

**St. Aidan's Episcopal Church**  
**Vestry Regular Meeting – 22 July 2008**  
**Minutes**

Attendees:

Mary Kate Schroeder+, Chair  
Dustin Berg+, Chaplain  
Bill Kaempfer, Senior Warden  
Warren Taylor, Junior Warden  
Matt Clark  
Karen DeSousa  
Nicholas Lee  
Ben Prieb  
Sue Sassano  
Andy Shaw  
William Sweeney, Parish Clerk and Treasurer

Absent

Megan Hebbe  
Carol Rasmussen

The meeting was called to at 7:00 PM by Mother Mary Kate Schroeder, and a quorum was declared to be present.

**FORMATION**

Mother Mary Kate presented the following scripture and asked the following questions:

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, as was his custom.

He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: **The Spirit of the Lord is upon me**, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, **to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor**. And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down.

The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, **'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'**

All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, 'Is not this Joseph's son?' (Luke 4:14-22)

Mother Mary Kate had these questions for the vestry.

**"The Spirit of the Lord us upon me."** How is the Spirit of the Lord upon you as an individual? How is the Spirit of the Lord upon us as a group?

**"...to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."** Having experienced the Lord's favor among ourselves, how can we share that same favor with those with whom we interact?

**"Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."** What are some signs that the presence of the Spirit is active in our midst?

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The vestry broke into two groups for discussion. Some of the comments we shared when we rejoined included hearing comments from the tradesmen in the building to work on Renewal of the Heart about the positive feeling and the presence of the Spirit that they have been sensing, the increase in people coming to St. Aidan's for help, the Boulder Boulder parking event, the concerts and recitals last winter, and the number of people who have come to St. Aidan's to seek help or baptism or simply to join in services and fellowship.

**INFORMATION**

Stewardship Committee outlined a plan for about 9 potluck meals (eight suppers and one lunch) in September. The meals will be for fellowship, and we will try to include every parishioner. Every vestry member is requested to attend at least two potlucks and to call their regular section of the parish directory to solicit attendance. There will also be a brief discussion about this year's budget and pledge process and about the stewardship aspects of one of this year's goals: Every member in ministry. In the table below (and on the attached calendar) are the dates and the sign-ups committed at the vestry meeting.

<b>Potluck Date</b>	<b>Vestry Member Attending</b>
Wednesday, September 3	Bill Kaempfer Karen DeSousa
Tuesday, September 9	Nicholas Lee
Thursday, September 11	?
Monday, September 15	Nicholas Lee
Wednesday September 17 (LUNCH)	Bill Kaempfer Andy Shaw
Wednesday, September 24	Andy Shaw Sue Sassano
Friday September 26	?
Monday, September 29	Warren Taylor
Tuesday, September 30	Sue Sassano Bill Kaempfer Karen DeSousa

Warren Taylor updated the vestry on the projects of Buildings and Grounds, including Renewal of the Heart.

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Mother Mary Kate mentioned that the rental house north of St. Aidan's is being renovated and that the property owner might be willing to discuss deals with St. Aidan's and Canterbury, including a possibility of swapping the contiguous property for Canterbury's property at 2700 university heights.

Grace Pierce, Mike Riedeman and Mike Sharpe were agreed as candidates for appointment to the Canterbury Colorado Board of Stewards.

**DISCUSSION**

Seth Raymond discussed his perception of a call to be ordained as a priest; he also discussed the discernment process he and his committee had completed. This process is documented in the attached letter.

Bill Sweeney presented the second quarter income and expense report and the mid-year balance sheet. Copies are available on the vestry documents web site..

Mother Mary Kate + reported that Mother Kay Cook + had agreed to join the staff as a non-stipendiary associate, including participation in worship and pastoral care.

**DECISION**

The vestry discussed the considerations for forwarding Seth Raymond in the process toward holy orders, including the responsibilities of the vestry and congregation to provide financial and prayer support for Seth Raymond. After discussion and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously:

RESOLVED that to the best of our knowledge Seth Allen Raymond has:

- been a confirmed member of the Episcopal Church for no less than one year;
- been a member in good standing of this congregation for no less than two years; and
- engaged in ministries that elicit our support for continuing discernment of Holy Orders by the diocese.

FURTHER RESOLVED to support Seth Allen Raymond spiritually, emotionally, and financially to the best of the ability of the congregation throughout the Holy Orders process and ordination.

