

MISSION COMMITTEE MINUTES

MAY 21, 2023

In attendance: Kevin Sangster, Lillian Knott, Pat Knott, Andy Listman, Regina Listman and Margaret McCafferty.

The meeting began at 11:10 a.m. with prayer led by Andy Listman.

Minutes: The Minutes were reviewed with no corrections. Kevin stated that he had spoken with the landscaping company that planted the Pansies and said they did a very poor job planting them as there were over a dozen that were just sitting on the top of the soil. He was given several excuses as to why this happened, but he will be pursuing this. A Motion was made by Andy Listman and seconded Regina Listman to approve the Minutes as read. All were in favor and the Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: The report was read but there were no questions raised.

Senior Warden's Report: Kevin is looking for any photos of former priests at Good Shepherd, so that can be framed and hung on the wall in the Sunday School room. If the Loans and Grants committee approves the grant as submitted, it will then go to the Diocesan Finance Committee for final approval. The grant money will be used to power wash and paint the exterior of the buildings, and repair several of the windowsills on the exterior of the church. Kevin is trying to get a Vocational Deacon and a quarter-time Priest for our church and has spoken with Canon Joanne Izzo regarding same. Canon Rob Droste will come to Good Shepherd on a Sunday, the date to be determined, and do a Preach and Teach. The Teach session will be 3 hours. To date, Kevin has sold items either on Craig's List or Facebook and has netted \$710.00. Kevin also stated that we must use our E-mail accounts at least once a month or the account will be shut down. He reminded us that when setting the alarm to leave, we must hear 2 "dings" after the panel says "Armed/Away", to make sure the alarm is properly set.

Jr. Warden's Report: We are looking to get a "global" alarm system, which only requires one panel to be set and both will be armed. The elevator will be serviced shortly. The camera in the Sunday School is still not operational. More flowers for the gardens have been ordered.

Outreach: Margaret has reached out, online, to the Red Cross to get a blood drive here at church. She is waiting for a call back from them.

Sunday School: Unfortunately, the Cape May trip was cancelled due to the rain. Regina will reschedule the trip. The last day for Sunday School will be in June and will be announced shortly.

ECW: The meetings will resume in June or July. Regina attended the district meeting, and they would like to have a meeting here at GS in the Spring of next year.

Memorial Garden: Regina mentioned that the cost for design and installation of the bricks for the Memorial Garden will be \$1,500.00, with approximately 100 bricks being used. The cost of an engraved brick will be \$50.00, and on the form, it will have a space for a donation for the upkeep of the garden.

Audio/Visual System: The contract has been signed for the streaming service.

Community Day: This year the event will be held on August 12, at which time backpacks will be distributed. It was decided not to advertise in the local paper, the Sun, but we will use banners and postcards to advertise.

Founders' Day: The following awards will be given out at the luncheon. The Distinguished Service Award, given to either someone currently alive, or a member since passed away, who has done exemplary work for our church. The Mission Committee will judge this award, but no Mission Committee member is eligible. The Faith and Service Award can be given to a church member. The Good Shepherd Award can be given to a church member, or an outside person who has devoted time or treasure to the church.

National Cathedral Trip: There are currently 17 people signed up for the July 23rd trip. Kevin will check to see if all those congregants are still committed to going that day. He has checked several bus companies and US Coach has come in at \$1,695.00, and it may be a minibus.

Large Screen TV: One has been purchased and will hang on the wall behind the priest's office and it was suggested a narrow console be placed under the TV. The TV will be for our church use and possibly for any outside groups. Kevin is going to order some portable tables for use in the Sunday School room.

Regina suggested that the church pews need to be cleaned and some refastened to the floor as they are not too secure.

New Business: Kevin asked for suggestions for a gift for the incoming Bishop, which is customary, and it was decided that \$200.00 was acceptable. Apparently, she will have expenses for new vestments.

Fr. Russell will not be here on September 17th, and it was suggested that if the Bishop's schedule permits, that she might be able to come and do the service.

The church audit will take place in June with the date to follow.

A Motion was made by Andy to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Lillian. All were in favor and the Motion passed.

The meeting ended at 12:35 p.m., with prayer led by Andy Listman.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret McCafferty

Secretary, Mission Committee

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