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Annual Parish Report January 29, 2017

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Minutes 2015 Annual Meeting

117th Annual Meeting, All Saints' Episcopal Church
Loveland, Colorado, January 24 , 2016

Clerk: Sandy Boatman

Tellers: Dianne & Carl Peterson

Call to Order: Nina Churchman, , 10:45 am

Opening Prayer: Rev. Nina Churchman

Members in Attendance: 70 which established a quorum.

Rev. Nina Churchman Remarks

Nina mentioned the accomplishments of the year including adopting a new mission statement, raising funds for the organ, and then she proceeded to thank all of the people who helped her out during the year.

Senior Warden Report, Mickey Wiltz

Mickey reiterated his remarks from his report, praising our church the community and all the outreach we were able to accomplish.

Junior Warden's Report, Dianne Peterson and Rick Parker

Rick recognized all the hard work of Steve Williamson and Dave Wilson, and the major accomplishments including repaving the parking lot, redecoration of the basement, and the successful spring and fall clean up days.

Treasurer's Report: John Culler

John announced finance and fund balances are in good shape and we also were able to raise the funds for the organ. Income was right on track and expenses actually were a little under budget.

Vestry Nomination and elections

Three vestry members were nominated for 3 year terms, and one person was nominated to fill the spot of Paul Rimsky. Roy Eibert, Richard Berryman and Roseanne Knight were all elected for three year terms, and Sandy Boatman was elected to fill the final year of Paul Rimsky's one year term.

New Business

The only new business was additional recognition of the choir by Andy Chrisman and special recommendation of Nina by Dave Wilson.

Adjournment

The Reverend Nina Churchman closed with a prayer at 11:18, and the meeting was adjourned.

Senior Warden's Report

All Saints finds itself once again in transition and finding a new Rector. This may cause some anxiety in some. I have no anxiety in that regard. I am confident The Lord will send us a Rector to help us in our spiritual life. We have already been sent Father Doug Dunn as interim to help us while we search. Through the transitions we have traveled the past few years we have had one constant, us. All Saints is not a building. The true brick and mortar are the men and women who gather together to pray, give thanksgiving, and ask forgiveness from the wonderful Lord we worship. Our greatness is in the countless times, that countless people step up to help each other, or help others through outreach. God has truly blessed All Saints. But All Saints is changing, evolving. Our demographics are changing. We need to give some prayer and consideration to how we proceed from here. Spiritual development, outreach, pastoral care, How can we improve? Where are we called to serve? What are the best uses of our resources? I am truly thankful for this parish and all it does. All Saints is truly Blessed.

Junior Warden's Report

2016 was another busy year for your Junior Wardens and friends.

- ◆ We held successful spring and fall clean-up days,
- ◆ Tables were repaired and all tables and chairs cleaned,
- ◆ Sprinkler heads were replaced and leaks repaired,
- ◆ Weeds were pulled or sprayed,
- ◆ Two of the gardens were redone,
- ◆ Pre-emergence herbicide was applied to the lawn and it was fertilized, aerated and regularly mowed,
- ◆ The electronic bulletin board (i.e. the TV in the Narthex) was purchased and installed,
- ◆ Dead trees were cut down, branches cut up and tree stumps were removed,
- ◆ The Narthex was painted and new carpeting installed,
- ◆ Sanctuary radiators were vacuumed and molding was installed to cover the sprinkler wires,
- ◆ The heating and air conditioning system was inspected and maintained,
- ◆ The dishwasher, freezer, refrigerator and coffee maker were repaired,
- ◆ The emergency exit signs and smoke/CO2 alarms were maintained and repaired as needed,
- ◆ Clocks were changed to reflect the time changes,
- ◆ Burnt out light bulbs were replaced including several parking lot lights,
- ◆ A grant was submitted for a free automated external defibrillator(AED). The AED was received and training was held,
- ◆ The shed was cleaned out, damaged fascia and siding were replaced and the shed was scraped and caulked.

