

Minutes of the meeting of the Vestry, November 16, 2008

Fr. Clements offered the Invocation. Present were Roy Bickley, Linda Lloyd, Mary Anne Carley, Tom Schindler, Fr. Clements, Martha Nesbitt, Jane Canfield, Bob Reid, Al Dorf, Martha Baer, and Geoffrey Brown. No one was absent.

Bob Reid moved that the October minutes be approved, and Roy Bickley seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Martha Nesbitt distributed the Treasurer's report, and noted that the CPA had now indicated that the 2007 financials would be ready to be provided to the Diocese by the end of November. Following brief discussion, Al Dorf moved that the report be approved, and Jane Canfield seconded the motion. The report was approved.

Warden's Report: Linda Lloyd noted with regret the passing of George Tuttle on Friday. Detail of the funeral, scheduled for Monday, November 24, at 2 PM, are yet to be resolved, but will include a procession to the cemetery. The choir will sing.

Issues for Information, Discussion, and Determination:

- Roof and Plaster Repair: Fr. Clements noted that a leak in the slate roof needs to be fixed, and that he is currently checking on a repair firm identified by the Buildings and Grounds chair. Following the repair, the plaster can be repaired as well. No significant financial impact is expected.
- Bishop's Visit: Fr. Clements noted that Bp. Smith will be bringing a visiting priest from Africa to Trinity as his Chaplain when he visits us on December 21. Geoff Brown noted that we now have nine young people who are committed to perform in the Pageant, and, at Fr. Clements' request, no casting will be done until more families are contacted.
- "Sunday School": To move this important project forward, Fr. Clements will speak to parents when they bring their young people to Pageant rehearsals this year.
- Discernment Committee: Additional members are needed for the discernment committee for a parishioner who has an interest in becoming a priest. Anyone who wishes to serve on this committee should contact Fr. Clements.
- Healing Ministry: Fr. Clements noted progress with the side chapel, including the gift of candlesticks by the Dorfs for that altar. In lieu of the stained glass light box, the old Trinity Cross will be attached to the wall in that location. If it cannot be strengthened sufficiently for that purpose, the new Trinity Cross built by Bob

Reid will be used. One purpose for that chapel will be a healing ministry, with anointing of the sick. Fr. Clements will request volunteers for training for this ministry.

- Bazaar: Fr. Clements noted that the full support of the Vestry will be needed for the Holiday Bazaar on December 6.
- New Consecration Update: With New Consecration Sunday to take place on December 7, Linda noted the following upcoming milestones: (1) Letter #1 will go out on November 17. (2) Jane Canfield spoke at the 10:30 AM service today, while Roy Bickley spoke at 8 AM; Alexis Dorf will be speaker #2 and will speak at both the 8 AM and the 10:30 AM services next Sunday. (3) The Vestry, augmented by John Lloyd, Alexis, and Judy Brown, will have lunch next Sunday at Holley Place. (4) On November 24, the next letter will go out to the parish. (5) On November 30, another announcer will be needed to speak to both congregations, and Vestry assistance will be needed in following up on reservations for lunch on December 7.

Additional Items: No additional items were presented.

Vicar's Report: Fr. Clements noted that he had decided to have the Christmas Eve services at 7 PM and 10 PM instead of the times announced earlier. He also requested a volunteer to produce a quarter page ad for the Lakeville Journal about the Bishop's visit and the Pageant on December 21. Tom Schindler volunteered to take care of this.

There being no further business to come before the Vestry, Fr. Clements offered the Benediction.

The next business meeting of the Vestry will be December 21, 2008, when Bishop Smith will likely attend. As mentioned above, the Vestry will have its luncheon for the Consecration Sunday program on November 23.

Respectfully submitted,

Geoff Brown, Clerk