FURTHER RESOLVED that no matter what the outcome of the process, we will continue to hold Seth Allen Raymond in our prayers for God's direction and peace.

The vestry discussed the appointments St. Aidan's makes to the Canterbury Colorado Board of Stewards. After discussion and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously:

RESOLVED that the appointment of Joe Proulx to the Canterbury Board of Stewards be and hereby is withdrawn.

RESOLVED that the following be appointed and hereby are appointed to the Canterbury Board of Stewards.

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1. Grace Pierce be reappointed to a successive three-year term.
2. Mike Sharpe be appointed to the remaining approximately two years of the position Joe Proulx had formerly occupied.
3. Mike Riedeman be appointed to a term of three years, with the Vestry's respectful recommendation that such person also be elected to the office of Treasurer of Canterbury

The minutes for the meeting of June 24 were unanimously adopted.

Mother Mary Kate led the Vestry in prayers, and adjourned the meeting at 8:40 PM. The vestry stayed for about an hour to write thank you notes to parishioners for their pledges to Renewal of the Heart.

Respectfully Submitted

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William Sweeney  
Parish Clerk

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**EXHIBIT 1**

**Letter of Support and Commitment from the Vestry/Bishop's  
Committee and Member of the Clergy or Leader Exercising  
Oversight**

**for Admission to Postulancy for the  
Priesthood**

\* Form P4

Canon III.8.3 (a) (7)

*This letter will be read by the Bishop's Advisory Committee on Ordained Ministry as part of further discernment of the aspirant's call to the priesthood. Send it to:*

Executive Administrator  
The Diocese of Colorado  
1300 Washington Street  
Denver, CO 80203-1311

We, the member of the clergy or leader exercising oversight and a minimum of two-thirds of the Vestry/Bishop's Committee/Council, whose names are here written, testify to the best of our knowledge that:

- the aspirant named below has been a confirmed member of the Episcopal Church for no less than one year
- has been a member in good standing of this congregation for no less than two years
- has engaged in ministries that elicit our support for continuing discernment of Holy Orders by the diocese

We further agree to support the aspirant spiritually, emotionally, and financially to the best of the ability of the congregation throughout the Holy Orders process and ordination. No matter what the out come of the process, we will continue to hold this person in our prayers for God's direction and peace.

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Name of Congregation/City

Seth Allen Raymond

Name of Aspirant

/S/ Mary Kate Schroeder +, rector  
William Kaempfer, senior warden  
Warren Taylor, junior warden

Karen DeSousa

Nicholas Lee

Ben Prieb

Sue Sassano

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William Sweeney, clerk and treasurer

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**EXHIBIT 2**

July 22, 2008

Ms. Amy Paine, President  
Board of Stewards  
Canterbury Colorado

Dear Amy –

This letter is notice to Canterbury Colorado that the Vestry of St. Aidan's Episcopal Church adopted the following resolution at the Vestry's regular meeting of July 22, 2008:

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Faithfully

Bill Sweeney  
Parish Clerk  
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**VESTRY CALENDAR**

All meetings are at 7:00 pm and at St. Aidan's unless otherwise indicated. In general, Regular Meetings are the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday and Mission and Ministry are the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Topic/Kind of Meeting</b>
Tuesday, August 19	Mission and Ministry
Tuesday, September 23	Regular Meeting
Tuesday, October 14	Mission and Ministry
Tuesday, October 28	Regular Meeting
Tuesday, November 18	Regular Meeting / Financial Report (early: Thanksgiving)
Tuesday, December 9	Regular Meeting (early: Christmas)

**Fifth Sundays (Combined services at 9:07:30 followed by program)**

August 31 – *Celebration of Renewal of the Heart and St. Aidan's 60<sup>th</sup>!*

November 30

**And 2009....**

Annual Meeting -- January 25 or February 1

Vestry Retreat --

Ash Wednesday -- February 25

Palm Sunday -- April 5

Easter Day -- April 12

Pentecost -- May 31

**Mother Mary Kate's Schedule for 2008**

July 27 - August 2 – vacation and study days (no Sunday off)

August 11 - 13 -- Gathering of Leaders (Denver)

September 5 - 17 -- Colorado Haiti Project Teaching Mission (2 Sundays)

November 6 - 24 -- Vacation (3 Sundays)