

**VESTRY MINUTES**  
**Sunday, April 16, 2023**

PRESENT: Linda Bourque, Katie Chipman-Bergsma, Nikki Clark, Sandy DePlonty, Ruth Neveu, Steve Stiling, Cal Woodard; ABSENT: None; GUEST: Susan Harries, Gin Mannisto.

1. **Opening:** Linda Bourque opened the meeting at 11:28 a.m. with a prayer.
2. **Review:** Agenda no changes
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **Ministry Support Team:** Gin indicated MST has been meeting by zoom at this time but will be meeting in person as the weather improves. She will come over at least once if not twice a month. Susan thanked everyone for everything and how it all came together for Easter. A discussion followed regarding music and microphones.
5. **Review/Approval of Vestry Minutes** March 19, 2023: Motion to approve the minutes made by Katie Chipman-Bergsma with a second by Nikki Clark. No opposition or abstentions, motion carried.
6. **Treasurer's / Endowment / Budget Approval:** Sandy DePlonty discussed the treasurers' report. Expenses were up for the month due to the DTE bill. Discussion ensued regarding how the DTE energy bill was calculated. Discussion about whether to prorate or not and how to budget it. Discussion of the Killan account and A.G. Edwards accounts. The report is available on file in the office.
7. **Committee Reports**
  - a. **Christian Education** – None
  - b. **ECW Report** – Plates are needed at this time.
  - c. **Outreach** – None
8. **Senior Warden's Report:** None
9. **Junior Warden's Report:** Cal Woodard reported that we now have in town an electronic recycling center available now in the Sault, Reina Recycling and Resource Center on Fort Street. He advocated that we do a letter to the congregation letting them know this is now available. Cal has a letter from Willet and Hauser associated crafts preserving the past for the future campaign, they will take a look at our stain glass windows to inspect for preservation, etc for no cost. Sandy Deplonty made a motion to go ahead with an inspection of the stained-glass windows Katie Chipman-Bergsma seconded motion. No opposition or abstentions, motion carried. Cal Woodard reported on the various grants and loans that may or may not be available to accomplish the fan project. Gin has contacted Dick Graybill about a loan etc. Cal would like to get a hold of Dick Graybill as well. Steve will check on the possibility of getting a loan from A.G. Edwards. Discussion of the timeline of getting the project done. Discussion of getting it done so that our energy bill will decrease soon, and the system will pay for itself.

Regarding the fan/desertification/lighting project Cal Woodard will need to get a hold of the city inspection department, electrical engineers, and Ranke for electrical and safety requirements. Therefore, once this project gets going there may be an increase in the cost of the project. Also, we may want to reach out to the congregation for financial assistance for the project. Cal Woodard motioned that we move forward with reaching out to Ranke for a date, and City Engineers for inspections/permits

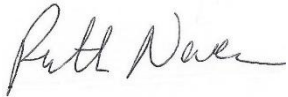
needed and researching funds/grants/loans possibly a DOE Grant. Katie Chipman-Bergsma seconded. No opposition or abstentions, motion carried. Discussion of the color of the desertification units and keeping the units aesthetically correct for the building. Also, we may want to talk to the stained-glass preservation people regarding their opinion of the color and if the fans would have an effect on the windows. Katie commented that people may be more inclined to donate knowing we have everything researched etc. for the project.

12. **Old Business:** Cal Woodard will be contacting Ryan Averill for the windows, which will be around \$2,000, and Cub McCord for the masonry work which has already been approved.

13. **Next Vestry Meeting:** May 21, 2023 – 11 a.m.

14. **Adjournment and Closing Prayers:** Motion to adjourn made by Cal Woodard with a second by Sandy DePlonty. No opposition or abstentions, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 12:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ruth Neveu".

Ruth Neveu  
Clerk of the Vestry