

**Vestry Meeting**  
**CHAPEL OF ALL SAINTS**  
**Monday, May 10, 2010**

**Attendance:** Donna Cameron, Janet Cragin, Rebecca Ethier, Jean Glatiotis, Erika Scarpignato, Rick Scarpignato, Frank Ruggiero, Nick Storrs, Lois Filiau

**Absent:** Beverly Cafer

1. **Opening Prayer:** the meeting began at 7:03 p.m. with prayers led by Nick. Janet will lead prayers at June meeting.
2. **Previous Minutes:** A motion to approve the minutes of the April vestry meeting was made by Erika and seconded by Jean. The motion passed unanimously.

3. **Treasurer's Report:**

We are at a \$9300 surplus for the year. However, this includes the legacy of \$10,000 from Mary Goodnow's estate and the \$4000 that was moved from savings accounts earlier this year. There was discussion around the use of the gift from Mary. It was decided that the gift would be used to sustain the church for the rest of the year. \$4000 would be returned to the savings accounts. The legacy will serve to pay for Hendy's services for the rest of the year. Rick will have Jean Storrs send out a communication about it.

Lenten deficit collection proceeds were \$710. Frank will send 25% to Ginny's Thrift Shop & Pantry.

A motion was made by Rebecca to accept the Treasurer's report which was seconded by Janet. The motion passed unanimously.

4. **Deanery/Canon 16 Report:**

a) **May 16** – Fr. Craig will be off on May 16 and the supply priest that St. Mark's procured broke his foot, so St. Mark's asked if for May 16 All Saints' could worship at St. Mark's and have Hendy celebrate. The request was granted so there will be no services on May 16 at All Saints'. The services will be at 8am and 10am at St. Mark's.

b) **Pentecost invitation on May 23.** Christ Church invited the Deanery to celebrate Pentecost with them on May 23. Discussion ensued as to whether to accept this invitation. Since the Chapel will have no services on May 16 and May 23 is really the last opportunity to celebrate the year's Sunday School, we will decline the offer and have regular services on May 23 at All Saints'. Rick will email Bill Coyne that All Saints' will not be participating in the Pentecost service at Christ Church.

## 5. Bishop's Visit on June 20.

- a) For coffee hour on June 20 we will have a brunch for the Bishop and his wife in lieu of the clergy going out to lunch. Rick will check with the Bishop's secretary to make sure that is acceptable. He will also confirm the time of the service on June 20, but we would like it to remain at 9:30am for the one service. The women of the vestry will work together to get the food figured out. Also there was discussion on whether new tablecloths should be purchased. Erika will contact Erin Willett who had been scheduled for coffee hour that day. At the June 3 Deanery meeting, Rick will extend an invitation to the Deanery to attend All Saints' on June 20.
- b) Vestry meeting with Bishop on June 16: The Bishop has requested to meet with the vestry at 7:00 on the Wednesday prior to his visit. The regular vestry meeting on June 14 will still be held.

## 6. New member/marketing:

- a) **Event planning:** Lois Filiau made a terrific presentation regarding holding an event such as a Friendship Sunday or an Open House. She is in contact with a Christian rock band that has offered to play for no charge, just for free will offering. A member of the band is the postal carrier for the Whalom neighborhood so it would be a good tie-in to get people to come. We could invite all of the parishioners, former parishioners, friends, family, the neighborhood, dance studio, Girl Scouts, etc. Lois has also found out from the Town Clerk that we can get the Lunenburg mailing list for \$.01 per label. We can do direct mailing as well as posters, ads, easels in Gurley Hall for those who use the facilities, word of mouth, etc. Some other ideas are events for the children with flyers for attendees to take home, kickoff of an outreach project, singing of hymns, parish potluck and talent night. The point is to say that All Saints is alive and kicking and we have a lot to offer: stuff for kids, outreach, talent night, etc. The timing should be as soon as possible but with Hendy not here June 27 and July 4 and then with the summer in full swing, it was decided to wait until late summer for back to school time. Lois will check out the dates of August 29 and September 12 with the band. On May 23, Lois will make an announcement at church so a planning committee can be formed and start meeting regularly, possibly every other week.
- b) **Gurley Hall:** Rebecca came up with an idea of putting up a bulletin board for users of Gurley Hall to see along with a flyer to take with them which details what All Saints' has to offer. Many folks using the facilities have a need and hunger for Christ in their lives. The bulletin boards will say what we are doing, what is coming up, have sign up sheets for various activities and provide information on the website. Also, we will look into finding the extra magnets that were created in past years to make them

