

St. Philip's Life

WE PRAY FOR THE FAMILIES AND REMEMBER THE VICTIMS OF 9/11

Almighty God,
through Jesus you have taught us to
love one another, to love our
neighbors as ourselves, and even to
love our enemies. Help us to see each
person in light of the love and grace
you have shown us in Christ. Put
away the nightmares of terror and
awaken us to the dawning of your
new creation. Establish among us a
future where peace reigns, justice is
done with mercy, and all are
reconciled. We ask these things in
the name and for the sake of Jesus
Christ our Lord.
Amen.



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FROM THE RECTOR

ORA ET LABORA

September brings with it the celebration of Labor Day and the beginning of the Fall school term. Our culture seems to treat both of these events as just part of an endless parade of once in a lifetime purchasing opportunities. However, **the greatest danger is *not purchasing*** too many school backpacks or an unnecessary barbecue grill at a discount. The **greatest danger is *buying into the belief*** that our value in life is predicated upon our role as consumers. How do we counter this danger? How do we help our children learn their true value? Perhaps, we consider the wisdom of St. Benedict whose motto is “ora et labora” (prayer and work). How will we be changed if our work is a prayer, an act of thanksgiving for the life we share with others?

The Prayerbook Collect for Labor Day begins with these words: *“Almighty God, you have so linked our lives one with another that all we do affects, for good or ill, all other lives: So guide us in the work we do, that we may do it not for self alone, but for the common good; ...”* This prayer points us away from mindless consumerism to a life that contributes to the benefit of all. Our value is found in our identity and unity as the children of the living God. As God’s children, our work and actions are woven into the fabric of the universe and the lives of others. Teach your children to find joy in contributing to the common good. Help them consider how their actions affect others and the world. May God’s Holy Spirit awaken a new awareness that your actions resonate within the web of life. May this awareness bring joy and grace to the work you and your children do in this new season. May all our work be a holy prayer of thanksgiving for the life we share.

IN MEMORY OF JOE TICHOTA

Caring Father, Good Friend, Loving Grandpa.

Lambert W. “Joe” Tichota, age 87, Joplin, passed away at his home of complications from advanced COPD.

Joe was born August 24, 1934 in West Point, NE, son of the late Joseph L. Tichota and Catherine (Walters) Tichota. He grew up in rural Nebraska and graduated from Beemer High School.



In 1953 he married JoAnn Wegner. Together they raised four children and were married 60 years until JoAnn’s death in 2014.

He worked for years in Chemical Plants in Omaha, NE, Lima, OH, and then in 1961 he moved to Joplin and worked many years at Atlas Chemical and Powder Company. He enjoyed working with the youth, loved football, and was a Pee Wee Football Coach for 15 years with the YMCA. He was also involved with local events. As a former Joplin City Council Member for 12 years he championed the causes of the overlooked and less fortunate in the Joplin area.

He loved the sport of horse racing. He owned, bred, trained, and raced Thoroughbred Horses and followed the sport into his later years. Joe worked at Bordertown Casino in Off-Track betting where he met some great friends including Diana Painter, who was an incredible friend and support and who made it possible for him to follow his wishes and stay in his house for the remainder of his life.

He was an active member of the Elks Lodge in the 1970s-80s, and 90s. He has been a member of St. Philip’s Episcopal Church in Joplin since 1961.

.He was an avid reader. He was a “dyed in the wool” Democrat and kept a passionate interest in current affairs and politics his entire life.

He kept a jolly demeanor even after facing many adversities.

He was a devoted grandfather who really kept in touch with his two grandchildren. He let them know often that they were loved and was very proud of their activities and accomplishments.

In addition to his parents, Joe was preceded in death by his wife of 60 years, Joann C. (Wegner) Tichota who passed on January 14, 2014, a son, Joel R. Tichota, and a daughter, Julie A. Tichota. Survivors include his daughter, Terry J. Tichota of Las Vegas, NV, and a son, Jon J. Tichota and wife Jennifer Miller of Skokie, IL; grandchildren, Juliana and Lukas Tichota also of Skokie. Surviving siblings are JoAnn Benash of Lincoln, Nebraska, Debra Nolting of Bancroft, Nebraska and Leroy Tichota of Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Memorial services will be held at a later date at St. Philip’s Episcopal Church.

Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Parker Mortuary.

