

The Vestry of Calvary Episcopal Church Meeting

February 15, 2022

Term Expires:

January 2023	January 2024	January 2025
Susan Grotte, Sr. Warden	Paula Grossman	Debbie Pohler
Christian Iversen	Debra Helbert	Greg Bethke
John Ondrusek, Jr. Warden	Philip Zanghi	Nicole Cornwell
Bob Todor	Marian Briscoe	Rick Lane

Absent: John Ondrusek and Paula Grossman

Staff to the Vestry

Fr. Ralph Morgan, Rector
Christian Iversen, *Treasurer*

Bill Daw, *Chancellor*
Barb Ault, *Clerk*

Devotion: Fr. Ralph gave devotion for John Ondrusek who was not present. Fr. Ralph's devotion started with the question, who is Jesus? We say in our Creed that we believe in Jesus as the son of God.

1. **Call to Order:** Fr. Ralph called to order at 6:30

2. **Review and approve the minutes of January, 2022.**

Susan Grotte made a motion for the January minutes to be approved. Marian Briscoe seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.

3. **Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's was given by Christian. Pledges were short but this time of year they are slow. There was a discussion on changing paper bulletins to save on the printing budget. It was decided no change. The report was approved as presented.

4. **Rector's Report:** The Saturday night worship service began on February 5. It was a good start with more congregation members participating. Fr. Ralph has high hopes for the future. The chili cook off was a great success. Thanks to Rob Richie and Fred Steinkamp for chairing this event. Everyone enjoyed the good fellowship and chili.

The Vestry will be commissioned/prayed for on February 26 and 27. We will do it at all three services.

John Brun started work on February 1 as our Parish Administrator. He is a great fit for Calvary. All staff Positions are going well. Our experience with the maintenance worker, Robert, has not gone as well as hoped. He had a recovery setback and is now getting help with another program. We are still working with Hope Fort Bend. We are continuing searching for another maintenance person.

Core Values: What defines outreach? What is Calvary's Outreach? We have many programs here at Calvary including, help community, help school, mission trips, garden, Thanksgiving dinners and many more. Are we doing what we claim to do? Are we trying to do too much? Fr. Ralph has asked Bob Tudor and Rick Lane to work on a project to put together an Outreach Center.

Core Values: Christian Fellowship and Family, Worship, Christian Education, and Outreach

There has been a change in the Head of School. Beth Dow is no longer with the school and Paula Grossman has been hired as the interim Head of School. Paula is prepared to stay the whole 2022-23 school year. She has stepped down from the Vestry and will be replaced by Fred Steinkamp. Marian will take over the vestry rep on the School Board.

Old Business: The Vestry Retreat had a discussion. One idea was to have an escape room event. The escape room could take place in the morning and then lunch. The retreat will be on a Saturday with the date to be announced later.

New Business: *March 1* the beginning of Lent and the Pancake Supper
Ash Wednesday- Luke's Footsteps of Christ program
There will be Lenten programs for adults, teens, and elementary children.
March 9- 6:00 Lenten Soup Supper

Check Signing Cards:

Remove Kathy Haley and Leslie Amentini as signers on the General Operating account and the Money Market account.

Add John Brun and Susan Grotte as signers on the General Operating account and the Money Market account.

Add John Brun as a signer on the Joint Discretionary account and the Rector's Discretionary account. This signature change will need a motion.

Closing prayer: Susan gave the closing prayer

Adjournment: Susan adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Barb Ault, Clerk

Calendar:

March 1- Lent begins-Pancake Supper

Ash Wednesday

March 9-6:00 Lenten Soup Supper