

Meeting held in-person at Two Churches – minutes taken by Jill Barry

Members Present: Dan Weller, Joel Flint, Laura Daniels, Angela Keane, John Standley, Rev. Mike Wernick

Non-voting Present: Jill Barry (recorder), Deacon Kim Hoop

Not present: Laura Kremer (sick)

Meeting called to order 7:06 PM, opened with prayer by Rev. Mike

Agenda approved as (Joel moved/John seconded)

Added additional topic of Driveway Entrance Signage under New Business

Clergy Report for April approved (Dan moved/John seconded)

Approval of April Minutes (with one date typo correction) – (Joel moved/Dan seconded)

Liaison Reports – all reports accepted (Laura D. moved/John seconded):

- Property (report from Joel)
 - Sent mowing schedule link to list of people who typically volunteer – sign-up schedule is also posted on the bulletin board
 - Door handle for safe room door has been replaced
 - More water coming in to the basement whenever it rains, leaking thru a seam crack in east wall below the windows; John is talking with McDonald plumbing on the 24th regarding the basement sump pumps, which should take care of some of the issue.
 - Garage cleanout – Joe & John trying to schedule a time when they can get together to do this.
 - Possibly will need to schedule a 2nd outdoor work day for dealing with rest of outdoor projects such as edging, possible mulching, etc. Joel will check with Jon Getz to see if he has a woodchipper we can use to finish path in the woods.
 - Need to turn water on for the garden – Joel to do immediately after meeting tonight.
- Community Ministry (written report from Kim/Laura K.)
 - Meal to be provided on May 31 for IHN for families staying at Grace Church – Sally coordinating.
 - Next meeting is June 14th at Kim's condo, with meeting hybrid via Zoom
- Christian Education – no report
- Hospitality - (verbal report from Angela)
 - Easter breakfast went well
 - Funeral luncheon was held for Luann Blom funeral on May 7th
- Worship & Music (written report from Rev. Mike)
 - Restored some of the pre-pandemic liturgical elements to our worship:
 - Prayers of the People readers from the congregation
 - Passing the offering plate (including Noisy Offering on May 1)
 - Offertory hymn and doxology

- Still looking to restore things such as healing prayers at the altar rail, crucifer/acolyte, “little church bank” celebrations/thanksgivings, ushers bringing elements forward, holding hands during the Lord’s Prayer.
- Have yet to schedule a W & M meeting.
- Correspondence (verbal report from John) – couple of thank you notes for mission support.

Treasurer’s Report – (written report from John) accepted (Angela moved/Dan seconded)

- The check for \$70 thousand in Ascension investments has arrived at Vanguard – will be put into holding money market account and then can be transferred to other investment accounts.
- First time in quite a while that income for the year-to-date shows as less than expenses. Due in part to paying for the two new furnaces which we did not budget for. EOM April showed \$352 less in income vs. expenses year-to-date, so still doing very well.

Old Business:

- Ascension Hall signage – Joel still working on it. Plans to have ready by Ascension.
- Laptop for Hybrid Events / Camera & Mic for Office PC
 - All are in the building now – camera/mic is “plug & play” so will work well with office desktop computer or as additional movable camera for laptop
 - Laptop has been set up for Zoom
- DeHaan Flooring Status
 - See Property Liaison report – check sent to DeHaan for 1/3 of total flooring cost
- Constitution & By-Laws Update
 - Rev. Dennis Smith (Constitution committee for Mitten Synod) working on finding an existing “Union” document for us to use as a model.

New Business:

- Driveway Entrance Signage
 - Very faded – John turned it around as south side was more faded than north
 - John to look into a possible alternative replacement
 - Will seek options/prices but will likely be a project for following year if expensive
 - Other option suggested (by Jill) for cheap fix is manually painting with a metal enamel

Other Issues of Concerns: None

Next meeting set for Thursday, June 16, 2022 at 7:00 PM in-person at the church (possibly hybrid if needed)

Meeting adjourned approximately 8:30 PM