Vestry Notes September 2022

St. Helena's Vestry held a regular monthly meeting on September 20.

Present: Sr. Warden Matt Boutte, Jr. Warden Kyle Fiedler, Cindy Glick, Sarah Davis, Gary Frasier, Jennifer Shelby, Adam Groenhuyzen, James Nitschke, The Rev. David Read, The Rev. Brian Fox, Jamie George, Ann Shorter.

Devotional & Introductions: Jennifer Shelby led the Vestry in a devotional. The Vestry welcomed Jamie George, our new Curate, to her first meeting of the Vestry and made introductions.

Sub Committee Time: Administration, Buildings & Grounds, & Mission.

Rector's Time: David Read gave thanks and led a discussion regarding the success of the Fall Kick Off at Camp Capers. 315 attended the event. The responses to the question, "I Want a Church That ______," were very inspiring. Well over 100 folks turned in information regarding ministries and fellowship groups. The Rector reviewed the Stewardship Timeline with October 16 as Pledge Sunday.

Sr. Warden: Mattt Boutte shared insights from the Diocesan event, "We Shall Continue...and How!" which was held in San Marcos in September. Great music from Radney Foster. Inspiring words from The Rev. Becca Stevens. Practical workshops on a variety of subjects. St. Helena's continues to be blessed in our recovery from the pandemic. He also shared information and the timeline for the upcoming election of a Bishop Coadjutor for West Texas which will take place on February 18, 2023 at Diocesan Council in Corpus Christi. A Diocesan profile has been released and can be viewed at www.dwtx.org.

Administration Committee: The Vestry adopted the minutes from the August meeting. The financial reports for August, and the year-to-date reports, were reviewed and adopted. The Vestry adopted an addendum to the Employee Handbook to keep employees within the bounds of federal laws which prohibit carrying weapons on our school campus.

Buildings & Grounds: Kyle Fiedler reported on bids he obtained to repair or replace doors on Wendler Hall where locking mechanisms have worn out. This is the number one priority of the joint Church-School Security Committee. New accessible pathways linking the 508 N. Main Property to the rest of the campus have been completed.

Mission: Sarah Davis reported on Moms in Prayer; the October Dinner Series, and plans for the Angel Tree Christmas outreach project.

School: St. Helena's School is hosting a fundraising concert on Oct. 8 at Roundup. Tickets and tables are available on-line.