NEWS BRIEFS

NEWS FROM WOSP – WOMENS OF ST. PHILIP'S

WOSP is the local St. Philip's group of the National Episcopal Church Women, ECW. The ECW champions women's rights and the Christian Foundation of God and Family. We are a ministry of the Episcopal Church. **All women in St. Philip's are members of WOSP and all are invited and welcome to attend meetings and participate in planning events and outreach projects.**

WOSP will meet on Saturday, September 17th at 11AM following St. Ann's meeting. Please join to continue planning for the First Annual Harvest Happening.

SAVE THE DATE – October 22nd

The First Annual Harvest Happening is scheduled to happen on October 22nd. Take a look at the fancy sign-up board and pick a place or more for your name. There are lots of opportunities to contribute your time and talents. We're excited to adapt the previous fall bazaar to an updated event. Listen for more news and details about the Happening as fall approaches.

BLANKET DRIVE

From Vicky Cleveland

I am asking for donations of blankets, minimum of 50; new, used or in the need of some TLC. These blankets are distributed between Lafayette House, Souls Harbor, and Water Gardens. This will be done the last weekend of October or first weekend of November after the blankets are blessed. If you have any questions, my number is in the church directory. The blankets are being stored under the sign-up table in the parish hall.



NEWS FROM THE CHOIR

Choir resumes weekly practices in September. The starting time will be 6:45PM so those who wish to attend the Wednesday worship service at 6PM can do so.



MISSION QUEST #1 – TEA WITH TED ON TUESDAY

Who? Ten parishioners (Judy, Hugh & Ramona, Craig & Gayle, Gay, Maridan, John & Nancy, Carol) met with Melinda and Fr. Ted on Tuesday, August 23 for Mission Quest 1 - Tea with Ted. What is this Mission Quest 1?

What? Mission Quest is a meeting in which groups of 12 members share about their involvement at St. Philip's Church, what they value about it, and challenges they see in the present and in the future. We are in the first round of these conversations, hence Mission Quest 1. This was the second group of 12 to meet in the first round. The goal is to have all members participate in a small group to share ideas and plan action over the course of 4 Mission Quest conversations.

What did the group like about the session? These are just a few of the comments on the anonymous surveys. *Group size was just right. Open conversation and constructive input. Brought us together to create a stronger, growing church. Issues aired. Most people felt they could participate.*

What was a challenge about the session? These are a few of the comments about challenges. *Getting past ideas. Too many things to discuss-needed more time. Too many things we need to change quicker.*

How can you get involved? **The next Mission Quest 1 is on September 18 at 2pm.** There are 5 slots open at the time of this writing. Use the QR code posted at church to sign up or call Kim at the office. An October session will be posted soon.

Want to know if it is worth it? Ask some of those who have tried it or talk to Fr. Ted.

ATTENTION KEYHOLDERS - LOCKS WILL BE CHANGED

Many people have keys to our church. Some keys have been misplaced or lost. The decision was made at the June vestry meeting that the doors entering the parish hall will have the locks rekeyed. **This will occur sometime between August 15th and September 1st.**



Tighter controls will be implemented regarding key issuance. Those who are known to need a key will automatically receive new keys when they become available. For example, St. Ann's active members will *automatically* receive a new key from Ramona because they have need to open the building to perform their duties. Others who have frequent need to access the building will receive keys. There will be a check-out system for those who need keys on an occasional basis.

Once the locks have been rekeyed, if you have not received one, but need one, please contact the Parish Office.

In conjunction with this effort the building use policy for the church is currently under review and may be revised/enforced. Signs will be posted on the doors informing all keyholders that the locks will be rekeyed.

THANK HEAVENS FOR LAWN ANGELS -

Thank you to all who contributed to have St. Philip's lawn work done in 2022. Taking the initiative and following through to get things done is a hallmark of St. Philip's members. A special thanks to Blake & Leslie Webster for starting the ball rolling and matching the donations of all the other team members. The Websters were joined in this effort by: Sharrock & Maria Dermott, Gayle Tuck, Miff Dikeman, Judy Turner, Wayne & Kaie Stephenson, Tom & Lyter Isenman, Ted & Melinda Estes, and Maridan Kassab. This team paid for our lawn mowing from May to October 2022. Their generosity helps support our daily work at St. Philip's Church as we strive to serve our community as an oasis of hope and peace.



