St. John's Episcopal Church Vestry 15 November 2023 via Zoom

Present: Jeff Bates, Pamela Brittain, Tom Brzeczek, Bill Cheney, Jane Ferguson, Diane Gustafson, Rev. Roger Haenke, Alejandra Valdez-Beer, Lynn Young Treasurer: Gregg King

Absent: Alice Burnham

Guest: Bishop Susan Brown Snook

Rev. Roger Haenke called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

The following appreciations were noted: to Iris Atkins for all she does for the parish (Iris was given the Bishop's Servant Ministry Award from the Diocesan Convention), to the entire parish for the many Bags of Blessings donated even though there was little time to gather the food, to David Dennehy who continues to lead the Property Committee during this busy time.

After Reflection on next Sunday's Gospel, the Vestry discussed St. John's strengths and challenges with Bishop Susan. St. John's will follow through by inviting Charlette Preslar to lead a forum on serving children and youth and Chris Tumilty to help with a social media presence once an individual is identified to take this on.

Lynn Young moved, Pamela Brittain seconded approval of the Consent Agenda, and the motion passed.

Gregg King presented the Treasurer's report. (Financials are filed with these minutes in the Vestry binder in the Church Office).

OLD BUSINESS

La Misa in English celebrated Dia de los Muertos on November 2. There were 26 parishioners and 6 guests.

Transfer of the Kathy D. Weizer Trust is still pending.

The Stewardship Campaign continues with weekly reflections in person and in the newsletter. The last of the receptions will be on Sunday in Nale Hall hosted by Rev. Roger Haenke and Jeff Bates. The in-gathering of pledges will be on November 26.

The Capital Campaign Committee plans to meet with Jason Evans, Canon for Mission, to discuss strategy.

The new roof is on hold until funds from the Weizer Trust are transferred.

NEW BUSINESS

The 11:00 service was discussed. Rev. Roger presented a graph showing attendance. The cost per Sunday is \$100 for instrumental music, and this has been taken from Music & Liturgy in the budget. Acolytes from the 9:00 service set up for 11:00, but there is no acolyte nor usher/greeter nor altar guild clean up at 11.

It was decided that Jeff Bates would make a presentation at the beginning of this Sunday's 11:00 service, assessing the interest in continuing the 11:00 service on Sundays and stressing the need for pledges and volunteers. Jeff will write a report that will be considered by Vestry at the December meeting.

Lynn Young moved, Jeff Bates seconded to give a legal honorarium of \$1000 to Ray Contreras in recognition of all that he has done for St. John's, including work on the Ed Wilson Trust, Weizer Trust, and Columbarium documents. The motion passed unanimously.

The next Vestry meeting will be December 13 at 6 p.m. on Zoom.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Diane Gustafson, Clerk of Vestry