



**Saint Mark's Cathedral**  
**April Vestry Meeting**  
Tuesday, April 23, 2019, 6pm  
Diocesan House Council Room

**Vestry Members Present**

Neshia Alaovae  
Jim Buskirk, Junior Warden  
Bob Chapman  
Amanda Davis, Junior Warden  
Andrew Himes  
Roberta Kanive  
Micah Kurtz, Diocesan Member  
Rosemarie LeMoine  
Julia Logan, Senior Warden  
Mary Maxon, Diocesan Member  
Michael Perera  
Marjorie Ringness  
Robert Stevens  
The Very Rev. Steve Thomason, Dean

**Vestry Members Absent**

Kristen Austin  
The Rev. Canon Marda Steedman Sanborn, Bishop's Representative

**Officers Present**

Barbara Erickson, Clerk  
John Hoerster, Chancellor  
Re Knack, Vice Chancellor  
Phil Lloyd, Treasurer

**Staff Members Present**

Erik Donner, Executive Assistant to the Dean

**Guests**

Phillip Lienau, discerner  
Jeremy Crawford, discerner's spouse  
Discernment Committee Members

- Walter Stuteville, convener
- Susan Knirk
- Phil Haas
- Hisako Beasley
- Sue Tait
- Nathan Clark
- Cheryl Hoffman

John Selberg – Emergency Disaster Plan

## **Call to Order, Prayer, Review of Agenda**

Steve called the meeting to order with opening prayer at 6:00PM.

## **Consent Agenda**

The vestry approved the minutes of the March Vestry as distributed.

## **SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**

### **Nomination for Postulancy Consideration**

The Discernment Committee for Phillip Lienau presented its recommendation to the vestry.

**The recommendation to move the nomination of Phillip Lienau for Postulancy to the Priesthood forward was made and passed with two abstentions.**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Emergency Response Plan**

John Selberg, Facilities Ministry, reviewed the history of the emergency response plan and how the final comprehensive plan, Emergency and Disaster Response Manual, came to be. Discussion identified items that will be covered with training. Page 8, a bullet item "Assist children in your care" will be added under the "Running and evacuation of the area..." section.

**Recommendation for the adoption of the Emergency and Disaster Response Manual with friendly amendments to be included in the training was unanimously approved.**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Construction Update**

Attorney-client privilege discussion.

### **Sanctuary**

Steve reported our sanctuary guest, Jaime, is doing well and worshipping with us and engaged in a variety of ways on campus. We have funding available for up to three months of expenses. The expenses are associated with helping to offset Jaime's loss of income, meals, etc., and will require an appeal for special gifts be made to the parish, churches in the diocese, and to the 150 interfaith congregations in the sanctuary network.

### **Threshold Fund Q1 Report**

Five families, two with children, were provided with assistance to move into homes during the first quarter of this year.

### **Protection Policies and Compliance**

The vestry is in full compliance. Ministry groups are working on their training and the staff and the vice chancellor are working on rounding out the training and background check policies. The vestry, with its leadership and fiduciary responsibilities, is asked to project a positive aspect of these policies aimed at protecting 1) children and vulnerable adults, and 2) the fiduciary interests of this organization. It was acknowledged that some of the training could be updated and that responding to some of the frustrations expressed by members is a challenge particularly with the background check criteria.

## **LEADERSHIP REPORTS**

### **Senior Warden**

Julia routed a sign-up sheet to seek volunteers for Cathedral Day on Saturday, May 18. The Strategic Planning Committee is meeting on May 29. The Vestry forum on Sunday, May 12 will consist of updates with a question period. Incredible Easter week!

### **Dean**

*Holy Week and Easter* were poignant. Gave a shout out for *Habitat for Humanity* for their reflooring of Cathedral House Room 210 – carpet was replaced with wood laminate and a donated rug and the table from the former Leffler House Board Room has been added. *Cathedral Day* is anticipating 500

attendees with 70–80 confirmations and food trucks. *Heritage Sunday* is May 26 and will honor the Cathedral Legacy Society, those members over 80 years of age, and members of record for 25 years or more. *Active Assailant Workshop* on May 25 with a \$15 fee for lunch. *The ordination of three priests*, including Chris McPeak, will take place at Saint Mark's on June 18. A status on the *Files of Note* was also provided.

## **Ministry/Committee Structure and Reports**

### **Hospitality**

Rosemarie reported that she and Jennifer King Daugherty have met, and the Young Adult group is another aspect of hospitality. The group consists of about 30 young people who are invited to attend meals and be members of Saint Mark's. The priests have been preparing meals and are now seeking volunteers to help with those meals. The young adults appreciate the conversation about faith through this outreach.

### **Justice (JMCT)**

Bob identified two take-aways from The Rev. Marilyn Cornwell's homelessness conversation at the recent JMCT meeting. 1) It is important to get out and be with the homeless in whatever capacity works for you, and 2) we should all take time to get to know you don't know someone at a Sunday service and listen for or ask the question "What's important to them?".

### **Communications**

Michael reported that the publicity for Holy Week was very successful – ads in *Capitol Hill Times* and *The Seattle Times* and that there did not seem to be any negative impacts from not mailing postcards; money was saved as a result. Live streaming of the services produced interesting statistic – Tenebrae service in Holy Week had just about as many online viewers (140) as attendees sitting in the pews (170).

### **Stewardship**

Robert reported that he and Cristi Chapman will be meeting on April 25 and will be inviting others to join them on this committee. Their goal is to not have a fall beg-a-thon. More coming on stewardship.

### **Creation Care**

Marjorie and Andrew added their meeting notes and a Call to Action document to Dropbox. Please read.

### **Check out & Closing Prayer**

Checkouts were given, and Re offered a closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Erickson  
Clerk

Erik Donner  
Executive Assistant

### **Dates/Events of note**

May 18	Cathedral Day
May 26	Heritage Sunday