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CLERK: Bill McKenna, Betty Mahon, Nancy Sawyer,  
Marge Halloran, Sherley Thom. Jim Spall,  
Nan Gulliver

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**TO EVERYONE YOUNG AND OLD  
WHO DONATED, PLANNED, WORKED, ATE, LAUGHED,  
COOKED, SERVED, AND SANG  
AT OUR FUN STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL**

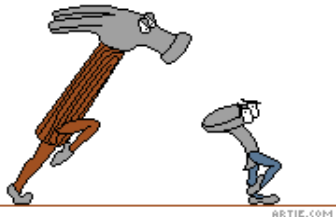
*This copy of the Trinity Chapel Newsletter is a brief catch -up on what has been going on behind the scenes since June 1st. I will insert minutes of the Rectory Restoration Committee meeting and the Vestry meeting that was held on June 28. Plus a musing or 2.*

*Lyn Doran, Sr. Warden, Newsletter Editor*

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**Minutes from Rectory Restoration Fund Meeting,**

**Friday, June 18**



Minutes from the Rectory Renovation Committee meeting,  
Friday, June 18, 2021

Present: Karla Leonard; Jean Reed; Meredith Marcinkewicz;  
Nancy Shepherd; Nan Gulliver; Chet and Stephanie

# Update on Bret's work at Trinity Chapel and the rectory:

1. Bret has been cleaning out debris from the yard and putting parts of the dilapidated studio into the dumpster.
2. Bret will clean out the old refrigerator in the barn and plug it back in for the strawberry festival.
3. Bret removed the storm windows from the outside of the chapel and put them in the granary. He will now move them to the furnace room under the chapel.
4. Bret will put the old green cooler near Shepherd Hall steps into the dumpster.

# Chet and Stephanie will meet with the carpenter, Ford Ogden, at the rectory this coming week to look at the condition of the rotting boards in the back of the house and give us advice on what to do next. The painter, Bill Lombardi, has already given us an estimate for painting the rectory but has said that he won't be able to paint until the rotting wood is replaced.

# Guthrie Brothers has finished paving the parking lot and rectory driveway with large stones and left some stones near the dumpster, which Guthrie Brothers will smooth over, once the dumpster is removed. Guthrie Brothers has been paid \$1,800.00 for their work.

# Nan has left hostas at the rectory, which she and Shawn will plant by the rectory front doors.

# Report on the Restoration Fund

1. Chet reported that after we paid our expenses, we now have a balance of \$11, 265. 05
2. Jean will meet via zoom in July with the Rev. Ed Cardoza and Sherley Thom to discuss campaign strategies.
3. In July, Jean will also meet with Marge Halloran and Sherley Thom to talk about adding to the ASK letter.

Our next meeting will be in three weeks on July 9 at 9 am.

Respectively submitted,  
Stephanie Hooper, Jr. Warden

## TRINITY CHAPEL VESTRY MINUTES

Rev. Suzanne Wade / Stephanie Hooper

Minutes of the Trinity Chapel Vestry meeting, June 20, 2021 after the 11 am service

Present: The Rev Suzanne Wade; Nan Gulliver; Betty Mahon; Sherley Thom; Jim Spall; Chester Hooper; Stephanie Hooper; Donna King; Lyn Doran

Absent: Marge Halloran; Bill McKenna; Nancy Sawyer

The Meeting began at 12.15 pm with an opening prayer, led by Lyn Doran.

The vestry decided to delay the approval of the April and May minutes until the next vestry meeting, July 19<sup>th</sup>.

The Vestry reviewed the E-mail votes from May/ June for approval of the \$595.00 two- week rental of a dumpster. The approval passed with seven yeas and no nays. Stephanie mentioned that Bret had not finished using the dumpster even though the rental agreement had ended, so Bret agreed to pay the extra \$5 a day for the use of the dumpster until he finished his work.

Sherley Thom spoke about the idea of having an 'invite a friend to church Sunday'. The vestry decided to designate Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, as a day to invite a friend to church and noted that this special day might be a good time for families to bring children, as well. There was talk of having another bring a friend to church day in the Fall.

