

Church of the Holy Spirit
Vestry Meeting
Sunday, January 3, 2010

Present:

Rev. Nancy Coon

Ben Adair

Maggie Castleman

Paul Greene

Patricia Hall

Cindy Krudop

Ty Lawrence

Rae McCartney

Aaron Smyth

Penney Dear: Finance Committee Member

Keith Jordan: Finance Committee Member

○ **Pledge and 2010 Budget**

- Penny and Keith presented the 2010 budget and explained how the reserve funds from prior year could be reported; 2009 reserve moved to checking until 2010 pledge payments begin to come in.
- Supply clergy fund increased to allow Rev. Coon to attend CREDO, Cursillo, & Laity Lodge. Ben motioned to add one supply clergy day to the budget; Maggie seconded. Motioned carried.
- Pat motioned that the amended budget be accepted; Maggie seconded the motion. Unanimously passed.
- Paul Greene moved that Vestry discretionary funds be applied to the mortgage. Maggie seconded the motion. Unanimously passed.

○ **Feedback on Pledge Drive Follow-up**

- Thank you notes to congregants who give designated pledges—this item was moved to discussion during Vestry Retreat.
- Ben thanked Vestry members for speaking after the services and for contacting church members about the importance of pledging.

○ **Warden Report**

- Ty Lawrence reported that Hays County will level & straighten Hays Country Acres Rd; the fill dirt from road reconstruction will be put on ECHS property behind the sign (quarry area) and compact it. Reconstruction will begin in early spring.
- HEB fill dirt to be placed in overflow parking lot area.
- Vestry needs to consider where a building or play field may be placed. Building or field would move off from wildlife exemption to religious exemption.

- **Holy Spirit 25th Anniversary/Birthday Celebration**
 - Maggie explained that next Sunday (@ Men's breakfast & congregation meeting) the church birthday cake with flameless candles will be presented to congregation. "Pledges" of items (flames) will be added to the candles as members sign up to give gifts.
 - Gifts will be presented on Feb. 14
 - Lunch will be an organized pot luck; very simple
 - Invitations to celebration via evites

- **Annual Congregational Meeting: Sunday, January 10, 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM**
 - Comments and Questions about the budget will be taken.
 - Birthday Celebration plans will be presented

- **Congregational Luncheon: Sunday, January 24, 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM**
 - This luncheon honors our new members, but all are invited.

- **Vestry Retreat: Friday Evening and Saturday, January 29-30**
 - Locations:
 - Friday at Maggie's house (Time TBA)
 - Saturday at the church 8:30 AM - 4 PM
 - Retreat Issues:
 - "Grunt Issues" such as Vestry communicator & money counter
 - How to invite people to get involved in lay ministries
 - Service and Outreach outside the church

Jeanne Payne
Clerk