

The Vestry of St. Matthew's met on Monday, September 25, 2017, at 6 pm in the fellowship hall. Members present were Rev. Slaymaker, Chris Ellis, Ginny Falls, Justin Wright, Selena Ellis, Chris Yarberry, Laura Curry and Lee Storey. James Matthews, Fanny Neely and Nancy Cook were also present. Vestry began with Evening Prayer.

James Matthews presented a planned perspective on giving that St. Matthew's plans to pilot during the 2019 Stewardship cycle. He will visit again in January to give us more information.

Motion: L. Storey, Second: G. Falls to accept the August 2017, minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: C. Ellis, Second: L. Storey to accept the August 2017, financial report. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

Newcomers Dinner was successful.

Brunch review: Suggestion to have it every 5th Sunday

New Business:

October 23, 2017, is next scheduled Vestry meeting.

Stewardship 2018: Some letters were missing from the mail merge, but Lorrie will send those out.

Lorrie is planning a confirmation class in anticipation of the Bishop's visit to St. Matthew's on December 17.

Update on Vestry norms: Guests are always welcome to come observe and share their thoughts.

Upcoming Calendar Events:

Bishop's Visit, December 17 to include a potluck brunch in between services.

Greening of the church will take place on Saturday, December 16 at 9:00am.

Christmas Eve service will be December 24 at 8:00pm.

Annual meeting will be Sunday, January 28, 2018 at noon to include Gargoyle Awards.

Sr. Warden Report:

Plans are being made to create an LGBTQ group. Chris will send out information for those interested in marching with the Episcopal Church in the Pride Parade on October 28 in Little Rock.

Jr. Warden Report:

Ginny found an amp for \$145.00. She's looking at Facebook market for air conditioners for the nursery. ECW is pledging \$500 towards this effort.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Fanny Neely (using Laura Curry's notes)