

St. John's Episcopal Church
Vestry meeting, 7 p.m., Wednesday May 18

Members present: Ellen Ball, Kitty Haffner, Mark Kussmaul, Char Lingen, Carole Meyer, Rev. Jan Oller, Christopher Short, Harry Siamas, Peter Swanson
Others present: Treasurer John Culley

Rev. Jan called to order with prayer, and updated members on the medical conditions of Alex Lebedeff and Jim Suren. Mark gave members an update on his heart arrhythmia. Members shared celebrations.

Kitty shared readings from 2 Timothy and Matthew, about helping seniors transition. "You have fought the good fight"; "well done, my good and faithful servant."

March minutes: Ellen moved to accept, Peter seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Financials: 46% of revenue in, only about 33% of expenses out. The church has not paid for red doors, but did pay for the new keyboard. John wasn't sure we had officially approved the keyboard purchase; Ellen so moved, Peter seconded, and it passed unanimously. Char moved to accept the treasurer's report, Christopher seconded; this passed unanimously as well.

Liaison reports

Children's education: Sang at the May 8 service for Mothers Day.

Outreach: Minute for missions, still supporting nourish backpacks, trivia nights going forward.

Parish Life: Agreed to organize five events, from June through January – canoe trip, arts and music day, pot luck dinners.

Planned giving: Added new information and links to website.

Old business

Financial snapshot (from vestry retreat): St. John's passes every benchmark for financial health.

New business

Upcoming events: Breakfast on the Shore, June 12; next vestry meeting, June 15.

Pastoral care discussion – Think about expectations for pastoral care when the rector is away. Other parishes' protocol is that the rector does not come back from vacation. Bill Wieland is normally available, or sometimes clergy from Lafayette. Are we okay with that? Mark: Maybe a reciprocal agreement with Lebanon? Also wants to make sure Rev. Jan is in the loop, if she wants to be.

Adjournment: Peter moved, Kitty seconded; it passed unanimously.