GARDEN ANGEL MYSTERY –



Some anonymous Garden Angel floated on to St. Philip's campus and began clearing purple Morning Glories from the fence this past Monday, August 22nd. The Garden Angel also pulled and felled 6-foot weeds in the raised vegetable beds. Who was this seraphic stranger who tackled a job that has daunted many a woman and made grown men cry? We do not know. But we do care! [Thank you, Garden Angel, for beginning this work.](#) We would count it a blessing if you visit the Garden again. Feel free to take some of our members under your wing and guide them in returning this wilderness to a Gden of Eden.

Deacon Suzanne Lynch to serve on September 25

The Rev. Deacon Suzanne Lynch will serve Holy Communion from the Reserved Sacrament at St. Philip's 10:00 am service on September 25, 2022. Deacon Suzanne is a vocational deacon with many years of service in our diocese. In addition to serving on staff at St. James Episcopal Church of Springfield, she is a chaplain with Hospice Compassus. Deacon Suzanne has a wonderful and loving family. She is pictured here, having just baptized her grandson, Payton, at Grace Episcopal Church of Carthage. Please welcome her to St. Philip's Church and thank her for supplying for Fr. Ted, who is out of town.

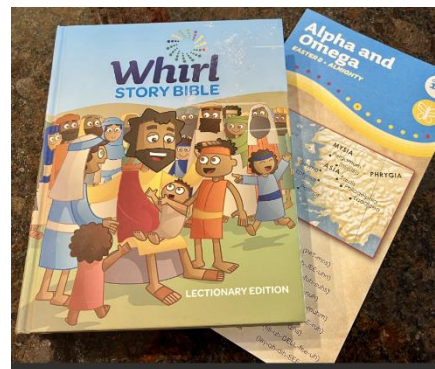


KIDS SUNDAY SCHOOL Starts on SEPTEMBER 11 at 9:15AM

KIDS Sunday School starts on Sunday, September 11, at 9:15am. Infants through age 5 will have a Bible story and activity led by the staff in the childcare rooms. Students in grades K-2 and 3-6 will have a lectionary-based curriculum with Bible stories and fun learning activities. K-2 and 3-6 groups will have some shared activities and some separate ones based on age. We will add classes as our number of students and teachers increase. *All paid staff and volunteers have passed the required background checks to ensure that St. Philip's activities are safe for everyone. Your child's safety and wellbeing (physically, emotionally and spiritually) is our highest priority.*

What is Lectionary Based Sunday School? - The Lectionary is the schedule of Bible readings used for worship each Sunday. Our WHIRL curriculum presents our Kids with the same Bible readings that are used in our Sunday service. This helps families connect with each other and the scripture.

Will there still be Children's Church during the sermon on Sundays? - We intend to continue Children's Church during the sermon in addition to the Sunday School Class before the service. Children's church will continue the learning started in Sunday School, crafts, and music activities. Children return to their families at "The Peace" as we celebrate Holy Communion.



How does all of this happen? All of these vital ministries require faithful adults to serve and make them work. At St. Philip's Church, we work in teams that serve well, have fun, and share the load. *These activities also require funds and financial support from members and friends of the parish who believe in and support our ministries.* How is God calling you to support the ministries at St. Philip's Church.

ADULT FORUM AKA STUMP THE PRIEST!

On Sunday, September 11, at 9:15AM, all adults are invited to gather in St. Philip's Parish House for our Adult Forum (AKA also known as Stump the Priest). This weekly event for adults meets during the Sunday School time for infants - Grade 6. Fr. Ted will teach and lead discussions about the Bible, All Things Episcopal, Stewardship, Living a Good Life, and so much more. Many topics will be covered.

QUESTIONS ARE INVITED! - **Do you have burning questions? i.e.** What's Hell like? Do all dogs go to heaven? Does every cat require an exorcism? Does the Episcopal Church teach Transubstantiation? Fr. Ted enjoys getting adult questions in advance so that good answers and sometimes handouts can be prepared in advance. Of course, he will choose topics like: Prayer, Sacraments, Spiritual Growth, etc., but good adult education answers the questions and needs of the adults involved.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT MASS & PROGRAM - **Calendar Changes**



Our Wednesday night Mass at 6pm continues weekly. However, we will have Evening Prayer on September 21 and 28 as Fr. Ted will be unavailable. **October 5th is the first date for the meal and adult program** that follows the 6PM Mass. This October program & meal start date is a change from previous calendars. Details about the program will be available in the October Newsletter, Weekly Email, and Facebook posts. **Consider signing up to help with a meal one evening.**

CHECK OUT THE SIGN-UP SHEETS

Be sure to watch the table in the parish hall for 'hot' information regarding the church. You will find updated directories, the current newsletter, the suggestion box, Day by Day Daily Inspirations and flower donation sign up lists.