available. Erika and Rebecca will work on updating the Bulletin Boards with this information.

- c) **Coach:** Frank suggested that we contact Bill Coyne to take him up on his offer of a coach on how to build the parish. Rick will email Bill Coyne to pursue and determine if there is any cost, etc.
  - d) **Plant Swap:** Sharon Fernandes approached Erika about a plant swap where folks could come to the church to exchange plants similar to what Garden Clubs do. It was agreed that this could be done on a Saturday morning, perhaps on June 19 or 26 and held in the memorial garden. Maybe the Sunday School or others could sell beverages as well. Erika will let Sharon that she has the approval to run with it.
  - e) **New member/marketing committee:** There are various folks who volunteered for this committee at the April 28 meeting. Rebecca will coordinate meetings with them to discuss possible marketing methods including the Champion, Pride, Ledger, Cable Access and Sentinel. The current members are: Rebecca Ethier, Jean Glatiotis, Bev Cafer, Lois Filiau, Sharon Fernandes, and Sally Pieksen. If anyone else is interested, please contact the Vestry.
7. **Junior Warden Report:** Only the Daisy girl scouts showed up for the spring clean-up day on May 2. The Altar Guild will clean up the sacristy at another time. The lawn mowing schedule is complete and has been sent out to the volunteers and is up on the website. Jim Ethier coordinated.

There are some Junipers that need to be removed as they are not growing properly. Offers will be made to take them for free if they are removed.

8. **Senior Warden Report:** The all parish meeting on April 28 was moderately attended but all attendees were attentive. Rick indicated at the meeting that he wanted to have some notable growth by October and to have a follow up meeting in the fall to see how far we've come.

Hendy fulfilled his hours of pastoral care for the month of April.

Sue Beauregard is back on June 1 and will return to play the organ on June Sunday 6.

Hendy is taking vacation for the following Sundays: June 27, July 4 and August 8. On June 27 Nick will lead a prayer service. For July 4 we will hold no services but provide a list of available services to parishioners. August 8: TBD.

## 9. New Business:

### a) Nick Storrs:

- 1) Nick provided the letter that Nicholas Valiton wrote about his robotics and a paragraph about the people who supported it to the Champion. It is likely to be published soon.
- 2) Nick had volunteered at the April 28 all parish meeting to investigate rental of the classrooms. He determined there are 11 classrooms and a few are full of stuff that will need to be cleaned out. However, he found out that a non-profit could rent the space in residential zoning with no issues (as long as there are no clinics). Nick asked for agreement on reaching out through a quick ad in the classifieds to advertise the rental space. It was agreed to as well as to charge about \$100 per month for rent of each classroom. The lessee would be responsible for all phone and internet charges as the spaces are not wired.
- 3) Montachusett Interfaith Hospitality Network (MIHN) – Nick is joining the board of this organization. It involves soliciting volunteers to make and serve a meal and then stay overnight at the facility (5:00pm – 7:00am). Nick asked for volunteers at the May 9 service and about 4-5 folks were interested. He would like All Saints' to participate once or twice per week if possible. Discussion ensued about past experiences and possible changes under the new management.

b) Erika Scarpignato: The Willett family is going through a personal crisis, so if anyone can volunteer to make dinner or offer to watch their kids during this difficult time that would be great. Please feel free to contact Erin Willett directly with any offer.

10. Erika made a motion to adjourn at 9:10pm. Jean seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting will be June 14, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca H. Ethier, Clerk