

Trinity Vestry Meeting – strategic focus
07.18.2024

In attendance: Andy Currier, Cathy Cowling, Tami Goodwin, Fr. Chris Corbin, Steve Goodwin, Megan Thoman, John King

1. Prayed in by the group
2. Dwelling in the Word - 1 Corinthians 2:6-16
3. Consent Agenda Items – accepted
 - a. June 2024 minutes
 - b. Treasurer’s report
 - c. Rector’s report
4. Fr. Chris is doing a KFC Foundation grant; requires both a mission and vision statement
 - a. Mission = what you do; Vision = where to you want to be?
 - b. Purpose: Forming disciples of Christ in the Anglican tradition who share Goes saving love in greater Oshkosh
 - c. Note that this is temporary to satisfy the terms of grant and will be revisited
5. Values Conversation – might be helpful to look at the values identified earlier and discuss where we are living into these values (that’s active vs aspirational), and what can we do to challenge ourselves to make the aspirational ones more real? **Bold face is our leading edge.**
 - a. Prayer
 - i. What part of prayer is personal and individual, and **what part of prayer is communal (not Sunday worship)?**
 - b. Genuine hospitality – openness to the stranger who is vulnerable and welcoming them into the community (not just the institution)
 - i. **How do we invite people into our lives? Outside of worship? Do we?**
 - ii. **What does it look like to invite people into our homes? Do we?**
 - iii. **What about opening the church on super cold days and just saying, “Come in, have some coffee, take a nap, be warm for a bit”**
 - iv. Creative Innovation: we **aren’t great with the “reflective learning” either way: “when we plan something new, we hope always to plan a ‘debrief”**
 - c. **Young people – go beyond recognizing to prioritizing**
 - d. **Active Social Justice**
 - e. Service
6. *Faith Formation in a Secular Age* (Andrew Root) is a recommended book
7. Children’s ministry is struggling to find teachers who aren’t parents of the children
8. **If you weren’t on vestry then, read Growing Young; if you were on Vestry, review it**
9. Choosing our delegates to the Diocesan Convention
 - a. We can choose three delegates
 - b. Convention is 5 October in Stevens Point
10. Prayed out by the group
11. Adjourned at 8:20 PM

Next generative meeting will be in October; **our next meeting is September 19.** NO meeting in August.

Respectfully submitted,

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Vestry Clerk