Vestry Minutes April 28, 2021

St. Matthew's vestry met on Wednesday April 28th at 6 PM. Members present were Anita Sacrey- Sr. Warden, Charles Messley- Jr. Warden, Kyle Dennis- Secretary, Dawn Burger, Chris Ellis, Selena Ellis, and Ellen Gregan. The Rev. Jay Bruno, the Rev. Nancy Cook and Deb Hansen- treasurer, were also present.

6:10- Evening Prayer II

6:24- Meeting begins

Motion: Chuck Messley seconded by Ellen Gregan to accept March minutes as written. Passed unanimously.

Motion: Ellen Gregan seconded by Anita Sacrey to accept April financials as written. Passed unanimously.

Average Sunday attendance for March was at 30, one more than February.

Short discussion of details of Facebook Live.

6:28- Old Business

The carpenter hasn't began building the new stairs to the RB house.

6:31- New Business

Continued working on sorting out the church directory.

Rev. Bruno asked the question- We're back in church, how's it going? The consensus among the vestry is that things are going well. It was mentioned that worshippers seem to be adjusting well to the changes that have been made to the normal service, including properly social distancing.

There was a discussion of who would count the offering since we don't have Eucharistic Ministers right now. The vestry decided the Reader and Greeter at the 11:00 service could count it.

The prayer mats have been repaired, Anita Sacrey will send a thank you card to lady who repaired them because Selena Ellis said it only costs \$20.

Rev. Bruno said that Adams pest control did an inspection and everything looked good. Terminix came out and set traps for vermin in the church.

Fanny Neely needs someone to help out in the cutting garden. Victoria Meyer was suggested by Selena Ellis. Chuck Messley mentioned that we have an automatic timer for watering,

Chuck Messley got a new light to replace the one that was vandalized near the outdoor cross.

Judy Matthews is going on vacation in mid-May. Rev. Bruno and Rev. Cook will speak with Carole James to see if she can play organ at services during that time.

Motion: Ellen Gregan seconded by Selena Ellis to continue having vestry meeting on Zoom for the remainder of the year.

Motion:Ellen Gregan seconded by Selena Ellis to begin considering possibilities for a vestry retreat next year.

The Vestry discussed Bishop Benfield's recommendations for returning to in-person worship.

Chris Ellis agreed to add page numbers to bulletins to accommodate worshippers who want to read from the prayer book during services.

The Vestry decided to put off discussion of singing hymns during service until Judy returns from her vacation.

Rev. Bruno mentioned a program called Rite Song that would be an option for printing hymns with notation in the bulletins.

Rev. Cook stated that it is about time to purchase a new altar book as the one we have now is almost beyond repair.

ECW- Joanne Messley is the new treasurer. Selena Ellis stated that ECW has \$976 available for whatever ministry it may be needed in. A few mentioned possibly Camp Mitchell. Dawn Burger suggested using it for new prayer mats.

Rev. Bruno said that Camp Mitchell will be putting off summer camp until 2022.

Rev. Bruno is going to attempt to contact Scout Leader of boy scout who use the Fellowship Hall.

Rev. Bruno agreed to talk to Susan about what to do with AED that Rex Avery donated.

7:43- Meeting ends