

Vestry Minutes – Feb 24, 2021

The Vestry of St. Matthew's met on Wednesday, February 24, 2021 at 6:00 pm by Zoom with the following members present: Anita Sacrey, Senior Warden; Chuck Messley, Jr. Warden, , Secretary; Dawn Burger, Selena Ellis, Chris Ellis, Ellen Gregan, and Kyle Dennis. The Reverend Nancy Cook+, the Reverend Jay Bruno+, and Deb Hansen (treasurer) were also present.

Father Jay led Evening Prayer.

Motion: Ellen Gregan, seconded by Chris Ellis to accept the January 2021 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: C. Ellis, seconded by Chuch Messley, to accept the January 2021 financial report, as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

Sunday attendance averaged 28.6 in January in the Zoom worship services.

Anita Sacrey agreed to send thank you cards as necessary. Thanks to be sent to Cricket Wireless for their food donation to James' Pantry. Will put on Facebook page.

Selena reminded us to thank Vine and Branches for their \$200 donation for James' Pantry. Will put on Facebook also.

We discussed the possibility of meeting outdoors on Palm Sunday and Easter since the covid numbers are down. It was pointed out that because of the snow the low numbers might be a case of low testing. We will briefly meet mid-month to decide what to do.

If we do meet outdoors, Selena has kindly offered sound equipment to use for amplification.

Chuck pointed out that one of the microphones in the church is bad. He will investigate getting a new one.

We discussed contacting members who have not been present, just to check on them. We will revisit this. Jay is going to start calling members. Selena reminded us that she used to email people rather than call.

Motion: Ellen seconded by Anita to have Chuck Messley as Junior Warden.

Starting in March, Kyle Dennis will take over the duties of Secretary.

Terminix has been called to take care of rodents in Church.

Dawn informed us about the prayer mats being chewed up in the church. Selena knows someone who can repair. She will get estimate.

It was pointed out that several lightbulbs in the church need to be replaced. Also one of the lights on the front of the church. Kyle will look at that one.

Confirmed that Susan is bringing ice for the perishable food event Saturday Feb. 27.

Discussed the money owed on Gwen Fry's pension that the diocese paid, and that we owe for.

Jay will talk to the bishop about the possibility of getting some relief on part of this debt.

Selena brought up the idea of helping Camp Mitchell somehow. Jay will reach out to Greg Warren to see how we can help. Selena said that the ECW has some money that might be used for that purpose.

For the time being Susan will continue picking lecturers for services until we meet in person again, at which time Martha Nehus will take over that responsibility.