

**Episcopal Church of the Epiphany**  
**Vestry Meeting Minutes**  
**DATE: March 19, 2018**

**In Attendance:**

Vestry - Bonnie Kissler, Brenda Lloyd, Bill Gary, Nancy Chandler, Holly Slater, Annie Strahan, Dennis Edmiston, Clare Schexnyder, Alix Janke, Ann Fowler

Clergy—Benno Pattison

Ex officio – Martha Rummel, Amy Shipp

Absent – Katie Pedersen, Kimberly Bonde

**Prayer and Dinner:**

**Dinner:** Bonnie and Dennis provided a delicious dinner.

**Prayer/Meditation:** Benno lead the meditation, asking the question whom do you want to include in your story. Benno also welcomed Ann Fowler as a new vestry member.

**Minutes and gifts over \$100:** The minutes from the vestry retreat and special budget meeting were presented. It was moved that they be approved. Motion was seconded, and the minutes were unanimously approved. Restricted funds donations from January, all for the Haiti mission, were accepted.

**Rector's Report:** The parochial report was presented and needs to be signed by the rector, the clerk, and the treasurer. The choir had a successful retreat last weekend, preparing music for Holy week. We will be moving pews again this year for Tenebrae, since this configuration was well received last year. A service is being planned for the feast of the Ascension. This will be a choral service. The youth are planning for a pilgrimage to Chicago in July.

**Committee Reports**

**Endowment:** The endowment board presented its recommendations on awarding endowment funds of \$13695.29 for this year from the \$65069.54 requested. The vestry approved the recommendations.

**Stewardship:** Annie reported on the stewardship committee's progress in communicating with the parish through a new blog called "you are invited.info" The vestry members will be writing articles for this blog and for the star. We will begin the process of asking for pledges in August.

Ann Fowler has expressed interest in working in pastoral care and in the area of global mission. She will accompany Sharon and others to Ghana this summer.

**To do list:** The endowment board is considering whether to combine the Harvey fund with the rest of the endowment and how to disburse these funds in the future. Clare is working with Shea and the staff on parish communications. Bonnie is working on a building and grounds manual and maintenance

schedule with Shea and Katie. She will involve our new B&G committee chair, Tom Hairston, in these discussions. Nancy is working on implementing the Darkness to Light training. Parish life is busy with Agape supper and Easter breakfast and invites vestry to assist. Holly would like to ask committees to sponsor a summer breakfast and stewardship committee might find this as a communication and fundraising opportunity.

To do for April: Nancy and Benno will convene a group to explore increasing staff salaries. Nancy, Benno and Sharon will meet with the endowment board to discuss the Harvey fund. Bill and Benno will look into how pledges are coming in for the capital campaign. Annie will continue with the stewardship committee to plan the stewardship campaign. Ann will work with Dennis on establishing a pastoral care committee.

**PRAYER & ADJOURN:**

After a final prayer, the meeting was adjourned.