

St. David's Episcopal Church

MINUTES of monthly Regular Meeting of Vestry Monday, September 14, 2020 Online via Zoom due to coronavirus

Present (check all that are at meeting):

- ✓ Mtr. Gaelyn Evangreene - Rector
 - ✓ Jessica Philyaw - Senior Warden
 - ✓ Sandy Frazier - Junior Warden
 - ✓ Gael Graham - Vestry Member
 - ✓ Vance Davidson - Vestry Member
 - ✓ Jake Jacobson - Vestry Member
 - ✓ Steve Steinbrueck - Treasurer
 - ✓ Kelley Dinkelmeyer - Clerk
- NOT PRESENT: Doug Hanks - Vestry Member

Opening Prayer was given by Mother Gaelyn.

DISCUSSION -

1. Reports/Minutes:

- a. **Meeting Minutes** - The August meeting minutes had already been approved via email communication prior to this meeting. Kelley will forward those minutes to parish administrator to post.
- b. **Treasurer's Report** - The treasurer's report had been sent out via email prior to the meeting. Some notes from that:
 - i. The Rector's Discretionary Fund has been switched over to its own account.
 - ii. The Finance Committee will meet several times to develop the 2021 budget for vestry approval.
 - iii. Send Steve any needs to be considered for the budget.
 - iv. It is time to start thinking about Stewardship.
 1. New online giving will be rolled out with this stewardship season.
 2. Discussion of what's been done in the past for stewardship season:
 - a. A stewardship letter is composed with a pledge card and date to return.
 - b. A stewardship chairman is chosen.
 - c. People are chosen to speak about stewardship.
 - d. Follow-up calls are made.
 3. We need to stress to parishioners that it is better not to designate gifts.
 4. Gaelyn and Jessica will come up with a list of possible stewardship chairs.
 5. Steve would like an electronic pledge option (instead of mailing card).
 6. We might want to keep track of what people offer to do for the church in their pledges. Gaelyn says she will follow up on these.
- c. **Virtual Wine Event (Ideas)** -
 - i. We usually raise \$2,000 - \$5,000 on this event in a normal year.

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- ii. A distributor gives us a break on wine.
- iii. We may go with Jeremy (who distributes to Eric's Fish Store).
- iv. We could do something like pick 5 or 6 wines (or have a larger list and pick 5 or 6 from these) - we would buy these at cost. Then we would taste on our own and meet online to discuss, or order on our own in case quantities.
- v. Gaelyn will talk to Betsy about the feasibility of this idea.

2. Senior Warden's Report (Jessica):

- a. Regathering:
 - i. We will continue presenting Sunday worship online.
 - ii. The task force is a logistical support group and not a decision-making group.
 - iii. Discussion was held about the possibility of people physically attending worship for a short window during fall.
 - iv. Gaelyn will work on a survey about regathering.
- b. Church signs:
 - i. The "Black Lives Matter" sign was stolen from church property.
 - ii. There was a discussion about where to place the new "Safe Zone" stickers.
- c. Technology:
 - i. Motion was made and approved to allow Steve to spend up to \$300 on a camcorder, but Sandy may have one to donate. If not, Steve will buy one.

3. Junior Warden's Report (Doug): presented via email prior to meeting

4. Treasurer's Report (Steve): presented via email prior to meeting

5. Rector's Report (Mtr. Gaelyn):

- a. Gaelyn has joined an environmental network called "Holy Hikes [holyhikes.org]"
 - i. She has planned a Holy Hike for September 27 with eucharist, and monthly hikes from there.
 - b. The St. David's Book Club is reading "The Hospitable Planet", and the author, Stephen Jurovics, will lead our book club discussions.
 - c. A motion was made and approved to accept the Cremains Application from Steve and Pat Steinbrueck.
- The Closing Devotional was given by Jake, who read the Cherokee tale "Battle of Two Wolves".

I verify that these minutes are correct to the best of my knowledge and recollection.
~ Kelley H. Dinkelmeyer, Vestry Clerk

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[These minutes will be made available in electronic version to the Vestry Members for approval.]