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In attendance: Fr. Kresowaty, Sara Beall, Rick Coombs, Sheryl Fritz, Ty Head, Sue Hogg, Richard Stolley, Jim Swann, Stephen Vinson, Jody Gittiban, Jim Ray

Absent: Doug Hosea, Bob Yarger

Also attending: Fr. Duncan, Bill Richardson-Treasurer, Susan Kennemer-Clerk

Fr. Kresowaty called the meeting to order with prayer at 7:03 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes**

- The Minutes of the September Vestry meeting were approved via email.

**Rector's Report**

- Canon Heidt is in the hospital in grave condition. Prayers are requested.
- Julie Todd and Kate Grigal will co-chair Kountry Kitchen in November. They have set up a web site, [www.kountrykitchen.org](http://www.kountrykitchen.org), to keep people updated on this event. Cards will be available for distribution to friends to invite them to Kountry Kitchen. To expand the availability for people to attend, the event will be held from Tuesday to Saturday, with hopes of making \$4,000 this year. Proceeds are designated to outreach.
- Various forms of advertising Lessons and Carols include WRR radio and Fort Worth Texas magazine. Fr. Duncan presented a package for the radio ad spots.

**A motion was made by Jim Swann, seconded by Jim Ray, to authorize \$1750 for 21 thirty- to sixty-second spots on WRR radio for Lessons and Carols, and Christmas services. The motion passed unanimously.** Richard Stolley volunteered to record the radio spots.

- The Brotherhood of St. Andrew is meeting and planning future events.
- Report on people currently in the hospital.
- The current Mass setting at the 10:30am Sunday service will remain until Advent when the service reverts to Rite I.
- Elizabeth Duncan is now heading up the Nursery.

**Treasurer's Report/Finance Committee – Bill Richardson; Bob Yarger, Sara Beall**

- Pledge and plate receipts in September were \$5,400 favorable to budget; other income items were close to budgeted amounts.
- Year to date giving is \$39,700 favorable to budget.
- Outlook for October is strong; we have already exceeded the budgeted pledge and plate amount by \$4,800 and we have one more Sunday to go.
- Monthly expenses for September were \$5,200 favorable. This is despite payment of building insurance one month earlier than budgeted.
- Year to date, total expenses are \$43,200 favorable. We can expect this trend to continue for the remaining months of the year.
- The annual budgeted deficit is unfavorable at \$170,000 but so far we have picked up \$82,900 against this deficit.
- The only notable payment from dedicated accounts in September was a \$5,900 payment from the Organ Fund for continuing work by Ross King.
- Mortgage refinancing delays continue for various reasons. Communications with the bank will continue in hopes to resolve any problems in paperwork requested. Some legal consultation on our part may be needed.

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**Newcomer's Report: Rick Coombs, Jim Swann, Jim Ray**

Three people were taken out to lunch on the second Sunday of October.

**Events** *Bold type indicates parish-wide event*

OCTOBER 2009

- 3     **Blessing of the Animals**
- 3     Prayers and Squares meet at 9:00am
- 4     **Bishop Iker's visitation – Confirmation/Baptism, potluck luncheon after 10:30 service**
- 8     Stewardship meeting – Room 10, 7:00pm
- 9-11   Teenage youth group - rural mission trip
- 10    Stand-up Parenting – Parish Hall, 8:30am
- 10    Daughters of the King – Conference Room, 9:15am
- 13    Stephen Minister meeting – Room 10, 7:00pm
- 17    Brotherhood of St. Andrew – Parish Hall 8:00am
- 17    Order of St. Luke – Parlor, 9:00am
- 18    Grande Ultreya – St. Peter & St. Paul
- 25    Youth Sunday
- 31    Halloween – **Trunk 'n Treat at 6:00pm**

NOVEMBER 2009

- 1     All Saints' Day
- 2     **All Soul's Day, HE and Commemoration of the dead service at 10:00am and 6:30pm**
- 3     Palanca Placemat Party – Room 10, 8:00pm
- 6-7   Diocesan Convention – St. Peter and St. Paul
- 8     Welcome Home, Cursillo #280 – Parish Hall, 6:30pm
- 10-14 **Kountry Kitchen, Parish Hall**
- 10    Stephen Minister meeting – Room 10, 7:00pm
- 12    Stewardship Meeting – Room 10, 7:30pm
- 14    Prayers & Squares – Room 10, 9:00am
- 14    Daughters of the King – Conference Room, 9:15am
- 15    First Communion Sunday
- 18    Holy Hour, 6:00pm
- 21    Order of St. Luke – Parlor, 9:00am
- 25    **Thanksgiving Eve Service at 7:00pm**
- 26    Thanksgiving Day, church office closed
- 27    Thanksgiving holiday, church office closed
- 29    **Craft Project during Christian Education Hour, 9:15am**

