

Worship Board Minutes October 7, 2025

Present: Ricky Evans (Chair), Mother Betty Glover, Lorraine Beamer (Communicator), Debbie Skillman, Susan Chase, Deacon Pam Hayes.

Ricky opened the meeting with a prayer.

Mother Betty addressed an issue with the first responders who attend services. She asked that they check in with the ushers and let them know where they are sitting in case of an emergency for ease of identification and location.

Ricky asked the altar and flower guild chairs to reach out to their members to invite them to a gathering with the Rector search committee on October 21 at 2:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Lorraine will reach out to readers, EM and ushers with the invitation as well with the “availability email”. All are asked to attend one of these meetings with a group they are associated with. Several meetings will be held in the next few weeks, so there are a lot of opportunities to give input. There will also be 2 parish wide meetings available to attend.

Ricky asked the altar and flower guild members to participate in a “church attic cleanup” to organize and identify the various items stored in the attic.

Altar Guild – Susan Chase

- The altar guild brunch will be held on November 22 at 9:30. This is an opportunity to gather, chat and sign up for next year.
- White altar linens for November 2 (All Saints’ Day)
- The old purple and green vestments and altar linens have been donated to a needy church
- Per Mother Betty, large priest hosts will be used in the sanctuary and the smaller size will be used in the Chapel.

Choir – Debbie Skillman

- Debbie did a Ministry in Focus to invite parishioners to join the choir.

Flower Guild – Jan Fairley

- The flower guild will continue to use the Southport Florist to fill the gap for altar flowers when no one is available to arrange them.
- A ministry in Focus was done. There was some interest and 1 new person is in training.
- The wedding and funeral customaries need to be checked with respect to flowers to see if they need to be updated.

Deacon Pam

- Currently looking for a supply priest for November 30 when Mother Betty is away.
- It was decided that there will be 2 services on Ingathering Sunday.
- We currently have 4 parishioners living at Terra Bella.

Interim Rector – Mother Betty

- Deacon Pam will be investigating/organizing the resumption of the Celtic service. It will be lay lead without Eucharist.
- Theology Uncorked can also be lay lead. Meetings are scheduled to discuss this.
- Wednesday noonday service had 37 attendees. Mother Betty sent an invitation to attend through constant contact. The increase in attendance may be a combination of invitations and a reaction to the shooting in Southport last week. Pam attends the Noonday service to be available for Pastoral Care and Karla is the usher.

Respectfully submitted

Lorraine Beamer