St. John's Episcopal Church Minutes of the Vestry Meeting October 25, 2020

Present: Fr. Hahneman, R. Bent, H. Brown, D. Campbell, S, Coles, M. Davis, C. Dubow, B.

Futh, D. Gillespie, A. Kalnins, L. Littlefield, S. McFeely, M.B. Witt

Absent: J. Beattie, R. Futh (both excused)

Opening Prayer

Fr. Hahneman opened the meeting with a prayer.

August Minutes

The minutes for the September meeting were approved.

In-Person Meetings

A motion to continue with in-person vestry meetings was approved.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Littlefield reported that approximately 80% of the 2020 pledges have been received, that the parish operating account has a balance of approximately \$80,000 and that the restricted account has a balance of approximately \$13,000.

Foundation Report

Ms. Davis reported that, by the time of the November meeting, she hopes to have a quotation from a contractor for restoration of the church doors. Phil Markert has been assisting in this process.

Building Use Committee Report

Ms. McFeely reported that the rectory rental is proceeding smoothly, that the heating system in the rectory was repaired, and that the tenants may be interested in extending the lease. Francisco and Marjorie continue to reside in the cottage, and they have been very helpful in volunteering for various maintenance projects around the campus.

Warden's Report

Mr. Gillespie thanked Ms. McFeely for the continued success with the deployment of the cottage and the rectory, and the various maintenance issues. Mr. Gillespie also expressed thanks to Ms. Davis for her progress on the Foundation's project for restoration of the church doors.

Priest-in-Charge Report

- 1. Fr. Hahneman amended statements from the September meeting and stated that the parish must complete two items to be in good standing: the parish audit must be received by the ECCT and the parish survey completed. The audit has been forwarded, and completion of the survey is in process.
- 2. Fr. Hahneman is continuing to investigate the possibility of installing solar panels and storage batteries that could provide power in the event of an outage and otherwise reduce electricity costs.
- 3. Fr. Hahneman proposed that the vestry authorize the creation of a nominating committee to determine a slate of candidates to be voted on at the 2021 annual meeting, with the members of the committee to be appointed by Fr. Hahneman. He stated his desire to

- have a balanced slate. The vestry unanimously approved creation of the nominating committee.
- 4. Fr. Hahneman described the NW Convocation and ECCT Convention. Parish attendees included S. Coles, A. Kalnins and M.B. Witt, who added to Fr. Hahneman's report
- 5. Fr. Hahneman and Mr. Littlefield reported on progress in connection with installation of a permanent camera in the church.
- 6. Fr. Hahneman encouraged participation in the parish-wide Zoom meeting with Bishop Douglas on November 11, to discuss the Bishop's Joining Jesus initiative.
- 7. Fr. Hahneman stated that the parish submitted its \$5,000 pledge card for the Camp Washington component of the Joining Jesus initiative.
- 8. Fr. Hahneman discussed a stewardship letter and the vestry undertaking to make pastoral calls to connect with parishioners.
- 9. Fr. Hahneman discussed reorganizing the altar guild in light of the current situation with the pandemic.

The meeting was adjourned with a closing prayer.