

St. Timothy's Vestry Meeting 6/7/10

All vestry members in attendance

Trawin Malone, (Regional priest for Northwest Region) and Gerry Link from the Finance Committee, Guests

- Welcome and Bible Study
- FINANCE UPDATE: Gerry Link reports that unofficially the May actual receipts were \$59,381 and the May actual expenses were \$55,801. Discussion followed concerning how expenses were reported and if it paints a true picture. The deficit is being made up by loose plate offerings. If all pledges were current, we'd be operating in the black. A suggestion was made that Cathy Culver attend all future vestry meetings to give us budget updates, as she is the one who keeps the books.

July 12 Vestry will have a combined meeting with Finance Committee to discuss the budget. This meeting replaces the first Monday in July, usually scheduled.

- NEW ITEMS: There is some confusion on responsibilities of each vestry person for each Commission. A question was asked about vestry membership on commissions. What is the role of the vestry, especially regarding the commissions? We as a vestry are working within a new structure. Rather than one person focusing on one area of ministry, we are all looking at the church ministries as a whole. Since it is impossible for each vestry member to attend each commission meeting, we discussed the importance of every commission promptly writing up their meeting minutes for distribution to each other and all vestry members. Distributing these minutes to each vestry member will keep us all up-to-date on the activities of each commission and allow us all to see the Big Picture. Commission minutes will also be posted on the webpage. Beth would like each vestry member to write a quick note of observations after each meeting to distribute to all vestry.

We discussed the importance of having a common "rotate-off" end of December date for all commissioners whose terms are ending. We also decided that we would ask all commissions to give the vestry their recommendations/nominations for replacement commissioners by the end of October.

Fr. Steve mentioned a desire for a dinner for new members with vestry present.

- COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS: Buildings & Grounds: Gardner Gidley will replace Tay Coan. Youth: Laurie Whitaker is being asked if she could take Leslie Eaton's place. These actions were approved by acclamation.
- PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION ON 10-11 BUDGET: Fr Steve has started from "scratch" to create a budget that reflects our parish priorities. Where are our priorities? Can we put something in front of the parish to get people excited? Proposed time line: Joint meeting with Finance Committee July 12, budget approval in early August. Vestry would like to get their pledge cards in immediately and challenge the finance

committee members to do the same so we can set the example to the church.

- **STAFF CHANGES:** Pam Carter is leaving as Children's Director. Her last day will be some time this week. There will be no summer Sunday School. Also there will be no Wednesday night dinners after June 30th until September 1st. Sitters for Wednesday night dinners will be available through June only. Sunday breakfast of coffee and donuts will be available in the education hall.

Bobby Steinhauser is no longer working at St. Timothy's. His departure was the result of a serious violation of office policy that did not, directly or indirectly, involve youth. Because of Bobby's termination, and expenses being greater than expected for the Navaho Land trip, the Youth trip has been changed to the "west of Asheville" trip and will happen the same time that the Navaho Land trip was planned. It is to Glory Ridge with St. Andrews of Greensboro. Duana Cisney, the Diocesan NW Regional Youth Resource Missioner will lead the trip. There will be another mission opportunity offered to the youth signed up for Savannah.

Fr. Steve and Cathy will get the immediate concern of nighttime lock-up covered.

Discussion followed about the possibility of combining the children's education director's position with the youth director's position and creating a Family Ministries position. No decision was made.

- The Vestry raised concern about the condition of the chapel, particularly the safety of the clear windows. The Vestry would like B&G to look into this.
- Fr Bob McGee will be on sabbatical from late June through late July. Fr Steve will vacation one week in June and will attend continuing education in late July.
- Closing prayer