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- 4     Boy Scout benefit dinner – Parish Hall, 6:00pm
- 5     Advent Project – Parish Hall, 9:00am
- 5     Prayers & Squares – Room 10, 9:00am
- 5     **Lessons and Carols, potluck dinner following in the Parish Hall, 5:30pm**

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- 8 Stephen Minister meeting – Room 10, 7:00pm
- 10 Stewardship meeting – Room 10, 7:30pm
- 12 Daughters of the King – Conference Room, 9:15am
- 12 Advent Project – Parish Hall, 9:00am
- 16 Holy Hour, 6:00pm
- 19 Advent Project – Parish Hall, 9:00am – handing out Christmas boxes
- 19 Order of St. Luke – Parlor, 9:00am
- 20 Teenage Youth Group to go Caroling
- 24 **Christmas Eve services: 5:30pm, Rite II; 8:00pm – Rite II; 10:30pm, Rite I with incense**
- 25 **Christmas Day – Mass at 10:00am; Church Office Closed**
- 30 Fr. Duncan's Birthday
- 31 Fr. Kresowaty's Birthday
- 28-Jan 1 Church Office Closed

**Worship Committee – Jim Ray, Steve Vinson, Richard Stolley, Sheryl Fritz**

Flower Guild

Marjorie Roesler reports everything is running smoothly as she has great volunteers who do wonderful work.

Children's Liturgy

Rebecca Brown said that things were better than ever with pews and new furnishings. She has an average of 10 children each Sunday. She would like help in starting a weekly collection of offerings with the hope that monthly the children could present their offering during the traditional church service. A note was sent home with the children, but the response has been minimal. It leads her to believe that somehow the message is not being conveyed. She asked if perhaps Father K could make an announcement at Church to make sure the parents are aware of their junior stewardship program.

**Christian Education – Sara Beall, Sue Hogg, Jim Ray**

No report. Susie Wheaton is out of town due to the death of her mother.

**Youth Ministry/Family Ministry – Fr. Duncan**

Teenage Youth Group

On Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> our youth had a wonderful time seeing old friends and making new ones at the St. Michael's Conference Reunion at Church of the Holy Apostles. We're all ready for the St. Michael's Conference, 2010. If you are interested in supporting this wonderful ministry for our teens, please think about giving money towards St. Mike's scholarships, or sending interested teens my way.

This fall our teens have also continued our discussion series entitled "Your Questions, God's Answers" aimed at answering some of the questions about life and faith that teens have today.

Upcoming Events:

- Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup> – Trunk N' Treat Car Decorating @ 3:00pm
- Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup> – Bowling Night @ Alley Cats

Junior Youth Group (ages 8-12)

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This fall we've been discussing generosity and the importance of giving to those in need. At our last meeting we decorated donation boxes which will be put out in the entry way. This coming Sunday we will finish decorating those boxes, so that once the boxes are decorated the congregation will be invited to bring hygiene products such as soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothbrushes or toothpaste to put in them. These will then be donated to one of our local missions.

Upcoming Events:

- Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> – Junior Youth Group Meeting @ 12:15pm

Caritas (20s and 30s ministry)

Caritas had a great night of fellowship on September 25<sup>th</sup> with Latin food at Mi Tierra and a Latin themed concert at Levitt Pavilion. That night we were also blessed to have some of our parishioners donate their time to babysit for our 20s and 30s saving them the cost of hiring someone. Special thanks go to Sue Hogg for coordinating those babysitters, and all those who volunteered.

Upcoming Caritas Events:

- Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> – Caritas "Dinner at the Duncan's"
- Saturday, November 21<sup>st</sup> – Caritas Thanksgiving Potluck

Canterbury Association

The Canterbury Association has now had three meetings, with new college students coming to each meeting. We've also had a good response to our open door study time on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11am to 4pm. This has provided a quiet place for a few students to come and study during the day.

