

Vestry Minutes May 26, 2021

St. Matthew's vestry met on May 26, 2021 at 6 pm via Zoom. Members present were Anita Sacrey- Sr. Warden, Charles Messley- Jr. Warden, Kyle Dennis- Secretary, Dawn Burger, Chris Ellis, Ellen Gregan and Selena Ellis. The Rev. Jay Bruno, Rev. Nancy Cook and Deb Hanson- Treasurer, were also present.

6:03- Evening Prayer II

6:16- Meeting Begins

Old Business-

Motion: By Selena Ellis seconded by Anita Sacrey to accept April minutes as written. Passed unanimously.

Discussion of May financials

Average Sunday Attendance for April was 31.

New Business-

Discussion of Bishop Benfield's letter concerning loosening more restrictions on worship due to Covid.

The first Sunday in June we will begin singing three hymns three verses long at the 11:00 service. We will also begin receiving communion(bread) at the altar rail if comfortable doing so, and the greeter can bring the offering up to the altar. Worshippers who wish to can still receive communion in their pew. We're going to remove the seating signs in pews. We're going to encourage people who are greeting to continue to wear a mask while greeting. We decided to keep passing the peace while staying in our pew like we have been doing. We will also stop doing the online sign-up for worship.

A sign from the diocese is to be placed on church buildings stating that both masked and unmasked worshippers are welcome.

The vestry decided to send a thank you card to Kelly Kennedy for helping Chuck and Joanne Messley remove the stumps next to the church.

The carpenter is supposed to start on the porch at the RB house in the next couple of weeks.

We still need to find someone to maintain the cutting garden.

It was suggested that we use the calendar on our webpage for various groups to sign up to use the fellowship hall to prevent future conflicts of time.

We still need to have someone to contact for the Boy Scouts who use the fellowship hall.

Deb Hanson reminded the Vestry that we need to count all of the money for both services after the 11:00 service.

Deb Hanson can't figure out why some newsletter emails bounce that have hotmail and outlook addresses.

Deb Hanson thinks that we have around \$2000 left in the food pantry budget. Selena Ellis suggested putting plastic cutlery, can openers and dental care products in the pantry. Rev. Bruno suggested putting a list of items needed in the pantry in the newsletter again.

ECW is going to consider new cushions at altar rail and a new altar book as uses for their budget.

Motion: Ellen Gregan seconded by Chuck Messley to adjourn. Passed unanimously.

7:29- Meeting Adjourned