

April 20, 2022, Vestry Meeting in Redeemer Activity Center

Attending: Connie Karpinsky, Linda Chesbro, Cathy Crosby, Mimi Vickers, Heather Kennerson(late), Carl Stollenmeyer, Reverend Bill Combs. Zoom attendance: Sharon Bryan, Everett Price & Les Reed. Absent: Christine Young

Meeting opened with prayer by Carl at 3:03pm

News on Jenny Moore. She has had a fall and is in hospital. Hopes to go home tomorrow. Meal train may be needed. Father has covered the music for every service but May 15.

March 16 Minutes

Corrections made to minutes and approved. Motioned by Carl, seconded, Cathy.

Review of Holy Conversations & Capital Campaign

John Fox presented an outline of plan (attached). Committee members as follows: John Fox, Les Reed, Carl Stollenmeyer, Connie Karpinsky, Christine Young, Len Scullion, Everett Price, Nancy Beckemeyer, Ed Coleman, Keith Cooley, & John Braly. Several other parishioners will be asked to consider serving. The committees will assess current needs & develop a master plan, to include the metal building, ice house, Children's Center, Activity Center & grounds (the parking lots). John will guide the group and report back.

Proposal to Purchase Land between Children's Center & lower parking lot

A parishioner, who wishes to remain anonymous, has proposed to make an official offer to purchase the land for the church from the McGarrity Brothers for \$10,000. For many years the church has contacted the McGarrity's about purchasing or perhaps them donating the land to us, but have not had response. It is felt that this official offer will get the job done. After discussion, especially about the cost of cleaning up the area, it was moved by Linda and seconded by Mimi to make the offer. It was approved, with one Vestry member abstaining.

Treasurer's report

Heather reviewed the March Report. March Pledges are slightly under budget & non-pledges are over. Most expenses are in line.

Year to date: Pledge & non-pledge income are both over budget. Operating income is \$18,427 with budget of \$14,204.

Other income/expense: 1st payment to Our Father's Kitchen of \$250 was made and there was a donation of \$300 to the fund. Cash calendar is paying out winners.

Housing ministry is receiving rent with positive cash flow. Investments are down, due to stock market fluctuations.

Balance sheet as of 3/31/22:

Church is in good cash standing with no long-term debt and very little operating liabilities.

Treasurer's report was approved as motioned by Les and seconded by Carl.

Elaine Update

Linda purchased a ceramic Magnolia blossom from Genuine Georgia Shop to present to Elaine from the ECW. Vestry approved a \$200 gift card as moved by Carl, seconded by Linda. Connie, Ann & Elizabeth have Refreshments taken care of for the social after the 9:30 service on 4/24. No job search as yet, as the job description will be revised to reflect the needs going forward.

T shirts & Decals

Connie is taking orders for the car decal. Shirts have been handed out to those who are likely to wear at events. We now have pew cards, new trifolds, business cards and boxed notecards. Connie needs a letter from the diocese stating that we are a 501(c)(3) in order to advertise on Facebook. Father Bill will look into who needs to be contacted to get said letter.

Sabbatical Process

The process is nearly complete. Father thanked the committee for their endeavors. Connie suggested if getting supply priests is an issue during Father's sabbatical. Perhaps we could have the priest do one service per weekend. If Saturday has priest, then Sunday service would be morning prayer, next week Saturday would be evening prayer, Sunday has the priest...

Newcomer's gathering

It is planned for Monday May 23, at Lucy Ogletree's farm. Email will be sent .

Warden & Liaison Reports

Publicity

Mimi has told all of her publicity contacts that we are now serving Lunch at Our Father's Kitchen at Methodist church. Also she reports that it is looking very likely that the community garden project will happen at the new Boys and Girls Club property. Jim Borland is working on securing approval. UGA Ag will partner with us. She is hoping that we can secure donations and get other organizations to take part. Connie will publicize on Community Awareness site. Concern was voiced that none of the churches logos appeared on the new OUR FATHER'S KITCHEN banner. Sharon explained that it is hoped the project can expand with additional churches, hence none are on the banner, just the Our Father's Kitchen logo appears....

Outreach

Sharon reported that our first Saturday at OFK was a success. In spite of roads being blocked all over for Southland Jubilee, we served 56 lunches. The Homeless Coalition will have a representative from Athens' Family Promise at their next meeting to share information. We are doing Mother's Day goody bags for the ladies at Outreach Legacy Nursing Home.

Adult Christian Education

Cathy reports that she and her committee have a draft of an education plan through next May (See attached)

Parish Life

Father Bill gave Christine's report that the Folk Mass is planned for Saturday 5pm. Service at LOLC on May 21. Ken Crosby is helping with music and would like to do a Jazz mass in the fall. It will be advertised in the bulletin. The parish picnic will be October. The advent wreath making is also planned for next November.

Housing

Carl reported that the bathroom renovation is complete at Condo.

Connie has heard of a 17 year old young woman who is in need of a room. She is an orphan who goes to school, work, and has been living with an uncle. This is no longer possible. If anyone knows of someone who could help, let Connie know. Action Ministries might be a resource.

Father Bill's report

There will be no Saturday service on May 14 due to LOLC's Annual Fish Fry. John Bolton will serve the 9:30 mass Sunday May 1. John Fox will do evening prayer at LOLC 4/30. Charlotte Keyser's funeral will be this Sunday, April 24, 2:30pm at LOLC.

Meeting adjourned at 5pm with the Lord's Prayer