry currently has 12 caregivers and 7 care receivers. One member plans to attend leader training next year.

There are currently 11 trained hospital visitors and 4 alternates. Each person visits twice a month, on average.

There are currently 12 Lay Eucharistic Ministers who visit an average of 5-6 shut-ins every other Sunday.

## **Outreach and Mission – Diane Hartley**

- The annual Advent Project will start early November. Information will be in the newsletter.
- Fellowship of Aged to Perfection has an average number of 15 members attending each meeting.
- Add Canterbury report summarize
- St. Alban's Angels will combine teams to have larger teams to meet the needs of the parish.
- Dinners for Eight begins in November.
- Kountry Kitchen is November 7-11. Adults are \$7.00.
- Bookstore is preparing for Christmas.

## School Committee Report – Jim Rhea

- School financial plans were discussed in closed session.
- Meetings will take place at the school in October. Parishioners are invited.
- 266 students are currently enrolled at the school.

#### Treasurer's Report – John Banks/Wendell Rosales

- Pledge and Plate income for September was \$46,756.50, when corrected for annual prepaid pledges totaled \$49,239.83, slightly above the budgeted amount of \$46,910.00.
- September expenses were \$58,098.51 (budgeted \$53,937.91).
- The Fr. Ray Woods Endowment account has been closed. The funds were mailed to the Union gospel Mission with a letter from Diane Hartley.

## <u>Stewardship Committee – Kathy Jones and Susan Hekman</u>

- There were 95 adults and 4 children in attendance at the September 30<sup>th</sup> Wine and Cheese fellowship event in the parish hall (compared to approximately 120 in 2006 at SAES). In order to make an expanded appeal for parish support, the committee recommends a seated dinner event in the fall of 2007 to kick-off the pledge campaign for 2008. The committee also suggests scheduling the event earlier in the evening: 5 p.m. 7 p.m.
- On October 10, 2006, the Committee mailed 363 letters/pledge cards to parishioners requesting a pledge to the church operating fund for 2007.
- As of October 25, 2006, the second week of ingathering, there were 95 pledge cards received for 2007, totaling \$260,888.00, with the average pledge totaling \$2,746.19.
- The final sermon in the God's Harvest series will be given on Sunday, October 29, 2006, followed by the second ingathering of pledges.

## Junior Warden's Report

- An anonymous donation covered the total amount of mulch for the playground, which has been spread.
- Junior Warden is reviewing bids from various companies on cleaning, lawn maintenance and air conditioning/heating systems.
- An electrician has inspected the kitchen outlets to be sure everything is working well and to determine if a new freezer can be installed.
- The Kitchen Committee received a large donation for purchasing another freezer and is shopping for one.
- Junior Warden is taking estimates on the cost of purchasing or leasing a new ice maker for the kitchen.
- Fred Woehr replaced the rotten wood in the ceiling of the overhang, painted it and the light fixtures.

#### **Communications Committee – Carolyn Dobbs and Susan Hekman**

The names and phone numbers of the delegates to Diocesan Convention have been published in Sunday bulletins, The Legate and on the church website.

#### **Chancellor's Report – Chris Troutt**

No report

## **Development Committee Report – John Banks and Darrell Glidewell**

No report

## Nominations & Personnel – Diane Hartley and Carolyn Dobbs

The Nominations Committee is actively calling potential vestry candidates. Four candidates have already agreed to be considered.

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

- Average Sunday attendance for 2006 YTD: 336
- Transfers in: 1
- Baptisms: 0
- Marriages: 1
- Transfers out: 1
- Births: 0
- Deaths: 0

#### Old Business

- 1) Capital Funds Drive no progress on contracting with a vendor for a parish survey
- 2) 4<sup>th</sup> Street Property no word from UTA
- 3) Victory Fund and Mortgage payments as debt reduction no progress
- 4) Diocesan Policy on donations to The Episcopal Church—deadline is December not October.

## New Business

- 1) 2007 Budget-not all requests are in yet
- 2) Other

#### **Closing Prayer and Adjournment**

Fr. Kresowaty closed with prayer at 9:37.

Respectfully submitted by,

Carolyn Dobbs