

# Trinity Church Vestry Meeting

## September 20, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 12:35pm by the Rev. Chase Danford. The meeting was held via Zoom due to the COVID-19 shutdown.

The meeting opened with prayer.

### Roll Call:

Present: The Rev. Chase Danford, Tim Lush, Lesley Castellini, Carol Scollay, Dani Cundiff, Adrienne Wert, Bill Presutti, Russ Bennett, Jerry Spanarkel, Dell O'Hara, and Denise Surman

Absent: Patty Forbes

### Minutes:

- Minutes from the August 16, 2020 vestry meeting were read. Lesley Castellini made a motion to accept the minutes. Russ Bennett seconded. Motion carried.

### Priest-in-Charge's Report:

- We are still waiting to hear back from the Diocese about outside groups using our space.
- We are approved to have social time and live soloists (with restrictions)
- As of this week, all of our services have reopened.
- Adult Education is beginning its fall program this week.
- The Jersey Shore Ride for Food Justice was a great success. They had over 100 riders and raised over \$32,000.
- Social Justice film series continues
- We are having very good participation in our online programs.
- Children & Youth
  - o Jen and Keri are doing Zoom lessons and stories with the kids
  - o We are exploring meeting in-person outdoors
- St. Francis Day Blessing of the Animals will be drop-in outdoors
- Roberto Rojas and Felipe Humaini are in the process of being ordained in the Episcopal Church. Roberto as a Deacon and Felipe as a Priest.

### Wardens' Report:

- Dell suggested that we begin a program to send cards to people for their birthday. We will look to do an update on our database with this information during our Stewardship campaign.

### Finance Report:

- Our year-to-date recurring contributions remain below budget.
- Restricted giving is high due to a bequest given to the Church from the Estate of Joseph Bowen.
- Expenses are all at or below budget.
- We had a deficit for the month. There is a surplus for the year but we are most likely even when you take into account restricted funds.
- We are still waiting to be able to apply for our PPP loan to be turned into a grant.

- Social Justice is doing very well. They had a significant amount come in for fundraising in August and September will be much higher.
- We have authorized the transfer of funds from Charles Schwaab into the Diocesan Investment Trust.

Old Business:

- The following resolution was read into the minutes:  
On August 26, 2020, the Vestry of Trinity Church approved a motion via email to accept the 2019 Parochial Report as presented. Motion was made by Lyndell O'Hara and seconded by Lesley Castellini. Motion carried.

New Business:

- The church received a bequest from the estate of Joseph Bowen. Fr. Chase would like to designate this money as restricted for music capital expenses. The following resolution was made: The Vestry of Trinity Episcopal Church resolves to accept the bequest from the Estate of Joseph Bowen in the amount of \$5,306.99 and to designate the proceeds of Mr. Bowen's estate bequest for the creation of a special fund for music, intended for capital expenses. Motion was made by Bill Presutti and seconded by Lesley Castellini. Motion carried.
- Tim Lush announced his resignation from the vestry as of October 1, 2020. He is moving out of state.
  - o Vestry asked Charles Hagon to introduce himself to the vestry and tell them a bit about himself. He spoke about his time at Trinity and left the Zoom meeting.
  - o Lesley Castellini made a motion that Charles Hagon be appointed to the vestry to fill the unexpired term being left open by the resignation of Tim Lush as of October 1, 2020. Dani Cundiff seconded. Motion carried.
- Vestry discussed forming the Nominating Committee for the 2020 Annual Meeting. Dani Cundiff made a motion that Denise Surman, Patti Gilmour, Adrienne Wert, Dell O'Hara, Russ Bennett, and Joanie McCoy be appointed to the Nominating Committee for the 2020 Annual Meeting. Bill Presutti seconded. Motion carried.

Tim Lush made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Adrienne Wert seconded. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 1:44pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Jill Osis, Recording Secretary