This is the table where you will find sign-up sheets for current 'going's-on'!



CELEBRATIONS!

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| 3 James Barlo | 19 Mark Kiger |
| 4 Nancy Jennings | 19 William Searce |
| 4 Miff Dikeman | 20 Blaine Bond |
| 6 Andrea Land | 22 Cindy Curchin |
| 6 Ann Turney | 23 Vicky Cassady |
| 10 Karen Ames | 28 Ron Robson |
| 11 Nancy McReynolds | 26 Calvin DePriest |
| 12 Frank Shagets | 28 Felicia Rivette |
| 14 Sophia DeGuerre | 28 Bohdi Webster |
| 18 Brett Schwab | 29 Janet Hackney |
| 19 Riley Blanchette (Jones) | |



SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 8 Mark and Glenda Kiger
- 10 Sharrock and Maria Dermott
- 25 Matthew and Rebecca Fick



Altar Flowers

- 9-4 –
- The high altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Stacy and Clay Turney in celebration of Ann Turney's birthday.
 - The children's altar flowers are given by Maria and Sharrock Dermott in celebration of Ann Turney and Nancy Jennings' birthdays.
- 9-11 –
- The high altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Gayle Tuck in celebration of all September anniversaries.
 - The children's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Ann Turney of celebration of Miff Dikeman's birthday.
 - The sanctuary candle is given to the glory of God by Miff Dikeman in celebration of Ann Turney's birthday.
- 9-25 – The sanctuary candle is given to the glory of God by Miff Dikeman in celebration of good friends and family

Flower Dedications

As a way to honor, celebrate, or remember your loved one, we provide an opportunity to put flowers on the altar each Sunday. These are ordered by Maria Dermott and will billed directly to you by The Wildflower.

You may also dedicate the sanctuary candle for \$10.

A flower chart is posted in the parish hall listing each Sunday. You can browse through and find your special day. Just put your name and notation there. We'll take care of the rest.

Donated flowers are gifts to the church. Typically, the children's altar flowers are relocated to St. James chapel for mid-week services. If you have a request for who should receive your donated high altar flowers, please note the chart. If there is no written request, they will be donated to someone who can enjoy the blooms.



- **To put a name on the PRAYER CHAIN....** Please call Nancy Messick on her cell phone. We will pray for each of the names on the list. Names are kept confidential. The PRAYER CHAIN IS different from the announced prayer list (see below).

- **Pray for Members of our Military**

Nick Grady, Travis Hutchinson, Adam Lewis, Josh Linn, Joel Nowlin, Brooke Porter, Zach Sutton, Travis Wirth

- **Pray for our Joe, our President; Mike, our Governor; Ryan, our Mayor**

- **Pray for: 75th Military Police Companies United States Army Reserve, The Joplin National Guard Armory, and their family members as well as Past and Present Veterans**


- **Pray for First Responders, Fire Fighters, EMS, Health Workers**

- **Sick (Announced) Prayer List**

Marilyn Boyd, Sandra Craig, Matt Fick, Marilyn Gibson, Jeff Green, Janet Hackney, Mary Hopkins, Nancy Jennings, Bethanie Knoll, Gail Williams Kunkle, Sally Metcalf, Melody Newburn, Jim Paul, Richard Reece, Ron Robson, Linda Salzer, William and Penny Searce, Linda Salzer, Lois Shriver, Amy Spidle, Liz Sternes, Annette Taylor, Bishop Keith Whitmore, Katy Yeaman, Zach



