

St. Stephens Episcopal Church Vestry Minutes May 17, 2021

In attendance: Kathy Deciantis, Ken Fuhr, Don Ingersoll, Joan Morgan, Alice Moss, Phil Pierce, Paula Sommerville, Sheryl Schmidt, Miranda Spates, Dave Stein, Mo Sharon Voelker.

The Vestry checked in, and Sheryl Schmidt gave an opening prayer.

The Consent Calendar and Rector's Report were approved.

Old Business: The Annual Meeting (Part 2) was held on May 16, 2021. The Franklin-Christian Pre-School Kindergarten proposal has not been responded to by the preschool and we will do no further work without a response. We are in the early stages of developing a greater working relationship with Beautiful Lutheran Savior Church across the street. We still have some work to do to complete our work with Safe Church.

New Business: A sign up sheet for Sunday closing assignments was passed around. Ken Fuhr reported that we have candidates as a result of our ad for a Priest-in-Charge, and they will be interviewed initially by Zoom, with in person interviews for selected candidates to follow.

Committee Reports: Pastoral Care is collecting responses to phone assignments from Vestry members which were designed to facilitate and address parishoners' needs. Outreach will have an in person meeting soon. YAYCM delayed an event which interfered with too many of the youths' schedules, but graduating high school seniors from 2020 and 2021 will be recognized at the June 13 10 am service. A J2A leader is needed. We will make and distribute kids' bags for church services. Adult Faith is in the beginning stages of forming a committee. Hospitality will hold a meeting to plan for the June 13 parish picnic. Finance and the Treasurer reported that the PPP-SBA loan has been forgiven in its entirety, and the money will be placed in a designated fund until 12/31/21. The Vestry approved a resolution to create a General Investment Trust Fund to manage church funds (Ingersoll, Sommerville). Buildings and Grounds reported that the new furnaces are installed and we will have a clean up at the church on May 22 at 9 am.

A discussion was held about returning choir members to church services. Mo Sharon will follow up.

Mo Sharon gave a closing prayer.

Submitted by Joan Morgan, Clerk