

November 14, 2023 Vestry Meeting

Sam Ferguson, Rector, opened the meeting with a devotion. After the devotion, he mentioned that he has a number of upcoming speaking engagements related to his book and that the reception to the book has been generally positive. He noted that this Sunday was membership Sunday. He also stated that he is hoping that the church will be able to offer a seven-week class on evangelism called Christianity Explored after Easter.

Tom Yates, Finance Committee Chair, presented the treasurer's report. He provided an updated summary for fiscal year 2023. For fiscal year 2024, Tom reported that year to date income is slightly above budget and year to date expenses are slightly below budget.

Kelly McFadden, Governance Committee Chair, presented a resolution regarding the dates for the church's 2024 annual meeting to elect vestry members and use of online voting. The motion passed.

Whit Jordan, Senior Warden, thanked the various vestry liaisons for submitting their reports and thanked the vestry for signing up for the vestry table. Kristen Short, Junior Warden, noted that Anglicans for Life will be hosting a large event at TFCA in January and encouraged the vestry to participate in the Friday morning worship service.

Whit noted that the upcoming DOMA Synod would include approval of DOMA's 2024 budget. He explained that DOMA historically had requested 4.1% support from its churches and is requesting an increase to 5.1%. Whit presented a recommendation for TFCA's donation to stay at 4.1% and for TFCA to continue its support for DOMA church plants with direct financial donations. The motion passed.

Whit presented a motion to approve the 2024 clergy housing allowance requests. The motion passed.

Garrett Gustafson presented a recommendation from the Outreach Committee regarding special Christmas collections. The Outreach Committee recommended that the Christmas collections be distributed to the Church's Ministry Among Jewish People. After discussion, the motion passed.

Peggy Aderton, Register, presented the October 2024 minutes for approval. After an amendment was offered, the amended minutes were approved.

Peggy presented an update on the VNEC process, noting that the VNEC was working to contact individuals regarding standing for vestry. Five candidates thus far have agreed to stand. Discussion ensued regarding notification to the church of the voter eligibility requirements.

Curt Yeo, Executive Director, provided an overview of the church planting proposal by Trinity Anglican in Burke, Virginia. He noted that this was a Tier 3 church plant and recommended a one-time donation of \$15,000. The motion passed.

Curt presented his report and provided an overview of the upcoming Christmas events and an update on staffing.

Sam closed the meeting in prayer.