2017 promises to be another busy year. Goals include:

- ◆ Cleaning the Parish Hall carpet,

- ◆ Redecorating the Narthex,
 - ◆ Reorganizing storage spaces to work harder for us,
 - ◆ Thoroughly cleaning the freezer and refrigerator,
 - ◆ Painting the shed,
 - ◆ Mapping the sprinkler heads,
 - ◆ Replanting more of the flower beds, and
 - ◆ Planting more trees in the northwest section of the property.
- A special thank you to everyone who helped maintain our church building and grounds!

Treasurer's Report

I am pleased to advise everyone that we ended 2016 with the finances of All Saints in very good condition, building on the favorable position we ended 2015. This year, we have been blessed to be able to have raised enough funds to buy new carpet for the narthex and paint for the narthex. Our income was slightly below budget at 98%, with pledge income coming in at 95% of budget. However, our facilities use income was 148% of budget and seems to grow monthly.

Our expenses came in under budget at 94% of budget, so even though our income was only 98% of budget, we were ahead for the year. That plus income - \$11,262 - is being added to our contingency fund.

Where we are is a testimony to the love we have of God, our love for our parish, our love for each other and for the Episcopal Church in general and our love for our Loveland community. We have worked together in fellowship on many levels and for many causes. As a parish we have been blessed.

Thank you and God bless you!

Stewardship Report

Once again last year's Consecration Sunday stewardship Program was a success. Jeanne Berryman headed up the group and thanks go out to all who participated. A special thanks also goes out to all the parishioners who pledged support for our parish. We had an increase of 2.4% in pledges submitted (85 last year compared to 83 in 2015) and we had an increase of 5.1% in total dollars (\$237,091 last year compared to \$225,646 in 2015) pledged.

Outreach

Outreach empowers the parish by providing opportunities to encourage and support efforts within the church and outside the church. The outreach ministry is currently in a state of flux as to its formal structure but the list below are some of the projects All Saints was involved in last year.

All Saints Family Sheltering Ministry, Night Emergency Cold Weather Shelter, Community Kitchen, Thanksgiving Dinner Baskets, Operation Christmas Child, Paint Our Town, Colorado Haiti Project, Collection location for Homeless, All Saints Community Garden, and Beyond our Four Walls. If you interested in our outreach efforts let Carl or Judy Crosby know as we are planning to move forward with what we are doing and see how we can better structure other outreach efforts.

Parish Visitor Ministry

The Parish Visitor Ministry offers pastoral care to the parish through visitation. As Christians, we seek to help and care for parishioners through listening, support, encouragement and friendship. We provide a church connection to people in hospitals, care centers or at home. Those parishioners who are licensed Eucharistic Visitors take communion to those who are unable to attend services. .

Spiritual Formation Commission

Spiritual Formation: There were a wide variety of Spiritual Formation offerings in 2016. A large group read and discussed the book Unbinding the Gospel. A smaller group studied the Gospel of Mark. There was a DVD class The Book of Genesis with Bill Moyers and a class on how to establish your own personal Rule of Life. We watched several movies as a group including the movie Risen. And there was a communion class for children. Watch for more exciting offerings in 2017.

Renewal Works: The entire parish was asked to take a Spiritual Life Inventory in the fall of 2016. We were very happy with the 70% participation rate. A committee formed to review our results and best practices in other churches met in four lengthy workshops in October, November and December. They will be making recommendations to the Vestry at their January meeting. The parish will hear a brief overview at the Annual Meeting in January and more detailed information will be shared as part of the Lenten Soup Suppers in March and April, 2017.

St. Martha's Guild

St. Martha's Guild meets on the first Thursday of the month at 1p.m. in Ford Hall. All Women of the church are members of the Guild. Our purpose is to share Christian love to each other and the community. Our programs consist of information about community resources, help for community projects, help for those in need, and help with programs and needs at All Saints Episcopal Church. Our fund raising projects consist of holding a bazaar every year. Information can be found in your Bible regarding Martha; Luke; 10: 38-42, and in John 11: 1-12:8. We strive to honor the information in the Bible at our gatherings. Ann Washnock, President. 667-6654 with questions or ann.butterfly06@gmail.com

The All Saints Bazaar was held November 19, 2016, and was a great success. A big THANK YOU to everyone involved for helping to raise almost \$3,000! This year's proceeds will go to help the Boy Scout troop that meets in the church, the Colorado Haiti Project, homeless in Loveland and to get some much needed items for the kitchen to make preparing and serving all our wonderful meals easier. Next year's Bazaar will again be the Saturday before Thanksgiving on November 18, 2017. Please put that date on you calendar and plan to come. If you have any questions, please contact Phylinda Romero at 970-667-4434.

