

Meeting minutes taken by Jill Barry

Members Present: Cal Meuzelaar, Sally Todd (via Zoom), Co Walter (via Zoom), Marjo Jordan, the Rev. Jonathan Bratt Carle

Members Absent: Laura Kremer (family medical), Mary Trasky (family emergency).

Non-voting Present: Jill Barry (recording secretary), Laura Daniels, Deacon Kim Hoop

Meeting called to order 6:00 PM, Cal offered the opening prayer, beginning with reading Matthew 25, and reminding us of the quote he has mentioned previously: that we are to be “small working models of the new creation.”

Agenda approved with addition of Deacon Kim’s report (Cal moved / Jonathan 2<sup>nd</sup>/Passed)

Prior Minutes for January’s 3 meetings (1 main and 2 “mini-meetings”) approved (Co moved/Marjo 2<sup>nd</sup>/Passed)

Clergy Report for January accepted (along with all liaison reports – see below):

- Is reimbursing the church for a missing receipt (wasn’t required but he insisted.)
- Discussed a little about his time on retreat

Liaison Reports – all reports accepted, including treasurer’s report & clergy report (Marjo moved/Sally 2<sup>nd</sup>/Passed):

- Property (verbal report from Sally)
  - She needs a committee!
  - Big thank you to Cal and John S. for creating a spreadsheet of all property-related tasks, timelines, vendors, etc.
  - Cal contacted Haley from Sacred Ground regarding our 3<sup>rd</sup> rain garden
    - Their funding has changed, uncertain yet how that will impact our plans
  - John S. and Cal will be going out to look for a new lawn mower, focusing on a zero-turn mower with more of a “commercial-style” capacity.
- Community Ministry (written report from Laura K)
  - Good Friday offering will be split, as always, between the Diocese of Jerusalem and The Green Apple.
  - Considering participating in some way with United Campus Christian Fellowship which provides lunches for college students, held at St. Mark’s Episcopal downtown. Hoping to pair with another congregation to help provide pizza/salad for about 70 students.
  - Looking for additional ways to assist refugees and immigrants.
- Deacon Kim’s report (written report)
  - The Standing Committee approved Deacon Kim being placed with Two Churches, but will also have the clerical authority to do ministry at Holy Trinity Episcopal as well (as we share a rector/pastor.)
  - She will need a letter of agreement, and Rev. Jonathan and Kim will draft one from an example provided by Archdeacon Beth Drew.
  - She is continuing to develop a group of Eucharistic Visitors, which includes folks both at Two Churches and at Holy Trinity.
- Hospitality (verbal report from Laura D.)
  - Question was asked about Easter “Breakfast” – should this be before 9 AM worship (as we’ve done in the past) or just a more robust potluck fellowship time following worship. Was decided following worship sounded like a good idea. Was suggested that we could ask people to bring items based on their last name: A-M savory items and N-Z sweet items.

- Worship & Music – (verbal report from Rev. Jonathan)
  - Holy Week schedule:
    - April 2 – Maundy Thursday with Agape Meal (was suggested would be at Two Churches but we have Diaper Depot that evening so was switched to Holy Trinity.)
      - Meal 6 PM
      - Worship 7 PM
    - April 3 – Good Friday
      - Noon Holy Trinity
      - 7 PM Two Churches
    - April 4 – Holy Saturday
      - Noon Two Churches (Holy Saturday service.)
      - 7 PM Holy Trinity (Great Vigil service)
    - Easter Sunday – normal times at each church.
- Correspondence
  - Thank yous for various donations

#### Treasurer's Report (accepted along with other liaison reports)

- Still waiting for correct numbers from the Diocese for Jonathan's pension
- Expenses higher than income, but it's early in the year.

#### Old Business:

- none

#### New Business:

- Safe Church training
  - Newer members to leadership team need to complete Safe Church training (some may already be completed – Jill will notify what is necessary).
- Hospitality wants input re: Easter breakfast – discussed above under "Hospitality"
- Connecting – Cal and Jonathan have begun discussing how we as a community intentionally connect to the larger community around us (and to visitors, etc.). Leadership team needs to spend some time in discernment and planning.
  - A leadership retreat will be arranged.
- Sally requested the use of the parking lot for people attending/participating in a March 28 No Kings peaceful march being held just down the street. Permission for this was given previously for a prior event. Was discussed whether we can allow those parking in our lot to use the bathroom facilities if needed. Jonathan moved that we allow parking lot use and bathroom use if the individuals are escorted by Sally or other Two Churches members while inside the building. Co seconded, motion passed.
- Briefly discussed potential ICE preparedness training centered primarily on our Diaper Depot ministry and the potential for some of our clients to be targets for ICE. Sally, Cal and Jonathan to look into this matter further and get back to the leadership team.
- Meeting dates in April and May – Cal will be out of town and unavailable in April, and is proposing that the April meeting be skipped, and the May meeting be moved to May 7<sup>th</sup>.

Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, March 19, 2025, at 6 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM and closed with the Lord's Prayer.