

Saint Nicholas Episcopal Church  
Vestry Meeting  
March 28, 2017

Attending: Bill Caudill, Drucye Cox, Martha Dimon, Bob Hamilton, Phebe Robertson, Jeff Jackson, Nick Simpson and Patty Hamilton

Absent: Rebecca Crowley, Sue Halmrast, Jennifer Milton, Steve Morse

Bob provided lunch and the opening prayer.

Nick presented the financial report and explained the balance sheets.

Jeff updated various ministries:

Backsnacks project - Food is being bought directly from Feeding the Valley; grown from 20 packs per week to 50; all Harris County schools are participating; Grant Flynn will come to Sunday services and update the parish on the program.

Harris County Jail Ministries – Ash Wednesday ashes were taken to the jail; Communion is now taken each Monday at 2:00 for inmates.

Homeless Coalition – Meetings are being held with local clergy and interested parties; long-range projects are being discussed.

Safe Families for Children – this has been an outcropping of the homeless problems; Candi Gibson of Twin Cedars has presented the Safe Families program – a national movement partnering with the church to temporarily care for at-risk children, while strengthening families in crisis; several parishioners expressed interest in helping; liability is covered under Twin Cedars; Chris Butzon has taken the lead on the program; training will be on May 20, 2017 from 10:00 – 12:00.

Easter services will be at 6:00 am and 11:00 am.

Our scout troop will conduct clean-ups April 1<sup>st</sup> and the Saturday before Easter.

Our Steward of the Month for April is Steve Morse for his work in organizing and decorating for Mardi Gras.

May Stewards will be the Harris County Jail Ministry team and April will be Chris Butzon for his work with Safe Families.

The next meeting will be April 23. Father Jeff ended the meeting with prayer.

Submitted by Patty Hamilton, Clerk