

## **St. John's Episcopal Church Vestry 20 January 2021**

Present: Rev. Roger Haenke, Pam Brittain, Tom Brzeczek, Bill Cheney, Ray Contreras, David Dennehy, Terry Farrelly, Diane Gustafson, Muriel Kulikowski, Jim McDevitt, Judy McKay, Lynn Young

After opening prayer, Rev. Roger Haenke called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

David Dennehy moved, Pam Brittain seconded approval of the Consent Agenda (minutes of the December meeting, Monthly Operational Report, Warden's Report), and the motion passed.

Terry Farrelly presented the Treasurer's Report. All pledges were fulfilled. Among the accomplishments of the Vestry in 2020 were asking the Diocese for a grant of \$20,000 and asking the Diocese to defer five months of payments on the loan principle. We are still waiting for Bank of America to follow through on the forgiveness of the PPE loan.

Sally Elliott has worked with the auditors, and they have finished their review of 2019. There were no issues.

Pledges for 2020 were down from \$145,000 to \$122,000. We will continue to put aside the amount we had been paying the realtor (and no longer have to pay) into a building repair fund. Lynn Young moved, Judy McKay seconded approval of the 2021 budget, and the motion passed.

Allocation for Outreach has been increased from \$1500 to \$2500.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Ray Contreras contacted the Assessors Office about the title report for the SE corner property. Rev. Roger Haenke will sign the form for the Church Tax Exemption for next year and will send it off.

There has been no movement on the easement for the Fonti property.

Now that the December minutes (in which the Vestry approved a resolution for change in the By-laws) have been approved, Rev. Roger Haenke will create an email to send to the Chancellor of the Diocese, the Bishop, and the Standing Committee.

Classrooms 17 & 18 need a new roof. Rev. Roger Haenke has requested a grant from the Diocese to pay for it. Mission Action Parishes have priority for grants, and others may be considered if there are funds left over. We will wait until the February meeting to discuss the roof.

Last month the Vestry decided to make St. John's a Veteran/Military Friendly Congregation. There have been no responses from parishioners willing to serve

on the committee or to be the lay leader, but some names were suggested for Rev. Roger Haenke to contact.

We have heard back from the consultant for the Energy Audit/Solar Project and are ready to move forward. The subcommittee to work on this includes Rev. Roger Haenke, Ray Contreras, Tom Brzeczek, Bill Cheney, and Pam Brittain. Rev. Roger Haenke will set up a meeting of this subcommittee, the consultant, and the Diocese.

Jim McDevitt, Judy McKay, and Lynn Young have reached the end of their terms on Vestry. They were thanked for their service.

#### NEW BUSINESS

The Annual Meeting will be held via Zoom and will start at approximately 10:15 a.m. on Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup>. Rev. Roger Haenke will send out a letter of invitation, the agenda, and annual reports. Vestry candidates for election at the Annual Meeting are Jane Ferguson, Alejandra Valdez Beer, and Lynn Young. Delegates and alternate delegates for the Diocesan Convention will be elected. The quorum shall be no less than 2x the number of Vestry members.

The Virtual Spaghetti Dinner and Fundraiser will be held on Saturday, February 13.

The Outreach Committee has met. Each week on Wednesdays during office hours bins will be placed outside the gate for collecting eyeglasses, pill bottles, magazines, and greeting cards. Parishioners will be asked to prayerfully consider donating an item from their closets for each of the forty days of Lent. At the end, everything will be taken to St. Luke's, the collection point for the homeless.

Vestry installation and retreat and election of Junior Warden will be discussed at the February meeting

Fr. Michael Kaehr donated \$25,000 to St. John's in memory of his late wife Nancy for a new sound system.

David Dennehy gave the ending prayer after which the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Diane Gustafson, Clerk of Vestry