Altar Guild

The altar guild is responsible for providing and caring for items used in worship, such as silver vessels, linens, vestments, candles, flowers, banners, wine and bread. Teams of two people prepare for the service and take down and clean items afterwards. They dust and vacuum the sanctuary before Sunday services. We could use more members especially for the first service. Please speak to either Ginny Tompkins or Nancy Riddell if you are interested.

Snack-n-Chat

Snack and Chat meets every Monday morning from 9 am to 11 am at the Church, usually in the Parish Hall. This is a casual group of women who enjoy fellowship, sharing time together and enjoying snacks which we take turns bringing. Some members bring their craft projects to work on, color in adult coloring books or simply enjoy the time together. Please join us or if you have any questions, please contact Phylinda Romero at 970-667-4434.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Members of this ministry have been meeting with Snack and Chat on Monday mornings or working on shawls on their own. The shawls are then blessed by the priest and given to members of the parish who are having a difficult time - whether surgery, illness, death in the family or other issues. We were able to give an afghan to a man recently and it was greatly appreciated. We are working to get better communication between makers of shawls, parishioners in need, pastoral care committee etc. If you would like to know more about this ministry, please join us on Monday mornings or call Phylinda Romero at 970-667-4434

Children and Youth Ministry

We have continued with our Godly Play curriculum for the kids aged 4yrs to 3rd grade. We have an average attendance of 5-7 kids each Sunday. For the older class 4th grade and up we started the Whole People of God curriculum. We have 3 teachers who teach 1 Sunday a month. The kids seem to be enjoying the new curriculum: they can talk about real world problems and look at scripture for answers. We performed a new Christmas pageant this year: "Benjamin's Top." The kids had speaking lines and it was a great success. They all had a great time and did an excellent job memorizing their lines.

Prayer Chain

All Saint's has an active Prayer Chain comprised of a special group of parishioners that will pray for your loved ones or for any other need. Call Joan Gustafson, Donna Rose, or the church office, and give information concerning the need for prayer. Prayers are passed through the prayer chain for ten days unless further prayers are needed. Prayer is important! God hears and answers! The prayer list is revised each month so let us know to continue your particular prayer request.

Meals to Families

The ministry of Meals to Families in need benefits parish families that are going through a stressful time whether a member was just released from the hospital, a death in the family, received a newborn into the family, or moved into a new home. This ministry makes the families feel that someone cares about them and they are not alone in their struggle. It also gives the providers a sense of satisfaction in helping someone in need. This is strictly a volunteer group of providers that are called upon by the ministries coordinator to provide a meal. Currently we are looking for a volunteer to help with this ministry.

Health Ministry

The parish nurses have been active at All Saints since 1998. The formal designation of Parish Nurses has been recognized by the American Nurses Association for over 20 years, and offers advanced training in this, one of the newest specialties in the nursing field, even though nurses have been working in faith communities for centuries. Our program focuses on the promotion of health: physical, mental and emotional. within our parish family and the support of parishioners who are dealing with illness and other medical issues. We visit parishioners in the hospital or at home when requested by the parishioner or the priest. We encourage good health practices with informative articles available in the church library. We take blood pressures the first Sunday of the month following both services. We cooperate with community resources such as McKee Medical Center (flu shot program) and the annual blood draw of Bonfils Blood Bank.

We are so pleased that thanks to our community (a donation from the McKee Medical Center Foundation) we have an automated external defibrillator (AED) at the church. It is located next to the north entrance of the church and we encourage all parishioners to become familiar with the AED and learn how you can help if it is needed.

There are three nurses helping with this ministry; Ann Washnock, Sharon Pierce, and Adele de Ryk. If there are other nurses or health professionals would like to participate in this rewarding ministry we welcome you! We are all grateful for the opportunity to serve our parish family and if you need our service let any of us know or contact us through the office.

