

St Matthew Vestry Meeting

April 20, 2022

Meeting called to order by Sr Warden Mary Ann Loftus at 6:05 with a prayer offered by Nathan Blanchard. In attendance, Mary Ann L, Jr Warden Roy Casey, Frances Z, Nathan B, Pam S, Lori F, Anissa S and nominee for vestry Carol Lamparter; absent, Jocelyn S, Janice F and Mary N.

Lori moved that we accept the minutes from the March 14th meeting received via email on March 16th, 2nd by Anissa, approved.

Jr Warden's report by Roy, much happening at the church, construction in the choir room/restroom completed and on budget! The stain glass window that fell out of the south side transept in altar area has been restored and placed; received funds from insurance claim of \$8,169.28, cost to restore by Sycamore Studio in Lansdowne, PA \$7,500 with remaining funds for Zartman Construction for their services in this project. There appear to be some other of these windows that the protective coverings are coming loose, one is being repaired by Zartmans and all others will be checked. Orvis Long painted the two flat roofs, also addressed the steeple roof and siding and the two windows in transept over sacristy that needed to be painted and protective covers will need to be reset; this was scheduled to happen last year, but the weather got bad early, so he was here doing the work in the choir room he completed this project which was not included in the quote for choir room reno. Phase II of this renovation would be to continue the new flooring into the parish hall, quote by MVT was approximately \$16,000; we would also include taking down the drop ceiling and paint the room. Unsure of available funds currently as the stock market is not performing well, recommending that we wait until there is some recovery in the market to move on with Phase II.

Roy reports that he has been unable to fix the clog problems with the pasina (sink in sacristy) and reports that the hot water heater is not working for that sink either. He is working on the double doors in the narthex as the handle lever from the outside sticks and is difficult to open. Moved by Fran to accept this report, Pam 2nd approved.

Lori gave treasures report from Tom Culver, Anissa moved to accept, Fran 2nd, approved.

Sr Warden report by Mary Ann, Roy has arranged for supply priests into first week of July, if none could be scheduled, we will have morning prayer.

Office equipment needs updating, repairs were made to the printer that is rented and old. No progress was made on researching and securing live stream equipment. Confirmed that internet search engines have recrawled our website and removed all reference to Mother Robin has been removed.

Mary Ann, Nathan and Pam compiled a survey for the congregation from sample ones sent to us by Veronica Chappell. They were distributed on Easter Sunday with many folks just handing them back to us uncompleted after service. It was determined that we would then do a mass mailing of them to be returned by 5/15/22, date of our annual parish meeting, Carla sent them out this day.

She spoke to George Turner on 4/3/22 regarding his Lay Eucharist Ministry, he is willing to visit those at home, nursing home or hospital. We had several kits in the sacristy so no need to purchase any; advise Sr Warden of parishioner needs as you are made aware of them so she may contact George. Sarah Weedon will be on sabbatical for 3 months starting 5/1/22, Paul Donacher will be our contact for any pastoral needs.

Fran moved that we open a new checking account for the His Disciples food pantry at the recommendation of the finance committee, signature cards are needed for Terry and Nancy Shipman and Tom Culver, treasurer, 2nd by Anissa, approved. Signature cards will be needed from Nathan Blanchard, Lori Fazzini and Tom Culver for other accounts.

Annual Parish meeting will be held in the parish hall on May 15, 2022 following the 10am service with a meal provided. Along with this being posted in the bulletin a request for candidates for consideration for vestry and delegates to diocesan convention; those that are to be off vestry after serving for 4 years, Lori Fazzini, Janice Flory, Mary Newcome. Currently Martha Bohner, John Haydt, Carol Lamparter and Lynda Culver have submitted their names for ballot. Fran, Jocelyn and Cynthia have agreed to sit for a 2nd 2year term. Pam made a motion to amend the bylaws to reflect the number of vestry members to be 9 as an odd number for voting reasons relieves the need for the priest to cast the tie breaking vote, Fran 2nd , approved. Fran made the motion that the Senior Warden serves a max of 4 year term and need not be a member of vestry(they would not be able to vote) to

serve in this position, appointed by the priest or the bishop in absence of a priest., Pam 2nd, approved. Pam will make these corrections to the bylaws to be presented to the parishioners at annual meeting.

Mary Ann will work on defining lay ministries positions as to what is required of the person willing to head them.

Discussion about adult bible study, decided to hold sessions in May(1, 15, 22) at 9am using a program suggested by Mother Rebecca Zartman and to be viewed on the large screen TV in parish hall.

Anissa and Fran will work together to create a float for the 250th anniversary of Sunbury parade held July 4th.

July 10th church picnic to be held at Zartmans creek side pavilion at 11am to ECW will arrange a Father's day one June 18.

Carol Lamparter asked about sending a letter to the family-company the created our new hand carved set of stations of the cross in the Ukraine as we received them just before Russia invaded their country, she is willing to do one expressing how much we are enjoying them and hope they are safe and well.

Adjourned, 7:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Reid, Clerk of Vestry