SEPTEMBER 2022 – St. Philip’s Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
August 28	August 29	August 30	August 31	1	1	3
Proper 17 10:00AM HE – Rite II			6:00 PM HE w/unction			
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Proper 18 10:00 AM HE – Rite II	LABOR DAY PARISH OFFICE CLOSED 		6:00 PM HE w/unction 6:45PM choir			
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Proper 19 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:00AM HE – Rite II			6:00 PM HE w/unction Holy Cross Day 6:45PM choir			8:00 AM St. Joseph's 10:00 AM St. Ann's 11:00 AM WOSP
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Proper 20 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:00AM HE – Rite II 2:00 PM Mission Quest I Group 3	6:00PM Vestry		6:00 PM Evening Prayer 6:45PM choir			
-----Fr. Ted Vacation 9/19 – 9/30-----						
			Newsletter Deadline			
25	26	27	28	29	30	October 1
Proper 21 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:00AM HE – Rite II			6:00 PM Evening Prayer 6:45PM choir			
-----Fr. Ted Vacation 9/19 – 9/30-----						

Schedules for Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Acolytes, Counters, Altar Guild

*Please mark your calendar for the days you are to serve;
If you have a conflict, please arrange to change with someone and then let the parish secretary know.*

Sept 4 Proper 18	Sept 11 Proper 19	Sept 18 Proper 20	Sept 25 Proper 21	Oct 2 Proper 22
Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Prayers of the People – Nancy & John Messick, Coordinators				
10AM – Pam Volkl EM – Gayle Tuck	10 AM – Harvey Hutchinsor EM – Phil Metz	10 AM – John Messick EM – Sharrock Dermott	10 AM – John Moback EM – Judy Turner	TBD
Camera – Mark Kiger	Camera – John Messick	Camera – Wally Bloss	Camera – Karen Ames	
Wednesday - 6PM				
Wed, Sep 7 HE w/unction – Phil Metz	Wed, Sep 14 HE w/unction – Ramona Shields	Wed, Sep 21 HE w/unction – Judy Turner	Wed, Sep 28 HE w/unction – Ramona Shields	Wed, Oct 5 HE w/unction – TBD
Other Services				
Counters – Parish Secretary, Coordinator				
If any count team needs a replacement feel free to contact Linda Englert or Judy Turner. They cannot count together – only separately with another individual. Their numbers can be found in the Parish Directory or call the church office.				
Ramona Shields Judy Turner	Rose Paul Gayle O'Hare	Gayle Tuck Gail Campbell	Ann Turney Miff Dikeman	Ramona Shields Judy Turner
Acolytes – Rebecca Fick, Coordinator				
Crucifer – Micheal Fick 1st Server – Lily Farmer 2nd Server – William Kouchey Gospel – Leo Farmer	Crucifer – Gaddie Stephenson 1st Server – George Webster 2nd Server – Brenner Kumbier Gospel – Grey Kumbier	Crucifer – Lily Farmer 1st Server – Micheal Fick 2nd Server – Caroline Stanley Gospel – Jack Stanley	Crucifer – Micheal Fick 1st Server – Brenner Kumbier 2nd Server – Gaddie Stephens on Gospel – Grey Kumbier	Crucifer – Micheal Fick 1st Server – Caroline Stanley 2nd Server – William Kouchey Gospel – Jack Stanley
Altar Crew – Ramona Shields, Directress				
Leslie Daniels Lyter Isenmann Rose Paul Judy Turner	Gayle O'Hare Maria Dermott Carol Wiggans Melissa Braun	Nancy Messick Gail Campbell Gayle O'Hare	Jacque McConnell Marilyn Johnston Meredith McManis	TBD
Sep 7 Nancy Messick	Sep 14 Ramona Shields	Sep 21 Judy Turner	Sep 28 Ramona Shields	Oct 5 TBD
Ushers – Andrew Campbell, Coordinator				
Nancy and John Messick	Melissa and Bill Braun	Blake Webster Wayne Stephenson	Rex Hunt Phil O'Hare	Nancy and John Messick

FINANCIAL UPDATE

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



This is a 3-year campaign running through 2022. All of the initial projects of the campaign have been completed and paid for. Thank you for continuing to send in your Capital Campaign pledge payments so we can continue to restore our beautiful church building.

New projects have started!

The upstairs bathrooms have been completed. Bids are being taken to update the remaining upstairs bathroom.

