

Saint Barnabas on the Desert
Memorial Acceptance and Fine Arts Committee

February 12, 2024

Members present: Peggy Iacobelli, Mary Lou Luvisa, John Thornton, Jack Wilson, Marilyn Black, Tom Baker, Judee Morrison, Marga Fritze and Nancy Harvey.

Call to order: Nancy read a Valentine's prayer.

Minutes of December 11: The minutes for the December 11, 2023 meeting were approved with no changes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Tours: Judee has a tour planned for March 17th. Judee would like to see people to take better care of the chapel.

Buildings and Grounds: Jack noted that the doors were themselves a memorial constructed by Allen Ditson and that they were functional and did not need replacing. Jack stated that the lower perforated steel panels should be nickel plated to provide a contrast to the eggplant color the doors will be painted. John suggested using PPG or Sherwin Williams paint. The copper panels behind the steel design panels will be reversed or replaced. This should then complete this project. Jack also talked about the possibility of inspecting the cross on top of the sanctuary and the efforts to repair the lights above the choir.

OLD BUSINESS

Retired chapel kneeler needlepoint framing and chapel kneeler storage: A question arose about the origin of the chapel rail kneelers – were they made by Willie Francis's father? The Memorial Book or the liturgical furnishings inventory may have the answer.

Saint Barnabas history book: Marga would like to interview a number of people, including Fr. Jim, Betsy, Dorothy Lincoln Smith, John Thornton, Jr. and Ann Goodman.

Did You Know articles: Marga would like to do an article on the crosses of St. Barnabas.

Easter and Lent: Marilyn has ordered the Easter lilies, which will arrive on March 26th, and she will install the Stations of the Cross on Feb. 13.

Green set commission: Phyllis Rector had Jenny at JB Liturgical Designs make a vestment. Peggy examined this work and determined that we can proceed with using JB for making the green set. She will now ask for a quote for the green set.

Website tour: Peggy received a poorly edited version of the video from Momentum 360 that requires extensive re-editing. Peggy will create a story board that has the desired sequence for them to follow.

Ode to Joy disposition sub-committee: Tom showed the picture of *Ode to Joy* with the 21 large sections defined by Nancy marked on the picture based on the criteria of proportions, colors, symbolism and aesthetics. Pictures were taken of potential wall locations around the campus. From these Nancy chose Hutton Hall, the Learning Center and the conference room walls as the locations for installing some of the selected sections, with an emphasis on having the pieces placed in groups, rather than scattered all around campus. The chosen sections not used for the walls will then be re-defined as smaller pieces for sale. Peggy and John will prepare a certificate that can be redeemed for a piece of *Ode to Joy* once it is sectioned.

Ditson processional cross reproduction: John is looking for someone to laser cut the design. Tom suggested cutting it out with a scroll saw.

Ciborium and chalice repairs: The stones will be replaced on the chalice during Lent with the help of Erin. Karen Owens probably has the missing stones in the Altar Guild room

Membership: no report

NEW BUSINESS

Peggy prepared the MAFA annual report.

CHAIR REPORT

The next meeting is March 4th, in the Other Cup.

Let it be known that these minutes are intended to convey the spirit of the meeting and are not meant to be a literal documentation of the proceedings.