September 2024, Regular Vestry Meeting Summary – for Truro News

The Truro Vestry met on September 17, 2024 at 7:00pm in the Common Grounds. The meeting was called to order and Jamie Brown read Acts Chapter 6 noting how often the Apostles would stop and pray. Jamie provided a story by Jim Cymbala and discussed this story of faith about the Brooklyn Tabernacle church's growing dependence on Christ, and how praying believers draw the lost to Christ.

The Vestry moved, seconded, and approved acceptance the following items:

- Vestry Meeting Minutes July 16, 2024 (no meeting in August)
- Financial Reports August Finance Committee, TPK and Trinity Burke

Summary

- 1. A Brief (D) was presented by Annette Niles and approved to activate the Nominating Committee Class of 2028, its membership, Rector and Senior Warden to publish articles in the Truro News, and the Nominating Committee to publish requests for nominations in the Truro News.
- 2. A Brief (D) was presented by Jamie Brown and approved for the vestry and the rector to sign the DOMA form to recommend Catherine Warner for ordination to the Deaconate.
- 3. A Brief (C) Eric Jensen shared his thoughts about the purpose, objectives, and proposed structure of the Outreach Committee in a PowerPoint presentation, and he provided a handout. Eric thanked all who participated in the first Outreach meeting on July 27. He discussed the Outreach Structure, Functions and Groups and identified areas for leaders to think about in maintaining relationships. The vestry prayed in thanksgiving for all of Eric's hard work in support of this new committee.
- 4. Daria Brown, Director of Operations noted that Truro will be switching to a new financial software system at the end of October.
- 5. Jim Osterhaus, Senior Warden, provided the vestry's evaluation results (completed July) of the rector over the past year. The vestry shared thoughts. Jim asked the vestry to think about how we can help Jamie. The vestry laid hands on Jamie and prayed.
- 6. Jamie Brown, Rector, expressed thanksgiving for Alan MacDonald who will be Interim Director of Outreach. He noted that TIPS has maxed out their classroom space and asked us to pray for and to thank Myra, Nahiroby, and Nadiia for their hard work. Work to renew the sanctuary will continue throughout the next two months. Jamie asked for continued prayer for a new Director of Worship. The next newcomer's lunch is on September 29. His Pastoral Retreat will be the first week of October. The fall Membership Lunch will be on Nov 10, followed by an Anglican Essentials lunch on Nov 17. He asked for prayer for the next vestry class and especially prayer to fill the role of Register and asked the vestry to be thinking and praying about this role. He proposed the next vestry half-day retreat to be on October 26 at Van Dyck house (8:30-12:00).
- 7. Jamie Brown concluded the meeting with prayer. We adjourned at 8:42pm.