

Mission Committee Minutes

November 21, 2021

Attendance: Denise and Al King, Carole Marella, Sheila Williams, Regina Listman, Pat Schaffer, Lillian Knott, Kevin Sangster, Margaret McCafferty, Gail Cecchini and Darlene Watson. Visitor: Andy Listman,

The meeting began with prayer led by Sheila Williams at 12:17 p.m.

Corrections to the October minutes:

1. Outreach: Pat Schaffer wanted to clarify that the contact she has at the school is her sister-in-law, Mrs. Schaffer and not anything to do with the Lions Club they are separate.

2. Correction to Treasurer's Report on Octobers minutes: September ended with us in the black with \$2,981.79. 4,819.68 was from the DIT and the fundraisers. The value of the DIT fund dropped to \$430,118.04 in September.

Sheila Williams made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected and Regina Listman seconded the motion.

Sr. Warden's Report: Kevin Sangster reported that we are in good standing with the Diocese and asked us to continue to do all that is required to stay in their in good graces. Everyone was thanked for all their hard work and support. We were told to take break Thanksgiving week from all church work. Kevin reported that we donated old books to Shop Rite to support the local food bank. Our old bibles were donated to International Gospel Foundation which will benefit people in Africa.

Jr. Warden's Report: Al King reported that his upcoming project is to work on the flower bed where the church sign is and to place bricks around it to make it more attractive.

Office Manager's Report: Margaret will continue to work in the office on Wednesdays, but for fewer hours. She will not be in the office on December 8, 2021, due to cataract surgery.

Treasurer's Report: Gail reported that we need to collect \$1,609.00 per week to cover our budget. We collected \$3,310.00 for the month of October and needed

to collect \$6,436.00 to be within our budget. Margaret McCafferty made a motion to accept the treasurers report and Regina Listman seconded the motion.

Fundraisers Report: Lillian Knott and Darlene Watson reported that the event was successful, and we discussed the report written. The bag bingo event profited \$4,014.93 without the gift card raffle. We did collect an additional \$175.00 for the upcoming gift raffle that day.

We discussed making changes to the fund-raising events next year. We discussed having a bingo that would appeal to both men and women. Kevin suggested that we continue to reinvest the profits from the WAWA coupons to continue to purchase them as needed.

Outreach: Pat Schaffer discussed the possibility of taking a plant to each nursing facility in our area especially if we aren't allowed in to visit due to COVID.

The congregation has been supporting our efforts to collect items for the Women of Hope and the boxes have been full. The grant that was given for the Women of Hope should have a disbursement of \$5,000.00 very shortly for the Building Lives Together Initiative. Denise King is considering volunteering her time to work with the Women of Hope and may become a board member.

Stewardship: Denise reported that pledges are going in the right direction, and many are pledging more than last year.

ECW- Regina Listman - The painting event on November 7, 2021, was well attended with 10 in attendance. The next meeting will be 12/05/21 and they will be making Christmas Ornaments. We may be able to sell them next year if we have a Christmas Bazaar.

Sunday School - Regina Listman reported that the Sunday School is going well, and we are looking to continue to grow in numbers. The children are enjoying and are enthused about being there. Regina enjoys the children very much.

Annual Meeting - Nominations for open positions are due by December 26, 2021. The annual meeting will be held on January 30, 2022 after church. We discussed having a potluck luncheon during the meeting.

ECS – December 5, 2021, the Diocese of New Jersey is asking all churches to do a special offering on that day. Good Shepherd will have a special offering and Kevin

has suggested that because ECS mission of outreach is designated for Social Justice we should send our donations in future for such to them.

Christmas: Christmas Eve we will have a service at 7 p.m. Our next service will be our normal Sunday service. There will be no service on Christmas Day. Tee shirts are being made for the congregation for a Christmas present.

Priest Update: We will continue to use Father Chan for our weekly services in the meantime as we continue to research other options.

Budget- Each committee is asked to write a budget report for next year. This needs to be done by November 30, 2021.

Mission Grant: Kevin met with Art Knight to discuss our request for a grant. They discussed that they do not grant funding for certain building upkeep so our application was adjusted to reflect the change.

Good Shepherd Family Fund (GSFF): We have decided to give each recipient of our program an additional \$50.00 for the month of December. Instead of \$50.00 they will receive \$100.00.

We discussed helping a few additional people that we know need our help. Carole recused herself from the GSFF decisions.

The meeting adjourned at 2:23 p.m., with Denise King closing us out with prayer.