

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Sister Bay
Vestry Meeting, Dec. 13, 2020
MINUTES

Due to the pandemic, the meeting was conducted virtually via Zoom. The meeting convened at 2 p.m.

Attendees were Mother Barb, Betsy Rogers, Karen Malzahn, Carol Ann Osinski, Paul Neuman, Pete Thelen, Carol Heil, Susan Hoffert, Norma Bramsen, Trudy Jischke, Lori Holton

Absent: George Hughes

Procedural

Agenda approved.

Nov. minutes approved.

Substantive

The Disposition of Bequests was edited by Mother Barb and sent to the Vestry earlier. Betsy moved to accept the changes; Susan seconded. Approved unanimously.

The annual meeting will proceed via Zoom. The agenda will include the 2020 minutes, the election of candidates for Vestry (Lori and Trudy), delegates to the 2021 convention (Sue Raye Hughes, Pete and Roberta Thelen) and annual reports of the rector, Altar Guild, Stewardship Committee, Treasurer (presentation budget only), Outreach and Wardens.

Only Parish members are eligible to vote. Barb will communicate that in her announcement email. All annual reports should be submitted to Susan by Jan. 5, 2021. She will then send them to the parish members along with the minutes, the slate of candidates and the budget.

We have had a good response to the Christmas Services plan. So far, 11 people have indicated they will participate in the outdoor carols and candle lighting on Dec. 23 at 4 p.m. 18 people responded they will attend a Zoom service on Dec. 24. Karen suggested the time for that service be moved to 4 p.m. from 5 p.m., which was accepted by Barb. She will talk to Sue Raye about how to create music for both services. The in-person service will be at 5 p.m. on the 24th. It is limited to four people.

Dec. 15 was the dedication for the Habitat house of the Marvins. The boys will shoot and do commentary for a YouTube video.

Education via Zoom has been scheduled through April. A 12-week course on the Bible will be split with six weeks in January-February and the second six in April through the

beginning of May. These will be taught by Jerry Camery-Hoggat, who holds a PhD in Early Christian Origins from Boston University. From February through early April, Mike Eischen will finish the Living the Question series.

Karen motioned to withdraw \$10,000 from the Diocesan Common Trust. Betsy seconded. Passed unanimously. The form to withdraw the funds will be signed by Barb, George and Susan, then sent by Karen with a corresponding resolution of the Vestry to the Diocese.

Senior Warden's report

Betsy announced that she has approved a letter of agreement with the interim priest candidate.

Junior Warden's report

George was absent but Barb reported that we will not be doing repairs on the parking lot since we're not using it presently. That amount was deleted from the presentation budget.

Treasurer's Report

Karen noted that the budget makes the assumption Covid will continue to influence the economy for six months and we will have a normal economy for six months. This is an optimistic approach to the overall situation. Norma said we have approximately \$97,000 in stewardship pledges and there is an additional \$6,800 we could possibly receive from those not yet pledged. Pledges continue to come in. Thank you notes are sent to all pledgers and gentle reminders will be sent to those who have not yet pledged.

Our givers of record and the plate income has decreased significantly. We have incorporated the expenses anticipated for the interim rector as well.

Betsy motioned to accept the Presentation Budget. Paul seconded. Budget was approved. It will now be presented at the annual meeting.

Outreach Committee

We have \$47.18 left plus the \$1,600 gift received earlier. Carol H noted that the Nov. 29th drive was successful.

Old business

Carol noted that no one new has signed up for in-person worship on Sunday. There are normally only two people who come. Do we continue to promote sign up? Since we can now do private communion, Barb suggested we may get more people. No decision was made.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Hoffert
Vestry Clerk