

August 15, 2023 Vestry Meeting

Sam Ferguson, Rector, opened with a meditation on Psalm 25 and expounded on three themes related to how God guides his people. Sam then prayed.

Bracey Fuenzalida, Fellows Director, provided an update on the Falls Church Fellows Program. Darin Powers, Chairman of the Fellows Steering Committee, provided an overview of the organizational structure assessment and governance updates.

Chris Roth, Memorial Garden Committee Chairman, presented an update on the progress of the Memorial Garden and modifications to its budget. Construction on the Memorial Garden is expected to begin in August and be completed before the end of the year. The design now calls for Jerusalem stone and bronze gates and treillage which are more expensive materials. Project management fees and contingency amounts were also added to the budget. The vestry approved increases to the Memorial Garden budget.

Lewis Lovett, church planter in-residence at Redeemer Anglican Church in Richmond, provided an update on preparations to plant Resurrection Anglican Church in Midlothian, VA. He reviewed the timeline and planned budget, as well as his plans for fundraising. The vestry approved funds to support Resurrection Anglican.

David Andrukonis presented the financial report. He highlighted total operating revenue of \$7.65 million, which was \$238,077 over last year's giving, roughly a 3% increase. Total operating expenses are \$6.86 million.

Peggy Aderton, Register, presented minutes for the two (one regular, one special) vestry meetings held in July. The vestry approved both sets of minutes.

Sam Ferguson asked that the Vestry pray for the Youth Director candidate as he considers an offer to join TFCA. He noted that he will announce Preston Hansen's departure. He noted that he wanted to do a series on mission and several basic pillars of our life together: worship, community, discipleship, and mission. The mission pillar would likely be a multi-part series centered on the book of John.

Kristen Short, Junior Warden, noted that the Vestry was six months into the Vestry year and reviewed the objectives that the Vestry set at the beginning of the year. She noted that the farewell party for Preston and Rachel Hansen will take place this coming Sunday and the church will host his ordination service the following Sunday. The ministry fair will also take place on August 27 following the services.

Whit Jordan, Senior Warden, presented updates to the committee rosters. The vestry approved the committee changes. Whit said the November Vestry meeting will take place on November 14. Whit also provided an update on security.

Kris Iverson, vestry member of the Governance Committee, presented a resolution regarding lay delegates and alternates to the 2023 DOMA Synod.. The vestry approved the list of lay delegates.

Sam Ferguson closed the meeting with prayer.