

Vestry Meeting
August 28, 2016

Vestry members in attendance: Father Jeff Jackson, Kin Brown, Sheri Cody, Rebecca Crowley, Martha Dimon, Sue Halmrast, Katherine Johnson, Phebe Robertson, Steve Morse and Dave Halmrast, treasurer and Patty Hamilton, clerk.

Excused were: Bill Caudill, Bob Hamilton, Nick Simpson and Melissa Hammonds

Phebe provided lunch and opening prayer.

Dave presented the treasurer's report.

Rebecca and Sheri reported on youth and children's Christian Education programs. The J2A program has four teachers and looking for one other. Sheila Dixon has agreed to be in charge of the Christmas pageant. SNICK has six teen mentors this term, all of whom are St. Nick kids.

Martha Dimon announced that Lobsterfest tickets are selling well. Discussion followed as to how best to collect money for pre-sale of trips. Martha will talk with Theresa and they will contact the webmaster.

Father Jeff reported on the Parish Committee on Ministry. The committee is charged with helping parishioners begin their discernment process. Amy Buchanan is chair. There is one parishioner going through the progression at this time.

Jeff reported that Cecelia Rood has expressed interest in attending the November diocesan council meeting. It was agreed to ask Bob Hamilton to attend. Katherine Johnson volunteered to be either a representative or alternate. Patty will ask Bob and report back to the vestry. The vestry will the vote for two people to be representatives. The other nominee will be the alternate.

Father Jeff informed the vestry that he has drafted a resolution to be presented at council. The resolution has to do with deacons of the diocese. As of now, deacons have no seat, voice or vote. Father Jeff's resolution seeks to clarify the current terminology and to affirm the deacons' right to vote.

Katherine again expressed the need to find eligible persons to fill the four expiring vestry terms. Several members volunteered to make phone calls.

Katherine suggested that local Pine Mountain vendors be recognized as Blessings due to their generosity year after year in donating items to our Lobsterfest. A small coffee cake or bread will be presented. Sue Halmrast will provide a recipe.

Our Sheri Cody was unanimously nominated to be Steward of the Month due to her hard work in so many areas, including J2A, Lobsterfest, PCOM, needle point and yard maintenance.

It was announced that Sheri has added Lake Harding residents to our mailing list. Sue will get a list of Piedmont residents and add them. A mailing has already gone out to the Lake Harding people, introducing Saint Nicholas and inviting them to attend our services.

Father Jeff will be on vacation next weekend.

Pastoral concerns were reported.

Nick Simpson will provide lunch for the September 25th meeting.

Father Jeff closed with prayer.

Submitted by Patty Hamilton, clerk

ADDENDUM TO AUGUST 28, 2016 MINUTES:

On August 30, the vestry, via email, nominated Bob Hamilton as a delegate to diocesan council. Voting was held via email. Katherine Johnson and Cecelia Rood will be delegates and Bob Hamilton will be the alternate.