MINUTES OF THE VESTRY OF EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

Regular Business Meeting November 27, 2022

Present: Julie Baker, Andrew Bolt, Harry Breda, Marsha Gadsden, Laura Warner Gilmer, Jonathan March, Ashley Rector, Joan Romanosky, Rev. Paul Klitzke, and Katie Dickinson

Father Paul called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

Marsha gave the devotional focusing on Colossians 3:12-15. Prayer requests included travelers Suzan and Marsha, the pastor and congregation of Highland Park United Methodist Church, Ben and Enid, Jimmie, Jack and Karen, Lisa, and Tom.

The Vestry then had Centering Time and read the Mission.

Ordinary Business

Andrew moved and Marsha seconded the October minutes as corrected. Motion carried.

Jonathan presented the Financials. We are now under budget instead of over budget. Harry moved and Ashley seconded the Financial Report as presented. Motion carried.

New and Continuing Business

The Vestry reviewed the draft budget as presented. After discussion of the draft budget, the Vestry dismissed Father Paul and moved into a Special Session. After the Special Session was concluded, Father Paul returned, and the Vestry agreed to continue the review of the budget at the December meeting.

The Vestry next discussed plans for the Annual Meeting in January. A request will be sent to Committee Chairs for their reports.

The Vestry talked about new name tags. It was decided that they would be offered to the Congregation for a \$5.00 donation.

Reports

Andrew Bolt, Junior Warden, informed the Vestry that the bushes will be trimmed at the Spring Workday. John Johnson is working on a bid for the new lighting.

Ashley Rector, Senior warden, had nothing to report.

Father Paul informed the group that Cascade Mental Health Counseling has approached him about space. Father Paul said that they would probably use the clergy sacristy. This is a group that partners with churches. Brett Rector is reviewing the contract.

Upcoming events include Passport to Christmas, Lay Eucharist and Acolyte training, and the Longest Night service.

People to thank include Kiera Dunfee; Robert Orton; Brian, Abha, and Evan Kasper; Sally Kittles; Hope Harbeck; Audry Lee; and Judith Marshall.

The meeting was concluded at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Katie Dickinson, Clerk of the Vestry