

**Christ Church Cathedral  
Minutes of the Vestry  
March 23, 2009**

Vestry members in attendance: Charlie Cook, Ed Burgess, Thor Urness, Sandra Merritt, Tobi Nolan, Paul Elledge, Scott Smith, Mary Herbert Kelly, Steve Lasley, John Whitaker, Catherine Clark, Susan Dupont  
Clergy in attendance: Anne Stevenson, Geoffrey Butcher, Gene Manning  
Also in attendance: Mark McQueen

The Vestry of Christ Church Cathedral held its regular monthly meeting on Monday, March 23, 2009. Charlie Cook called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. Scott Smith gave the meditation.

**Warden's Time:**

- Charlie Cook reported that the Nominating Committee for the Dean's Search Committee has been meeting once a week. They continue to gather information about the remaining six candidates. The full committee will soon begin its study of the presented candidates.
- A committee has now formed to explore the possible widening of the door from the sacristy hall into the nave. Including parishioners from all interested committees, this group will meet on Tuesday, March 24, with an architect from Tuck-Hinton.
- The next meeting of the Vestry will occur on April 27, 2009.

**Report by Interim Rector:**

Canon Stevenson enthusiastically thanked the Vestry for her birthday celebration and gifts. She added that the Lenten Symposium with Dr. Luke Timothy Johnson was well attended. In addition, the iconography workshop was a huge success, with plans in the works for next year. Sixteen participants, from several states and various denominations, worshipped together and created beautiful pieces of art in silence over the course of a week. Susan Dupont presented Canon Stevenson with her icon.

**Approval of Minutes:** The following resolution was introduced and seconded:  
*Resolved, that the Vestry approves the minutes of its February 16, 2009 meeting.*  
Unanimously approved by the Vestry.

**Vestry Time: Reports from Cluster Liaisons**

**Administrative:** Ed Burgess submitted a written report.

**Outreach:** Thor Urness submitted a written report.

**Sacred Space:** Susan Dupont reported that the Fisk Jubilee Singers have offered the Cathedral the opportunity to host a Christmas concert, given the overwhelming attendance at their recent performance at the Cathedral. Bachanalia is scheduled for Friday, March 27.

**Membership Care:** Sandra Merritt requested that vestry members make welcoming calls to newcomers. She added that Sigourney Cheek had encouraged a parish-wide social event, and that Canon Stevenson’s birthday celebration had provided just such a festive celebration.

**Spiritual Formation:** Catherine Clark submitted written reports.

**New Business:**

- Mary Herbert Kelly reported that the speakers at the Wednesday evening Lenten series have been exceptional.
- The Bishop has sent letters permitting Stanford Adams, Danielle Thompson, and Anna Russell Kelly to become Postulants for Holy Orders.

**Old Business:** None.

The meeting was adjourned by motion of the Vestry at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Tobi Nolan, Clerk

**Key Dates:**

Sunday, March 22 <i>Free. Sponsored by Lois &amp; Peter Fyfe</i>	4:00 PM	DANIEL ROTH, Organist Church of St. Sulpice, Paris
Friday, March 27 <i>Free</i>	5:00 PM – 11:00 PM	Third Annual BACHANALIA <i>A Celebration of the Music of J.S. Bach</i>
Friday, April 3	6:00 PM	First Friday service
Saturday, April 4 <i>Free</i>	12:00 PM – 2:00 PM	LITURGICAL FLORAL DESIGN: Lecture and demonstration by Lou Ann Brown
Saturday, April 18 \$25.	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	YOUR INNER ARTIST: Container Gardening Workshop led by Susie Ries at Bates Garden Center
Sunday, April 19 <i>Free</i>	6:30 PM	BELMONT UNIVERSITY SINGERS & WOMEN'S CHOIR Dr. Jeffery Ames & Dr. Jane Warren, Directors

Tuesday, April 21 \$11	8:00 PM	THE PASSION OF JOAN OF ARC: Silent Film with organ improvisation. In collaboration with Nashville Film Festival. Joseph Roenbeck, Organist
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**Attachments and handouts:**

Vestry Agenda, March 23, 2009

Vestry Meeting Minutes, February 16, 2009

Finance Committee Report, March 2009

Budgeted Income and Expense Statement, February 2009

Attendance Sheet, February 2009

Community Outreach Cluster Report, March 2009

Cultural Arts Committee Report, March 2009

Spiritual Formation Cluster Report, March 2009

Youth Ministries Report, March 23, 2009