St Paul's Episcopal Church Vestry Minutes April 21, 2024

Present: Jan Edwards, Fred Cole, Margie West, Dan Rydholm, Marna Franson, Arlene Gordanier, Linc Frazier, Carol Potrzuski.

Jan Edwards, senior warden, called the meeting to order and Arlene Gordanier offered the opening prayer

Minutes from the March 17th meeting were presented, and Dan Rydholm made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, Jan Edwards, supported and passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Reviewing the Sound System-

The system has been updated for better use and the congregation The Holocaust Memorial Service on Thursday, April 25th 2 speakers at \$125.00 will Add to the ability of those present to hear well.

A significant key to utilizing the sound system is the "Sound Board" adjusted for speakers and people present

Arlene Gordanier made a motion to rent the speakers at \$125.00 Fred Cole was Supported and passed.

There was a discussion about the Electronic Ministry and the need for resources, and the efforts required to Zoom Sunday Services, and or special services such as Funerals, memorial services, and other special events.

Marna's Colorful sticky notes —check into Community Calendar Brainstorming 2024 Button up sale—June 15th at St Paul's Services Foster Care kids who fall between the cracks for help.

Coffee Hour

Invite the Quaker group meeting 1st and 3rd Sundays

Keep it simple Menus

Move it upstairs ???

More folks attend when it is on the same floor as worship

Revisit this discussion

Update the Church Directory and develop an Emergency Contact list

The Emergency contact list would be kept secure as a need to know when such Contacts might be necessary. The recent distressing emergencies remind us to be prepared and able to make contact with family and other contact folks.

Forms will be created, distributed, and gathered in May.

A New Directory is also helpful for Stewardship.

OLD BUSINESS

Thoughts and reflections About Money

Thoughtful insights looking to the Mission of the Church, Tithing from the recent bequest invested in People ministry, stewardship mission the church is called to.

Thoughts about Money Conversations

Conversation with Bishop Ray; About when and how we should Consider how to use the Imogene Miller Trust. Thanksgiving and Gratitude is foundational to our consideration. Rayford's visitation Sunday might be a good time to have this discussion.

Open ourselves to the possibilities of what God is calling us to—

Congregation Survey

Fred Cole's Summary
Marna's Colorful sticky notes

The Financial report was received from Treasurer, Linc Frazier. The report included the Trust report including the Imogene Miller Trust.

Junior Warden report:

Sound System issues and updates and potential upgrades. Emergency light upgrades—including Exit lights and backup Spring Clean up—May 5th back-up May 19th/20th

Church keys and the number to be corralled. Church stationery—new logo —tabled

Other Announcements

Diocesan Council report—Kris Mowafy

MSTYC (ministry support team yearly conference) Sept 27-28 Mary Grove Conference center–Garden

June 8th Dreaming and Visioning for congregations and the Diocese 10:00–3:00 here at St Paul's

Peace Camp 8th–12th August Fortune Lake Camp–Family Camp Solar Energy Presentations

Diocesan Convention Friday at St Paul's

Living Waters Cooperative-Minneapolis MN.

Meeting Adjourned closing prayers offered by Arlene Gordanier Prayers for May 19th Margie West Lock-up May Dan Rydholm.

Respectfully Submitted Arlene Gordanier Clerk for the vestry.