

St. Paul's Vestry Minutes

June 22, 2025

Gathered by Grace, Sent Forth to Serve

Present: Jo Wittler, Carol Potruzski, Bob Potruzski, Jan Edwards, Kris Mowafy, Marna Franson, Linc Frazier, Fred Cole, David Martin. **Missing"** Trish Slotterback, Dan Rydholm

Opening prayer: Bob

Minutes of meeting from 5/18/25 reviewed and approved by Bob/Jo. Motion passed unanimously.

Agenda reviewed. Items added – dates for meals to Habitat for Humanity and Undercroft. Motion to approve with additions by Bob/Carol. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report – Linc/David. Compilation of the balances of all accounts in QuickBooks was presented and explained.

The Vestry Covenant was passed out to all members. A decision was made to allow members to take the Covenant home to review and reflect on, and all thoughts will be emailed to Jan, who will compile them and present them at our next meeting.

Community Assistance – Marna. Discussion centered on how to best address the needs of individuals who come to, or call, the church with requests for assistance. Marna reported that Messiah Lutheran Church has a system of Social Workers in place who are ready to work with those in need. At this time, we will refer anyone who requests assistance from St. Paul's to Messiah for an appointment. We will invite a representative from Messiah to come to our next meeting to explain their system. A decision will then be made as to whether we adopt that system, or continue to refer people to Messiah.

Sound System Update – Jan. A proposal has been received from Northers Sound and Video. We are still waiting for a bid from Studio 29. Jan will review these proposals and consult with Peter Goodrich on how to proceed.

Building Restoration Grant – Fred reported that we do not need an Historical Preservation Review. A zoom meeting that had been scheduled has been cancelled because it was completed online. The next task is to fill out forms for NFSP for the receiving of half of the funds to be deposited into the Range account. Discussion regarding the price inflation for the tuck pointing and the window restoration. This price has increased from \$270,000 to \$350,00. We are still working on raising capital.

Website update – Marna will speak with Steve Godfrey regarding on how to proceed.

Unicorn Fest was discussed and it was determined that there is not enough energy to proceed with this event.

Marna reports that Jamie Kitchel is going to use space in the church for her home school group to do projects.

Marna proposed that the Vestry approve of money to be spent on purchasing items for Sunday coffee hour and to stock the coffee station. Motion was made to approve of \$40/week for this purpose by Jo/Bob. Motion passed unanimously.

The Diocese has been working on updating the Safe Church Policies. Once completed, these policies will be made available to church leaders, and it will be mandatory for all church leaders to complete online modules based on these policies.

Cemetery plots. Trish has met with the Secants of both Park and Northland Cemeteries. St. Paul's owns 19 plots in these locations for use by any individuals who are in need. Discussion centered on using these plots if the Columbarium was ever needed to be relocated.

Junior Warden Report – Bob.

- Air conditioning – Bob met with an electrician who has recommended that we replace our old unit, instead of adding wall mounted units to the office and conference room. Bob will get 2 bids for this work.
- The coffee station room will be painted next week.
- The sewer smell indicates that we must do a more consistent job of pouring water into the drains in all 3 bathrooms.
- The exterior doors are in need of refinishing.
- The undercroft is in need of cleaning out.

Carol reported that the dates for providing lunches to workers from Habitat for Humanity are August 4 and August 14. We will be seeking volunteers to supply food.

July tasks: Prayers – Jo, Lock-up – Bob

Closing prayer – Bob

Respectfully submitted by Kris Mowafy, Clerk of the Vestry