

Vestry Meeting Highlights – June 16, 2016

Following the opening prayer led by Lee Moody, Dale Wilhelm led a Dwelling In The Word exercise based on Luke 10 in which each vestry member drew a portion of the reading on a slip of paper and said what the Spirit was saying to them based on what was written on the slip.

We discussed issues brought up by the congregation, including favorable comments on the new carpeting (but not necessarily the smell) and a suggestion that we consider resuming monthly Sunday breakfasts between services, with a member of the congregation as speaker.

Dale Wilhelm, reporting for the Guiding Team, noted that representatives of congregations participating in Going Local met on June 7th to discuss their present and next experiments – and that ours will be actively participating in the next Firemen's Breakfast. Irene Williams reported that we would also be participating K-Fest on October 1st. David reported on his meeting with Going Local Parish Leaders and other Diocesan Staff on June 15th. He noted that there are now 14 participating congregations, and that it's the direction the Diocese will continue to go. At the meeting they discussed where the Diocese currently is in the process and where it's headed, and David stressed that Scripture must be primary and normative, and that this is a huge culture change from what we're used to, so we need education and support in order to deal with this in a positive way.

John Simonelli reported that the Beer Paring event that was scheduled for July 23rd has been postponed for a year to give the Stewardship Commission more time to prepare for the event.

Mary-Esther Arther reported that there are still 13 Time and Talent forms outstanding, and urged Vestry members to follow up with those on their respective lists so that we can compile the results in a timely manner.

We offered thanks for Deb Roehrer, Mary-Esther Arthur, Chris Snyder, Irene Williams, Marty Stanton, Pat Hodde, Guy Baskinger, Tom Snyder, Bob Ward, Mesrob Odian, Rich Dobson, Mike Roehrer, Ian Whitthoeft, Julie Dolci, Herb Grieshaber, Liana Witthoeft, Guy Baskinger, and Family Carpet for their amazing work on the carpet installation; for Dale Wilhelm for her coffee hour coordination; for Mike Roehrer, for this hard work coordinating buildings and grounds maintenance; and for the Grocery Card sellers and their credit card support team.

David noted that he would be away 3 Sundays this summer: June 26, with The Rev. Dr. Shane Phelan, COM preaching and presiding at both services; July 3, with Christine Rudolphi at 8:00 AM and John Simonelli at 9:30 AM leading morning prayer and Doris Snyder preaching at both services; and August 21, with John Simonelli preaching at both morning prayer services.

He also noted that some parish members who belong to the LGBT population are forming a Pride Group to discuss possible activities.

We reviewed and approved the Treasurer's report for May.

Julie Dolci, reporting for the Property Committee, noted the new carpeting and altar gate lock, and added that they are slowly working down their 'to do list'.

We amended and approved the church calendars for July and August as Vestry does not meet in July.

Respectfully submitted,

John Simonelli, Senior Warden