Current Balance - ~ \$16,857

Amounts paid to date – \$331,443

- Floor - \$72,344 (paid in full)
- Tuck Pointing - \$57,170 (paid in full)
- Bath - \$46,515 (paid in full)
- Carpet Runner - \$5,944 (paid in full)
- Painting and Wall Repair - \$8,000 (paid in full)
- Roof - \$48,740 (paid in full)
- Flooring for Parish Hall/Apostle's Way/Kitchen - \$18,985 (paid in full)
- Texture, paint, ceilings, flooring for parish hall, Apostle's Way, and kitchen - \$47,750 (paid in full)
- Red doors repair and painting - \$3,025 (paid in full)
- Marmic – wiring for alarm - \$3,524 (paid in full)
- Cleaning after completion - \$250 (paid in full)
- Speakers in parish hall - \$1,136 (paid in full)
- Concrete step repair - \$1,260 (paid in full)
- Upstairs bathroom - \$16,800 (paid in full)

STEWARDSHIP - ST. PHILIP'S FINANCIAL INFORMATION

JULY 2022

Line #		JULY	YTD
ORDINARY INCOME			
1	From Regular Support for Operations.....	\$ 11,381	\$ 85,201
2	Interest from Operating account.....	\$ 3	\$ 26
3	From Investments Used for Operations.....	\$	\$ 5,900
4	Transfer from Endowment.....	\$ -	\$ -
5	Total Ordinary Income (add lines 1,2,3,4.....)	\$ 111,384	\$ 91,127
ORDINARY EXPENSES			
6	From Regular Monthly activities.....	\$ 13,122	\$ 106,839
7	Transferred to the Endowment Account (B/S item	\$ -	\$ -
8	Less Investments Used for Operations.....	\$ -	\$ -
9	NET PLEDGED INCOME (LOSS) [line 5 less lines 6,7,8] ..	-\$ 1,737	-\$ 15,712

LET'S STAY C-O-N-N-E-C-T-E-D

- **St. Philip's Website**

The main church website which also contains links to the church calendar, live-streamed services and our other social media sites. Also contains some lovely pictures of the biblical mural and the stained-glass windows. A donation button was added recently to allow online donation to the church by credit card.

- **St. Philip's on YouTube**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBjRZSfuzB3UstCbTlxdtBQ> – <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBjRZSfuzB3UstCbTlxdtBQ/live> for a direct link to the live stream

All the live-streamed services from March 2020 to date are archived in YouTube, as well as recorded sermons.

- **St. Philip's on Facebook**

<https://www.facebook.com/StPhilipsJoplin/>.

The church presence on Facebook. All Facebook users are encouraged to “like” the page if you haven’t already done so. Daily prayers, links to live streamed services and news from around the Episcopal Church, The Diocese of West Missouri and elsewhere. .

You may be interested to know there is a discussion group called “Talk About St Philip’s” on Facebook too – the link is on the St. Philip’s Facebook page, and all the Facebook friends of St Philip’s are welcome to join.

- You do not have to be ‘on’ Facebook to view the church’s presence.

- **St. Philip's on Instagram**

<https://www.instagram.com/stphilipsjoplin/>

An informal collection of photos taken at Church events (e.g., social media Sunday)

- **St. Philip's on Flickr**

<https://www.flickr.com/people/saintphilipsjoplin/>

Flickr (pronounced “Flicker”) is a photo sharing site originally founded by Yahoo some years ago. St. Philip’s has been using Flickr for almost 5 years for its online photographic archive. Over 1300 pictures are held, covering a wide range of church activity.

MINUTES OF THE VESTRY

Monday July 18, 2022 6:00PM

Attendees: Phil Metz, Maria Dermott, Andy Campbell, Kaie Stephenson, Nancy Messick, Blake Webster, Phyllis Sapp
Others: Fr. Ted Estes, Jacquie McConnell, Ron McConnell, John Moback, Mary Sparks, Kim Siers

Phyllis Sapp led the invocation.

Agenda - Phil Metz moved to adopt the agenda with amendments, Blake Webster seconded. All in favor, no abstentions. Moved security to 5A.

Last month's vestry minutes – Nancy Messick moved to approve June's minutes; Phil Metz seconded. All in favor, no abstentions.

Security Update - John Moback introduced himself as the new lead on security planning for the church. With 25 years in the army and experience as a trainer for the military in security and emergency procedures, John is well qualified. The plan developed by Ron McConnell will still be in place with adjustments, if needed. John will consult with Fr. Ted about maintaining our welcoming culture while still providing good security.

Treasurer's Report - Our Checking Balance is \$74,056.52. This is down \$13,945.60 year to date. The endowment fund is down, but pledges are up. Income is up for the month approximately \$400.00. Paperwork has been sent to Ron Weil for audit for our regular annual audit. Ron is the CPA for the diocese and there will be no charge for the audit. Quickbooks was purchased through TechSoup using the Diocese number and will be billed \$75.00 annually. We have a 30 day free trial to make sure that it will work for us. Phil Metz moved to approve the Treasure's Report, Maria Dermott seconded. All in favor, no abstentions.