### ***Stephanie updated the vestry on the Rectory Renovation Committee meetings.***

1. Bret has been filling the dumpster with debris from the dilapidated studio and from the yard.
2. Bret has agreed to clean out the refrigerator in the barn so that it will be ready for the Strawberry Festival.
3. The Carpenter, Ogden Ford, will meet Chet and Stephanie at the rectory next week to look at the rotting wooden boards at the back of the rectory. The painter, Bill Lombard, has given us an estimate for the cost of painting the rectory once the rotting boards are replaced.
4. Bret removed the wooden storm windows at the Chapel as well as the cover for the large window fan and will store them in the furnace room under the chapel.
5. Guthrie Brothers has graded and lined the parking lot and rectory driveway with ¾ inch stones and has left a pile of stones next to the dumpster which Guthrie Brothers will put in place once the dumpster is removed. Guthrie Brothers has been paid \$1,800 for its work.
6. The Renovation Fund has \$ 11, 265.05 in it. Jean will zoom with the Rev, Ed Cardoza and Sherley Thom in July to talk about ways to increase the Fund. Jean will also meet with Marge Halloran and Sherley Thom in July to talk about ways of adding to the ASK fund raising letter.

### ***Memorial Garden—Nan Gulliver***

Nan is going to ask for volunteers to weed the Memorial Garden. She is planning to put a bucket near the Memorial Garden, into which she will put gardening tools, insect spray and a diary for people to record their thoughts about their weeding

**VESTRY MINUTES continued**

Jim invited any interested people to join his Gardening Group. Emily Faucher has already begun to help take care of the garden. Jim also asked if anyone objected to his removing the small tree at the side of Shepherd Hall. There were no objections. Nan volunteered to help Jim dispose of the tree. The Vestry thanked Jim for his amazing work in the garden.

Chet gave a finance report, which was accepted, subject to revisions in the payroll accounting.

The Rev. Suzanne brought up the fact that Internet and WiFi are needed now at Trinity Chapel. Covid restrictions are lifting, and we are planning to have programs in Shepherd Hall in the Fall. These programs should also be available over WiFi. We continued to talk about different WiFi options and then agreed that we would talk further about the various options at our next vestry meeting. Meredith Marcinkewicz agreed to work with the Rev. Suzanne on this project.

The Rev. Suzanne reminded us of her summer vacation plans, in which she will be away four Sundays.

July 11- St Mark's will host a Morning Prayer service at 9 am, to which both parishioners at Trinity Chapel and St Marks are invited.

July 18- The Rev Nancy Shepherd will celebrate Communion and preach at Trinity Chapel at 11 am.

Parishioners from Trinity Chapel and St Marks are all invited

August 15- St Marks will host Morning Prayer at 9 am. Parishioners from both St Marks and Trinity Parish are invited. Bob Parsons and his son will be participating in the service.

Sept 5- Labor Day. The Rev Nancy Shepherd will celebrate communion at Trinity Chapel at 11 am. Meredith Marcinkewicz will preach the sermon.

Also.

Sept 26- The Archdeacon for the Diocese of Massachusetts will preach on line and then meet with parishioners afterwards at Trinity Chapel to talk and answer questions about the Diocese.

After The Rev Suzanne led us in a closing prayer, the meeting was adjourned at 1.40 pm.

Respectively submitted,

Stephanie Hooper

## VESTRY MINUTES ADDENDUM

Hi Vestry Friends:

Here are some additions and corrections to the minutes I sent on June 20.

1. In addition to inviting people to join the Trinity Chapel Garden Group that Jim Spall is organizing; we also asked people to share feedback about the plantings that we already have or are planning to ut in place. We designated Sunday, July 4th and Sunday July 18th as days when people could talk to Jim further about gardening plans for the Chapel property.
2. We agreed that although Meredith was not at the Vestry meeting, we could ask her if she could work with Suzanne on the WIFI project.
  - The Rev. Chris Beukman, the Archdeacon for the Diocese of Massachusetts will preach at Trinity Chapel on Sunday, September 26th and give a presentation in Shepherd Hall. He will speak about his job as a Deacon of the Diocese. Suzanne hopes to live stream this presentation so people at St. Mark's can participate.
- 3a. Painting the Rectory.
  - Although I am not sure we mentioned at the vestry meeting the estimated costs for painting the rectory and replacing the rotten wood at the back.
  - Preparing, scraping and painting the Rectory using Benjamin Moore paint will cost \$13,000
- 3b. Removing and replacing the rotten wood at the back of the rectory will cost ap proximately \$30,000-40.000 depending, too, on the condition of the building behind the rotten wood.
4. *The good news is the North Bennet School may be interested in supervising its students in the preservation carpentry class as they work at the rectory, removing and replacing the damaged wood. When that is done, he can better judge the scope of the job. I will ask Bret if he can take the pictures that his school needs.. I have promised the school that I will send photos to them this coming week.*
5. *The Department Head said that they are booking jobs now for the fall of 2022. Als o I am happy to report that the gutter and downspout at the porch in the front of t he rectory has now been installed by Fred Shoemaker.*