Memorial Committee

The Memorial Committee meets quarterly, on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. This is a change from our previous meeting date of the 3rd Thursday. We review the Memorial funds that have been given to All Saints' in memory of our parishioners who have died. We check with the family members and use the funds according to their wishes.

The Tranquility Garden was begun and finished this year - and under budget! Thanks to Doug Bachli, who donated the flagstone, including the benches and table. There is still some money in the Tranquility Garden fund which will go towards

planting some trees in various places on the church grounds, in the spring. Our original chair of the Banner project moved away, so we hope to find a new chair person and get started on that project soon. We would like to have new Easter banners. Our Committee continues to meet at 4 p.m. in the Library. Members include Ginny Mortenson, Marilyn Tuttle, Sandy Boatman, Mary Gullikson and Marsha Rech.

Columbarium Committee

In 2016 there were four inurnments in the All Saints' Church Columbarium. In addition several parishioners purchased spots for future use. The Columbarium Committee met and agreed to continue to slowly and steadily accrue money towards future expansion. Committee membership changed in 2016. The committee now consists of Jay Belote, Sathi Bunyan, Rick Parker (chair), Chris Trimble and Ann Washnock.

In Memoria

**Steve Williamson
Joanne Sutton
Richard Berryman
Les Cornwell**

The Hospitality Committee

This group of volunteers helps with the coordination, set up, serving, and clean up of major events at All Saints. The events include, but are not limited to Lenten Suppers, Shrove Tuesday, Easter Brunch, Pentecost, All Saints Celebration, Retirement Parties, Welcoming Events, Annual Church Picnic, and the Annual Parish (and Pie) meeting and whatever other celebrations or All Parish events are requested. The Committee consists of some very hardworking and very faithful volunteers who come back event after event to set up and take down tables and chairs, wash hundreds of dishes and help with food service and cleaning of the kitchen.

Music Department

There is **much** to celebrate in the musical life of our congregation, and there are many people to thank! This report aims to both celebrate exciting events and projects we have undertaken in the past year and to inform the congregation of some ongoing goals.

Children's Music Time: The Sunday School Children have been meeting at 10:00 AM for 15 minutes of music every Sunday morning before Sunday School begins. This has allowed us to continue to learn the first verse of a well-known hymn or an appropriate children's song to sing at the offertory about once a month. If music is portable theology, then it is my hope that the children will carry these texts all the days of their lives.

Seasonal Service Music and Hymnal Supplements: This year we have continued to use a number of non-Hymnal 1982 music resources to add variety to the worship service. In order to create a more accessible worship experience we have continued to put the service music and supplemental music directly into the worship bulletin. Thank you, Carl Peterson, for all your work in helping our services be more accessible.

Special Music and Guest Musicians: It is very exciting to host our regular music events each year! We also had some new special events. In June, we welcomed back the Annual Trombone Ensemble. On All Saints' Sunday, we had our fifth annual Dixieland service with music by the Poudre River Irregulars. Additional special music was provided by Kent Olson, R. Anthony Lee (organ), Andy Crisman (organ, trombone, trumpet, and voice) and Danielle Crisman (voice and string bass). In Advent, we also enjoyed special music from David and Vallery Smalley, Correy Peterson, and Herbie Crisman. We have also engaged local vocalist Nick Marconi for choral support from time to time.

Adult Choir: This year the Adult Choir has had a regular attendance of between 12 and 15 faithful members. The Adult Choir prepared anthems for the 10:15 AM, Sunday services at least 3 weeks each month and for special seasonal services in Christmas, Lent and Easter. During 2015, we met on Tuesday nights at 7 PM and on Sunday mornings at 9 AM. We could really use a few more tenor and bass voices! If you are interested in singing with us, please talk with Andy or Danielle or just come to a rehearsal. There is no audition or experience required! Singing with the new organ is super fun. We have so many more options available for accompanying both the congregation and the choir.

Johannus Organ: Dan Bashor and Andy Crisman continued to work together to voice our new organ. The variety of tone colors now available to our palette is fantastic. We are STILL trying to finish programming all the wonderful hymns that were sponsored during the fund drive! Thank you for your support in adding the new organ to our worship experience.

NOTES

All Saints' Episcopal Church

Our Mission

**To call all people
to unity with God
and each other in Christ**

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