

Saint Barnabas on the Desert
Memorial Acceptance and Fine Arts Committee

February 13, 2023

Members present: Peggy Iacobelli, Nancy Harvey, Mary Lou Luvisa, Donna Piscopo, Marian Green, Irene Wood, Judee Morrison, Marilyn Black, Marga Fritze and Tom Baker.

Call to order: Nancy opened the meeting with a reading from I Corinth. 13:4-8.

Minutes of January 9, 2023: The minutes for the January 9, 2023 meeting were approved, as written.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Tours: Judee has a tour planned for February 19, and one for May.

Buildings and Grounds: Peggy sent a list to Rosario of items in the sanctuary to be addressed to help improve the visual appeal. Rosario said that some of the sanctuary lights were not correctly wired to the dimmer circuit and need to be re-wired.

Lent and Easter: Marilyn will oversee these activities again this year. Easter is April 9th. Marilyn is ordering 48 lilies for delivery on Tuesday of Holy Week. The lilies will only be used on the altar and not be placed in the chapel or music building. Marilyn will also hang the Stations of the Cross.

Front planters: Judee will go to Greenfields to buy kumquat trees for the planters, now that the irrigation lines have been run to the planters.

OLD BUSINESS

Chapel kneeler storage: The possibility of moving the kneelers storage from the metal rack to the shelving in the chapel hallway was considered. The suitability of this option will need to be investigated. The use of some of the mesquite wood to make shelves in the rear of the chapel was explored and found to be impractical.

Retired chapel kneeler needlepoint framing: Joanne will report on this in March.

MAFA Arts (History) book: Vestry approval will be needed before proceeding.

Did You Know articles: Marga has two articles planned. One on the "Guardians of the Divine" design in the sanctuary doors and one on the watercolor painting of the altar flower stands. Irene has a write-up on the doors that can be used in writing the first article.

Green set commission: At this point, the plan is to continue to seek fabric artists.

Website tour: Peggy showed a spectacular video produced by Ben Freedman of PrimeImage Media that was filmed by a drone flying outside across the patio, through the front doors, down the aisle and around the altar. Ten liturgical furnishings were incorporated into the video with clickable icons that presented a picture and description of the item. The viewer can also move around the sanctuary images on a computer, as the images were taken with a 360° camera. Marian's list of 20 furnishings would be the basis for the items to be photographed and described for the future video. Marilyn brought up the very important consideration about the potential for security issues if anyone could view the inside of the sanctuary and chapel. This would need to be addressed before anything could be placed on the web site. A motion was made and passed to spend \$20/month for 6 months to continue to save the video on the server, so it can be further studied. Funding for this would come from the interest fund. The video would also be an opportunity to use Saint Barnabas choir music as part of the soundtrack. Judee will ask Ann Goodman about the possibility of using some of the Charles Dunlap memorial fund to cover the cost of further video production work.

Ode to Joy disposition: Peggy showed the proposal developed by Tom covering some *Ode to Joy* disposition strategies and possible ways to approach the sectioning based on considerations of the scale, colors, stitching and symbols that are available in the work.

Children's torchier: John has made a leather piece to fit on the torchier to silence the bell. Tom will repair the metalwork and wood.

Chapel torchier rack: Tom showed a proposed design for a chapel torchiers holder using the early Christian church's fish symbol. A piece of the mesquite wood would be used. No motion on approving the design was made.

Lenten communion ware set: Peggy will contact the family of Kanky Johnson, to inform them that the memorial fund was used for the second Lenten communion ware set in 2019.

Ditson processional cross: John sent an email to Peggy indicating that he has had the design laser cut of lighter metal to make a lighter-weight processional cross.

NEW BUSINESS

CHAIR REPORT

The 2022 Annual Report was included in the vestry packet.

Peggy reported that Daryl Weil has decided to resign from the committee. Peggy told her that she is welcome to return as she wishes.

The next meeting is March 13th at 3 pm 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.