

St Matthew's Episcopal Church
Vestry Meeting April 27, 2022

The vestry of St Matthew's met Wednesday, April 27 at 6pm via Zoom. Members present were Chris Ellis (Sr. Warden) Kyle Dennis (Jr. Warden), Deb Hansen (Treasurer), Chris Yarberry (Secretary), Selena Ellis, Ellen Gregan and Melinda Hood. Also present was the Rev. Jay Bruno (Vicar).

The meeting began with Compline led by Rev. Bruno.

Old Business

Motion to accept March minutes as written by Selena Ellis, seconded by Kyle Dennis. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to accept March financial report by Ellen Gregan, seconded by Melinda Hood. Motion passed unanimously.

Average Sunday attendance for March was 33.

There was discussion of improved attendance.

The repair of the leaky roof and damaged decking on the Fellowship Hall was brought up. Bids were provided by Rev. Bruno (\$4,700) and Melinda Hood (\$3,255 for 3 Tab Shingles and \$3,384 for Arch Shingles) and had been given to the Sr and Jr Wardens Chris Ellis and Kyle Dennis. There was discussion of the options and bid details shared. A motion to go with Jake/Pro Roofing (Melinda's bid) and the Arch type shingles was made by Melinda Hood and seconded by Ellen Gregan. The motion passed unanimously. Jay and Deb will work on funding and Melinda will reach out to her contact to schedule the repair.

Rev. Bruno shared the update that EM/EV training will be moved to June and will not include lector training.

Ellen Gregan requested we consider returning to the traditional "peace" and everyone agreed we would but that it would remain optional for the people to choose how to participate; those who do not wish to make physical contact during the peace may still stay in their pew and signal peace by motion of the hands.

New Business

Rev. Bruno proposed a worship and event committee to plan for services/holidays and meet ahead of time to adequately plan for these by quarter. This was discussed and a motion to organize this committee was made by Selena Ellis, seconded by Chris Ellis. The motion passed unanimously.

There was discussion of online worship opportunities. Currently we offer Morning Prayer on Zoom at 7am on Wednesdays. The addition of Compline and Noonday Prayers was suggested to be offered via Facebook Live. This would allow participants additional opportunities to worship online and even if they are unable to join live they can watch the post later at their convenience.

Rev. Bruno and Selena Ellis met with CJohn and took a tour of their facility, exploring what they do. The need for volunteers was expressed. We are an associate member church and they are supporting our pantry.

Selena Ellis shared an update on our Habitat for Humanity activities. There will be a dedication and note-burning ceremony upcoming for Nicole who has completed her final payment. There will be tv and local newspaper coverage (Courier).

Ellen Gregan made a motion to adjourn, Chris Yarberry seconded.