*Thanks again for all your support and hard work*

*Stephanie, Junior Warden*

## PLEASE SAVE THE DATES

**July 10—July 17:** Rev. Suzanne's vacation

**Friday, July 9th,** on zoom Rectory Restoration committee meeting

**Sunday, July 11—**Morning Prayer At St. Mark's, 75 Cold Spring Rd. in Westford. The service begins at 9:00 a.m.

**Sunday, July 18th** Holy Eucharist will be held at Trinity, 11:00 a.m. Rev. Nancy Shephard will be preaching. The service will be outdoors, weather permitting.

**Monday, July 19th—**Vestry Meeting @ 4:00 p.m.

**Sunday, August 15** Morning prayer will be at St. Mark's, led by Bob Parsons and Don Parsons

**Sunday, August 22—**Chet and Stephanie will host Holy Eucharist and picnic brunch.

**Sunday, September 26,** Archdeacon from the Diocese of Boston to speak.

### FLOWERS

If you want to bring flowers on a particular Sunday, please tell Nancy Shepherd in advance. Her telephone number is 978-897-6120.

### TRINITY PRAYER LIST

The Pastoral Care group would like to know if you anyone on the current list that could removed. Many names remain on the list too long.

In end of September, the Care team will meet again to discuss the ongoing prayer list.

### GOODIES FOR COFFEE POST CHURCH OR MEETINGS

Suzanne has stocked the Trinity fridge with cookies and crackers. We can bring lemonade or cider or ice teas.







### THOSE IN OUR MILITARY

JONATHAN OAKES, ALEX CORMIER, ANDREW CULLEN, DENNIS HARD, DUNCAN SCHAF, BRANDON HARSCH, TOM STRICKLER

Angie

Ann

Anderson, Ross (Marsha's step-uncle)

Belforte, Virginia (Nan's Sister)

Blackwell, Branden (Donna's grandson)

Bonnacolta, Patricia

Boyd, Jane

Carter, Mickie

Carter, Mikel

Connors, Margaret

Christy, Ann (Sharron)

Dean, Susan

Desler, Ray (Sharron)

Donna, (mother of a friend of Mary Ellen's)

Fratoni, Elena (friend of Jean & Carol)

Glazer, Pam (friend of Lyn)

Gole, Bob

Gracey, Ariana (Jean Reed's granddaughter)

Gray, Marilyn (daughter of Fran Gray)

Gray, Martin (son of Fran Gray)

Guadalupe, Mellisa

Hoff, Chris (cancer friend of Stephanie's)

Hamilton, Katie

Harron, Robin

Holly

India—Covid

Jefferson-Tate, Rene

Landry, Ed

Leonard, Charlie

Lindsey, Jerry

Mattila, Melanie

Mezick, Margaret

Meyer, Maureen

Moss, Willine (Covid)

Naugler, Christopher

Naugler, Cindy

Naugler, James

Panetta Paul (Maureen's brother)

Panetta Mary (Maureen's niece)

Panetta, Maureen

Patton, Bob (Karen's brother-in-law)

Pellerin, Kerry (friend of Amy's who has M.S.)

Pothier, Mark (Sharron and Vince's son)

Phil (friend of Nancy Sawyer)

Reed, Izzy

Reed, Nicki

Richardson, Elaine

Sarah, (grandchild of a friend of Jean's mother)

Schmidt, Keara (chorus member with Maureen)

Sanft, Judy (friend of Karen)

Sawyer, Nancy (recovering from surgery)

Stetson (Jean Reed)

Sullivan, Paul (Karen's cousin's son)

S, Joe

Vita, Marie (friend of Jean and Anita)

Z., Pat