Upcoming Events

- Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup> – Canterbury Meeting
- Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> – Canterbury Meeting

Up-Coming Events:

This Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> :  
Youth Sunday (10:30am Mass)  
Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup>:  
Trunk N' Treat (5:30pm-7:30pm)

**Pastoral Care – Sue Hogg, Richard Stolley**

Stephen Ministry

Keith Higham reported Stephen Ministry has no need for any more money as they have roughly \$1400 available for training costs. At the time the only possible candidate is Ben Doerge. He is still negotiating with Ben to see if his schedule will allow his participation.

Lay Eucharistic Visitors

There are ample numbers to serve those who are in need. A new effort has been made to contact our members who reside at Town Village, some of whom are able to come occasionally. Currently the following parishioners are residents: Donna Chenoweth, Jean Dallmeyer, Henry Bendel, Martha Jacobson, Emily Nixon and Joe Fortier.

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Hospital Visitation

There are enough volunteers to rotate through a 2-week rotation to cover a visitation to all in need every weekday.

**Outreach and Mission – Rick Coombs, Jim Swann, Richard Stolley**

Night Shelter: We made 96 lunches and dinners.

Bookstore and Gift Shop is in the process of changing over to Christmas displays and merchandise. Several volunteers have given extra time to accomplish this huge project, which should be completed by the end of the month and well in time for Kountry Kitchen, Nov. 10-14. We wish to thank Julie Todd and Kate Grigal for stepping up to co-chair Kountry Kitchen.

**Stewardship Committee – Stephen Vinson, Jim Swann**

The initial letter and the pledge folder with enclosed card have both been mailed.

**Junior Warden's Report – Doug Hosea**

- 3 pallets of sod were planted in and around the Marsee Garden. Thanks to Sowing Seeds for providing the labor.
- The upstairs classrooms continue to be painted and adorned with graphics and scripture verses. The project is just about complete.
- The toilet in the bathroom near the chapel was replaced.
- The lighting in the sanctuary had a little glitch in one of the power boosters. Connection Co. fixed the issue and ordered a back up power booster in case the fix does not hold.

**Communications Committee – Sara Beall, Jim Ray**

No report

**Development Committee – Doug Hosea, Sheryl Fritz, Ty Head**

- The Development Committee has not met since the September vestry meeting.
- Work continues on the installation of the second case and accompanying pipe racks in the choir loft.
- No further work has been completed on the Parish Hall Project

**Nominations & Personnel – Jody Gittiban, Sheryl Fritz**

Five people have accepted the invitation to run for the Vestry: Ed Maneikis, Grant Mathews, Debbie Nelson, Rae Huffstetter, Pete Haagen. Several more are considering running.

**Secretaries Report**

- Average Sunday attendance for 2009 YTD: 253
- Transfers in: 0
- Baptisms: 1
- Marriages: 0
- Transfers out: 5

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- Births: 0
- Deaths: 0

**Old Business**

- Water Pipe – no report
- Northbridge Building – no report
- Refinancing/Line of Credit – see Finance Committee report
- Memorial Garden – One of the fountain pumps had to be replaced. Sod was planted inside and outside the garden. We are still waiting on the proposal from Eastside Granite and Marble for the columbarium

**New Business**

- Due to the large number of issues that confront a facility the size of St. Alban's, discussion was held on the need for an assistant to the Junior Warden.

**On a motion by Stephen Vinson, seconded by Sara Beall, Ty Head was appointed Assisting Junior Warden. The motion passed unanimously.**

- Organ – all pipes that have been received are installed; additional pipes are on order
- Advertising Lessons/Carols/Christmas – see Rector's Report
- New Church Directory – Richard Stolley will contact companies which specialize in church directories and report back to the Vestry. Jim Ray will help Richard.
- Kountry Kitchen – November 10-14.

**Closing Prayer and Adjournment**

Fr. Kresowaty closed with a blessing at 9:15pm

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Kennemer  
Vestry Clerk

*Next meeting of the Vestry will be on November 18, 2009 at 7:00 pm in Room 10.*

October 14, 2009

**A motion was made by Ty Head, seconded by Steven Vinson to approve expenditure of \$10,154.98 from funds received to order the Oboe 8' for the organ. \$3,385.00 is due when this order is signed, \$3,384.99 when pipes arrive at organ builders shop, and \$3,384.99 when installation begins at church. The motion passed by email vote.**