

Saint Barnabas on the Desert
Memorial Acceptance and Fine Arts Committee

March 13, 2023

Members present: Peggy Iacobelli, Mary Lou Luvisa, Marian Green, Irene Wood, Judee Morrison, Marilyn Black, Marga Fritze, Joanne Berg, Grace Chin, Jack Wilson, John Thornton and Tom Baker.

Call to order: Peggy opened the meeting with a prayer sent by Nancy.

Minutes of February 13, 2023: The minutes for the February 13, 2023 meeting were approved, as written.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Tours: Judee had a tour on February 19 with 8 people. Michael gave a 20-minute talk about the organ. Judee will hand over her laser pointer to her successor, when that person is found.

Buildings and Grounds: The burned-out lights and ballasts in the sanctuary were replaced. Work on Hutton Hall could start in May.

Lent and Easter: Marilyn installed the Stations of the Cross. Marilyn had to follow up on the lily order from Phoenix Flower Shop. Easter is April 9th. Marilyn is ordering 48 lilies for delivery on Tuesday of Holy Week. The lilies will be placed on the choir risers, ala Christmas, before being placed on the altar and will be available for people to take home on April 16th.

OLD BUSINESS

Chapel kneeler storage: No report.

Retired chapel kneeler needlepoint framing: Joanne agreed to use the proposed clamping frame design for the framing. Tom will make the frames. Joanne believes the needlepoints should be cut down to 3-foot lengths. Also, that the edges need to be secured with serge or zigzag stitching.

MAFA Arts (History) book: Peggy met with Fr. Jim to discuss the project. He would like to have the history book include all aspects of Saint Barnabas beyond the art and early history. Marga said that she would not be the person to write about faith formation. Work on the project is on hold until the vestry approves a Table of Contents.

Did You Know articles: Marga has two articles completed. One on the "Guardians of the Divine" design in the sanctuary doors and one on the watercolor painting of the altar flower stands. Marga also has a Fowler McCormick letter thanking the church, which might lead to a nice article also.

Green set commission: At this point, the plan is to continue to seek fabric artists. No report.

Website tour: Marian shared her research into software packages that could be used to create the 3D website tour. Out of these, she selected three: Kuula, Cloud Plan and Fusion, as the best candidates, with the highest ratings, from Capterra. The next step will be to find a person who can do the filming to be input into the software. Peggy will look into this.

Ode to Joy disposition sub-committee: Judee talked to Ann Goodman about using the Dunlap fund to cover expenses. Tom talked to Rosario about places to store the piece during the time from the end of the year until next Easter.

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: The design for a chapel torchiers holder using the early Christian church's Ichthys symbol was approved. A piece of the mesquite wood will be used.

Front planters: Judee went to Greenfields to buy kumquat trees for the planters, but they didn't have them yet. However, they should have them available in time for Easter.

Ditson processional cross reproduction: John showed the aluminum, CNC milled, version of the Ditson clergy cross metal design that he made. The design is oversized and weighs 4.8 pounds. Since John created the vector file from a photograph, he can reproduce the design in various materials and sizes.

NEW BUSINESS

Irene expressed an interest in adding a children's/youth education program on Wednesday evenings. Joanne showed a picture of a print made from a tree cross-section that might be something to do with the mesquite wood.

CHAIR REPORT

The next meeting is April 10th 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.