

**Grace Church in the Mountains
Vestry Meeting - Lake Logan
June 18, 2021**

Celebrating that Christ is all and in all by seeking, inviting, belonging, serving and reverencing God's creation.

Minutes

Vestry and Clergy Present: Dale McDonald, Michael Lodico, Laura Armour, Laurel Destry, Mary Lockey, Mariah Nehus, Pat Robinson, Lauri SoJourney, Rev. Joslyn Schaefer, Madison Owen

Guests: Karen Morris, Walt Austin, Gary Roberts

The meeting was called to order at 4:25 p.m.

A prayer for guidance was said by all present.

Joslyn provided an update on pastoral concerns within the parish. There is an opening on the Vestry and the wardens and/or Joslyn will reach out to potential Vestry candidates.

Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda was approved unanimously. This included the following:

- Vestry Minutes of May 20th
- Receiving of the May Financial Statements (Operating Budget, Designated Funds and Balance Sheet)

Standing Committee Updates

Outreach

- The 24 hour pantry has been emptied a couple of times.
- Parish Fair
 - Madison will be the coordinator for the children's area
 - Vicki and Betsy are working on grant applications. The Vestry will review the submitted applications on 8/19.
 - Holy Smokes will be serving prepared food at the event
 - Other participants/presentations may include:
 - Hayward Waterways
 - Master Gardeners
 - Alternatives to Herbicides
 - Creation Care
 - Grace Giving Garden
 - WC Climate Coalition
 - Lake Logan Outdoor School
- It was suggested that we may want to consider creating a prayer wall in the prayer tent.

Parish Programs

- Adult Formation
 - July 7 - Meet Madison
 - July 11 - Committee Updates and New Comers Meeting/Lunch
 - July 18 - Helping Hands of Haywood
- Madison will lead Children's Formation/Ministry going forward.
- Currently planning a children's service the first Sunday of July and August
- Arts Ministry is working on Prayer Flags

Administration

- A motion was made/seconded and then unanimously approved to appoint the Audit Committee whose members are: Laura Armour, Bobby Schmiel, Gene Sloan, Peter Nurse, Judy Dykes and Sandy Curtis.
- Information was provided about increasing the insurance coverage. The discussion and review resulted in motions/seconds and unanimous approvals to:
 - Increase the coverage of the contents of the Church, Thatcher Hall, and Grace House which will cost approximately \$874 annually.
 - Obtain an appraisal for replacement costs on the buildings.
- Continuing to identify a kitchen coordinator. Approximate time commitment is 2 - 3 hours per month.

New Business

Joslyn asked the Vestry to start thinking about the 2022 Standing Committees and 2022 Vestry. It was confirmed that Standing Committee member terms are limited to 3 years.

We will need a theme for the annual campaign.

Will we do cottage meetings again?

The meeting was adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

Submitted,

Karen Morris

Clerk

