

Vestry Agenda

Date: April 12, 2016

Time: 6:30 pm

Present: Joe Thompson, Laura Martens, Fr. David Klutterman, Dixie Wilhite, Chandra Witter, Lisa Alexander, Cyndi Royer, Marsha Muerette, Pam Glennon

Absent: Georgia Moen, Erik Evenson, Ben Blagooee

1. Opening Prayer: Fr David

2. Approval of Agenda with Any Additions: none

3. Reports (not all subjects will have reports at any one meeting)

a. Clerk

- Approval of Minutes from Feb 9: Moved by Laura Martens and seconded by Dixie Wilhite. Motion carried

b. Rector

- Review of Holy Week and Easter. Discussion of vestry thoughts: Positive feedback for Maundy Thursday even though it was small group, lots of variety is offered in our small parish

- Thoughts were shared on being a downtown church with a mission: River District looking for solutions to 400 block problems. Discussion was held on opening a conversation between churches, social agencies, and businesses to create relationships that are beneficial to all. Ideas: have people fold bulletins for a meal voucher/ bus ticket, meet with involved groups to discuss needs, etc. The mission we are looking is being called to establish relationships with people. Discussion will continue at the next spiritual meeting in June. How will we respond to God's call in the downtown?

- Exchange with the Dean of the Cathedral on May 1: service times at 7:30am and 10:00am

c. Senior Warden

-Diocese of Fond du Lac is looking for opportunities for Youth summer mission work in Wisconsin near the end of July

-Commission on Congregational Vitality in diocese is looking for three date for a member of the commission to come to our church to do a three hour workshop. Fr. David responded to the commission with the efforts that St. John's has already done. He will be inviting a member of the commission to a spiritual vestry later in 2016.

d. Junior Warden-Planning to go out to Virginia seminary and would like to set up a prayer/bible study at St. John

e. Building and Grounds

- Organ repair: \$20,000 completed in re-leathering. This has been paid out of checking account thus far and will be removed from the endowment fund when all the bills are paid.

-There are about \$60,000 in repairs still needed . Motion made by Cyndi Royer to accept the remainder of the organ repair proposal and 2nd by Chandra Witter. Discussion on fund raising drive. Motion carried. Lisa Alexander opposed. Resolution for organ fund drives with a goal of raising \$50,000 with the remaining funds coming from the endowment fund. Motion by Pam Glennon and 2nd Dixie Wilhite. Motion carried. Dixie Wilhite and Pam Glennon will help make a presentation to the congregation on the fund drive.

- Lift update-none, materials have been ordered. Contractor has been contacted about changes to the wall.

- Bat Removal-no bids received

- Roof: We signed a one year contract for maintenance; received communication from Kulps inquiring about metal roofs

f. Communication

- Report from Administrative Assistant

g. Deanery and Diocese

- Circles of Light here April 16 and 30- commission on ministry for the diocese

- Diocesan meeting on diversity here May 14

- Bishop's Visit April 24: 9:00 forum and coffee hour
- Cursillo weekend of April 21-24

h. Ecumenical

- Downtown Churches

Stations of the Cross review

Downtown picnic on the 400 block

Downtown Open House on May 14th, volunteers needed to discuss the people who have donated stained glasses windows as members of the congregation and leaders in Wausau

- NAOMI

March for all lives on May 1 at noon at the UU church

i. Education and Formation

- Pilgrim program from Church Publishing: someone to look it over?

j. Finance

- Treasurer's Report: Motion by Dixie Wilhite and 2nd by Lisa Alexander to accept reports. Motion carried.

- Endowment Fund

The fund has been transferred to Wood Financial. The vestry needs to create a fund use statement. Dixie will chair a committee to write this statement. BMO Harris fund needs to be closed out.

k. Outreach and Evangelism

- Beginning to think about a "Downtown Mission"

l. Stewardship

m. Worship

- Summer schedule begins May 29 with 9 am Sunday services
- Church set up for the summer- no major changes projected.
- Georgia Moen and Vickie Richmond Hawkins helping pick out hymns

4. Old Business not including in reports- none

5. New Business-none

7. Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 10 at 6:30 pm

8. Blessing and Adjourn motion to adjourn Motion by Cyndi Royer and 2nd by Chandra Witter.