June 20, 2022 TFCA Vestry Meeting

Sam Ferguson, Rector, opened the meeting with a meditation from Ephesians 2-4, noting that the future of the church is congregational. In Eph. 3:10, Paul is saying that in the church, God has united people who otherwise would not be united. The reconciliation and unity in the Body of Christ is through Jesus and the cross. He closed his devotion with a prayer.

Kathleen Christopher, Director of Healing Prayer, gave a report on the Healing Prayer ministry and the Christian Healing Institute (CHI), an integrated auxiliary of TFCA. Chuck Cook covered the CHI financial statement and presented the proposed CHI budget. The vestry approved CHI's budget.

Sam then gave the rector's report. Sam acknowledged the recent ACNA Provincial Council meeting hosted by TFCA. He was profoundly grateful for the staff and volunteers who worked extremely hard at hosting this event. Good reports came forward from many members attending the meeting from all over the world. The welcoming spirit and attention to details all helped foster unity of spirit and joy in Christ Jesus.

He also provided an update on the recent confirmation process, thanking the vestry for interviewing candidates and noting that 65 people were confirmed.

George Connors, Treasurer, gave a report on the financial condition of the church. FY22 actual year-to-date operating revenues are above the budgeted amount due in part to several large stock gifts. Year-to-date operating expenses for the same period are below budget due in large part to vacant or yet-to-be filled clergy and staff positions.

He also reported on the financial condition of the 6565 Arlington Boulevard LLC. FY22 year-to-date actual revenues are slightly above the budgeted amount and year-to-date expenses for the same period are below budget. The office building is 86% leased.

Peggy Aderton, Register, presented the minutes from the May 16, 2022 vestry meeting which the vestry then approved.

Morna Comeau, Junior Warden, reported that John Frederick, the new Pastor for Discipleship, and his family had arrived from Australia. Morna has made temporary housing and transportation arrangements for the Fredericks. The vestry thanked Morna for assisting the Fredericks in their transition.

Whit Jordan, Senior Warden, reported that on November 18th and 19th, DOMA's 12th diocesan Synod will be held at All Saints Church. Lay delegates and alternates for this synod must be submitted to the diocesan office by August 20th.

He also reported on changes to the list of vestry committee assignments. He thanked vestry members for serving as liaisons to TFCA's departments.

The vestry discussed the decision to not have VBS at TFCA this year. Due to the recent transition in Children and Family ministry leadership, TFCA will not be able to conduct VBS this summer. Sam and the vestry agreed that holding VBS will be a priority next year.

Marc Wheat presented two recommendations from the Outreach Committee. The vestry approved the recommended gifts to (i) Assist Pregnancy Center to assist them in the training of a new sonographer and (ii) Eastern Fairfax Area Young Life to cover the expenses of up to 15 local high school students in attending a Christian Spanish language YL camp later this Summer.

Kelly McFadden presented the list of lay delegates and alternates to the DOMA Electing Synod to be held on October 15, 2022 at All Saints Church. The vestry approved the list.

Curt Yeo presented the Executive Director's report. Curt gave a brief summary of activity since his last report. He gave an update on staffing, the benevolence fund, and church attendance.

Sam closed the meeting in prayer.