

Minutes

Zoom Vestry Meeting – May 13, 2020

Present: John Grant, Diane Nichols, Lynn Garland, Nancy Waugh, Lana Pieczynski, Robin Yates, Rose Reith, Lorraine Brumskine

Regrets:

Guest: Susan Howland

Fr. Richard opened the meeting at 7:12 p.m. with prayer and bible study John 14: vs 15-21

Business

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the April 2020 vestry meeting minutes.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the gifts to the John C. Dirlam Endowment Fund, the Legacy Endowment Fund and the Christian Education account as directed by the giver.

***ACTION Required* - John will send the monies to the diocese for the endowment funds to be invested.**

John explained the money received from the diocese for the Covid-19 is being held until it is determined if it is a grant or a loan. The account is named Diocesan Assistance \$2,783.54.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the April 2020 Treasurer's report.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to buy a used lawn mower \$100 plus the trade in of the old mower and any additional cost of servicing.

Buildings and Grounds Report- emailed

The email was informational with no requests for vestry input therefore there was no need for further discussion.

Communication

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the May 6, 2020 executive communication meeting minutes.

While we are not gathering as a community during the pandemic Fr. Richard would like to have a Zoom meeting Coffee hour following the Sunday service.

ACTION Required Susan Howland will work with Fr. Richard on logistics of the coffee hour meeting.

ACTION Required- Susan Howland will inform Chris Bolte to investigate Spectrum Wi-fi.

Another option would be to run an ethernet cable from the office to the church.

Compline going well with 6-10 attendees each service

Every Tuesday a Compline MailChimp goes out with the invitation to Tuesdays and Thursday's Zoom Compline. Thursday there will be a Weekly News MailChimp if there are any announcements/news and will include a reminder for Thursday Compline. If no weekly announcements/news Chris will send an all parish email with just a Compline reminder and the Zoom link.

June Tidings will be emailed and mailed to the parishioners who do not have email. Face Time will need to continue when we are able to return to the sanctuary for parishioners that do not feel comfortable returning.

ACTION Required - Susan will research purchasing improved equipment.

Motion made to purchase a camera for the office, monies taken from faith formation account.

ACTION Required- Susan Howland will make the purchase

Senior Warden's Report -

Rector's Items

The Bishop Doug Fisher together with Bishop Gates from the Diocese MA have established July 1, 2020 for reopening of churches for services and could be subject to change as the pandemic evolves including complying with mandates from the state of MA.

Best Practices will be developed for the vestries to follow he will provide those for the June vestry meeting.

Pentecost Service will stream live a special Diocesan Pentecost Liturgy online on May 31 at 10 am. We will feast on the Word, renew our Baptismal Vows together, and experience music from many voices across our diocese. It will be my joy to preside and preach, to gather us all as one flock on this holy day.

ACTION Required - Fr Richard forwarded Mission possibilities during the Covid-19 pandemic. Vestry members are being asked to read and think about how HTC can execute any of the suggested mission initiatives.

Moving forward we may need to change procedures for the coat closet. **ACTION Required** - Lynn will start to think about how we can do that and how to accept donations using safe and healthy practices.

Review Last month's events-

Upcoming Events – (June)

Trinity Sunday is June 1st.

Suggestion to have the children make Father's Day and send cards to the men in the parish.

ACTION Required Diane will speak to Cat about the suggestion.

It was determined there are no 2020 High School graduates at Holy Trinity.

Vestry Retreat – Will be postponed till fall due to social distancing.

The Closing – We go out in God's Name

- Closing Prayer – Fr. Richard closed with prayer
- Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM

Next Vestry Meeting

June 10, 2020

Respectfully submitted by Nancy Waugh, clerk pro-temporary.