# Meeting of the Vestry Chapel of the Cross July 28, 2021

**Attendance:** Rev. Ben Robertson, Ashley Herden, Bob Williams, Cliff Agnew, Brock Haas, Stan Herren, Tommy Roberson, Ellen O'Neal, Bill Buhner, Marvin Koury, Sarabeth Clark

Others Present: Michael Barker, Laney Crampton, Rev. Will Compton, Associate Rector, and Keith Obert (via phone call)

Absent: Will Morton

### I Welcome/Prayer

Led by Rev. Ben Robertson

### II June Minutes/July Agenda

*Motion:* Motion made by Ellen to approve the June minutes with changes suggested by Bill. Brock seconded the motion, unanimously approved by Vestry's vote.

*Motion*: Motion was made by Ellen O'Neal (via email) confirming permission to start planning Christmas in the Country, 2-4 December. Sarabeth seconded the motion (via email), unanimously approved by Vestry's vote (via email).

### III. Old/Ongoing Business

## A. Flower Guild Policies: Laney Crampton

Laney gave an overview of Flower Guild. She distributed a handout with wedding prices. Ben and Laney will meet to go over details.

## B. Treasurer's Report: Michael

- 1. Discussion of Audit 2020- Contact Michael with additional questions. He went over Year to Date/Review of Budget. He is planning on meeting with Finance Committee prior to next Vestry Meeting.
- 2. Capital and Organ Campaigns- Bob went over pledges to Capital Campaign. Organ price \$577,000. Letters will go out to members for organ donations.

3. 2022 Annual Campaign Report: Stan has agreed to serve as the Chair. Tommy Roberson will assist. Starting September 1, 2021 we will begin campaign. Stan aims to be timely and transparent. *Theme: God's Prosperity.* Vestry reviewed 2021 Annual Campaign Outline.

*Motion:* Motion was made to accept Treasurer's Report by Tommy, seconded by Marvin, unanimously approved by the Vestry's vote.

*Motion:* Motion was made by Stan to accept Audit 2020, seconded by Cliff, unanimously approved by the Vestry's vote.

#### 4. Knitter's Fundraiser

*Motion:* Motion made by Marvin to approve Knitter's Fundraiser. Brock seconded the motion, unanimously approved by Vestry's vote.

### C. Senior Warden's Report: Bob

Bob discussed issues related to Bear Creek situation. Bob went over agreement. Our attorney made adjustments.

## D. Junior Warden's Report: Marvin

1. Churchyard Covenants- Keith Obert (Attorney of Record, Cemetery Committee) (via phone call)

Keith went over First Amended Declaration of Protective Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for "A New Cemetery for Chapel of the Cross" Parts 1 and 1B. The covenants needed to be amended; a new document was created.

*Motion:* Tommy made the motion to accept the First Amended Declaration of Protective Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions For a 'A New Cemetery for Chapel of the Cross Part 1, Part 1B, and Part 2. The Declaration made on the 28 of July 2021 by its duly appointed Senior Warden, Bob Williams, upon recommendation of its Cemetery Committee and resolution of its Vestry. Seconded by Bill, unanimously approved by the Vestry's vote.

2. 2016 Sale of 12 lots to the Shelton family (nunc pro tunc)

*Motion:* Motion was made by Stan to approve Shelton Family lots from 2016 (retroactive), seconded by Sarabeth, unanimously approved by Vestry's vote.

- 3. Marvin wants to replace LED fixtures in kitchen. Resurrection: There is a leak that needs to be fixed. Road will be fixed prior to Day in the Country.
- 4. Punch List Committee Report: Bill gave report of items. He also provided a picture of possible pulpit design to Vestry.
- 5. Sound System in the Resurrection: We have signed a contract with Mississippi Sound. Vestry has some concerns.

### E. Rector's Ramblings: Ben

1. Standing Committee update- Some churches are requiring masks. He asked for recommendation/thoughts from Vestry.

He is meeting with Virus Committee to determine what to do moving forward.

2. Alcohol Policy: Ben reviewed the alcohol policy.

*Motion:* Marvin moved to accept the Alcohol Policy, seconded by Sarabeth, unanimously approved by Vestry's vote.

- 3. Employee Handbook: Review. Vestry will review this again in the future.
- 4. Wedding Policies: Ben went over policies. They have been approved by other guilds. The Vestry reviewed the wedding policies.
- 5. Post-Pandemic Calls: Ben and Will have been calling people that they haven't seen in a while.
- 6. Furnishings Report: Cushions for kneelers have been ordered. They should be here late August. Ben met with the decorator.
- 7. Wednesday Night Summer: Ben distributed Wednesday Night Supper Quotes.

*Motion:* Bill moved to accept the Wednesday Night Supper (pending proper certification, if needed) by Carleen Hicks and Doreatha Hicks, seconded by Cliff, unanimously approved by Vestry's vote.

#### F. Associate Rector's Associations: Will

The acolyte and usher manuals will be updated. He will report back in August.

## IV. Adjourn

*Motion* made by Tommy to adjourn meeting, seconded by Brock, unanimously approved by the Vestry's vote.

Minutes prepared by Grace Simmons, Vestry Clerk

Reminder: Next Vestry Meeting: August 18, 2021 at 6:00 pm