Calendar - Maria Dermott moved to approve with the possibility of amending to remove groups, Phil seconded. All in favor, no abstentions.

Junior Warden Report – Kaie stated that the landscaping had been completed and the front bathrooms toilets were retrofitted to flush better. Talked about the garden area and will have a fall clean up and try again next year. Junior Warden, Kaie, will form a building & grounds committee with the Junior Warden as the vestry representative.

Senior Warden Report – Phil stated that he and Fr. Ted are taking Bishop Diane's husband to Royal's game on Monday. Phil shared the following information about the Finance Committee. We need two signatories on the Stifel Account. The finance committee members are Phil Metz, Jim Paul and Sara Newman. Discussion involved possible expansion to 5 people on the committee to include a wider base of experience. A larger group also maintains some institutional memory when members finish their terms. Will ask that a Finance Committee representative give a regularly scheduled presentation to the vestry of the endowment fund and investments. Whether this report will be quarterly or semi-annually will be determined later.

Rector's Report – see printed report – some highlights: Bunn Coffee Maker was ordered from WebstaurantStore online for \$363.91. Tax exempt form was submitted and will receive a refund for tax of \$24.92. Fr. Ted wants to have an open house in September for our renovated Education Classes and Sunday School Program. Sunday School will start on September 11 as the previous weekend is Labor Day.

Capital Campaign – Ron McConnell stated that there is \$33,742.00 in the account. There has been progress on the upstairs bathrooms. Tile has been installed as well as fixtures. A change in tile used caused a moderate increase in cost. Ron will talk to American Construction about a price adjustment, but says there are funds in the account to cover the difference. Mark Upton repaired the steps in front of the church and should finish that project this week. Capital Campaign account will cut a check to the church for the completed work on the front bathroom performed by Saterlee Plumbing. Ron is getting bids to upgrade the security of the kitchen door to the alley. He will also get bids on the small upstairs bathroom for painting, tile (same as the other bathrooms upstairs) and installing the toilet that we have.

CPR Class is Sunday July 24th at noon. It will last 2 1/2 hours and the cost is \$45, due at time of class. Ron and Jacquie will provide a simple meal.

Membership Committee - no report

Suggestion box - Received a note of appreciation for the landscaping and hard work that the vestry does.

Communications & Digital Ministry – see printed report

Old Business – Andy spoke with Alert360 in Springfield about electronic locks with fobs. The initial install cost and monthly fee was shared with vestry. (Not published at this time because we are still receiving bids) He will also check to see the cost for using the new system on more than the 2 parking lot doors. He will also get a second bid from Marmic, our current alarm system provider.

Building usage policy will be edited for simplicity. We will follow the policy going forward. Groups that meet must have a member who can let them in, monitor and lock up after.

Discussed Boy Scout Troop at St. Philip's Church

Need to:

1. Make sure St. Philip's Church is listed as an insured on BSA liability insurance
2. Review our role as sponsor of the local Troop & Pack.
 - o How do we want to support the BSA?
 - o How do we make our support a ministry of the church?
 - o Need better communication between the two organizations.
3. Need to coordinate church and BSA schedules

New Business – Harvest Happening: WOSP are planning to have on Oct 22, 2022. There will be up to 15 vendors, a chili feed with dessert, a bake sale and a raffle for different baskets.

Father Ted closed the meeting in prayer at 8:58PM.

Respectfully submitted
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OUR MISSION...

is to worship God, follow Christ, and love our neighbor.

OUR VISION...

is to continue to build our community of faith, according to Christ's teachings, where all truly belong and are encouraged and enabled to participate in our mission.

Sunday: 10:00AM HE Rite II (also live-streamed) 12 Noon – Adult Virtual Class

Wednesday: 6PM HE/with unction

Secretary's Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday - 8:00AM - 2:00PM Friday - 8:00AM - 11:00AM

HAVE A COMMENT? IDEA? SUGGESTION?

FEEL FREE REACH OUT TO ONE OF YOUR VESTRY MEMBERS

WE WILL REVIEW ANYTHING SUBMITTED IN THE NEXT VESTRY MEETING

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