St. Thomas' Episcopal Vestry Meeting May 14, 2024 6:30pm

Present: Elizabeth Moran, senior warden; Br Donovan Bowley, junior warden; Anne Rogers-Popejoy, clerk; Fr Paul Briggs, interim rector.

Haunani Wallace, Sarah Groman, Cheryl Reif, Elizabeth Moran, Ron Zdrojeski, Jacqueline Recht, Benjy Lowry, Gwen Prosser, Kendra Watkins.

Br Donovan Bowley opens the meeting in prayer at 6:38 pm.

Meeting begins with a roundtable discussion about the CAT survey, which is currently underway. Consultation with the CAT team to go over results will be May 29 from 6-9pm on Zoom. Let Anne know if you would like to gather in the conference room, and she will set up the Owl.

Consent agenda:

Motion to approve minutes of the April meeting: Haunani, second Donovan. Motion carries.

<u>Bishop's visitation</u>: July 28 at 9:30am to commemorate the consecration of the present church. Senior warden outlines plans for the day: please contact her to volunteer for specific tasks.

Interim Rector's Report:

- Meeting with Clarissa regarding brass quintet;
- Meeting with Bill Wayman of AV Systems of ME to determine feasibility of integrating the existing sound system into existing livestream technology.
- Eucharistic visitor training in progress
- Eucharistic minister training this Saturday at 9am: will help to have two chalices at 10am service
- May 19 Day of Pentecost, wear red.
- Pastoral updates
- Feasibility of one Sunday service from Advent 1 to Last Sunday after Epiphany/at some point in the church year; which Rite would we choose?

Senior Warden's Report: Elizabeth Moran

- By law update: members of the committee have current bylaws.
- Likely will meet in August to finalize.

Junior Warden's Report: Br Donovan Bowley

- Property Committee Walk About: See junior warden's report for full list.
- Outside electrical work is complete

Outreach Committee Report: Gwen Prosser

- Camden Rockport Middle School needs snacks and shoes for unhoused children; the committee will help them in the fall.
- Sponsoring a new child at El Hogar

Communications Update: Fr Paul Briggs

- Meeting with diocesan communications professional to review current communication program and resources on May 15.
- Realm Update
 - Suggestion to pilot with small group of families

Summer Fair Update: Cheryl Reif

- Next meeting Friday, May 24
- Goal is to firm up ideas and begin to make a solid plan.

Treasurer's Report: Submitted by Terry Mello, treasurer

• Discussion explored the comment that we would have a monthly deficit if we were paying a half time rector's health insurance and pension contribution.

Important Dates:

- Wed, May 29 at 6:00pm CAT consultation via Zoom
- Wed, June 5 at 5:30pm Bishop Brown's visitation, begin with potluck Haunani and Cheryl will organize
- Sat, June 8 9am-4pm Retreat at Limina Renewal Center

Sunday report:

8am: Elizabeth Moran 10am: Sarah Groman

Talking points:

- 1. 100th anniversary celebration of the consecration of the church building and Bishop's Visit
- 2. Property assessment walk about and priority list
- 3. CAT Survey reminder and promise to report results

Interim rector closes the meeting with the Lord's Prayer at 8:25pm