

MISSION COMMITTEE MINUTES

JUNE 12, 2022

In attendance: Sheila Williams, Carole Marella, Lillian Knott, Pat Schaffer, Margaret McCafferty, Regina Listman, Darlene Watson, Denise King, Al King, Kevin Sangster, and Andy Listman, visitor.

The meeting began at 11:25 a.m. with prayer led by Sheila Williams.

Minutes: Gail's name should be added to the May Mission Committee minutes as an attendee. In the second paragraph, the bishop will be visiting on the second of October and will be leading the service and will do a Confirmation and possibly a Confirmation and Reaffirmation. In the second sentence a question was raised about the bishop, visiting our church, and it will be the last time he visits us as a Bishop. On Page 3 under New Business, the Comcast charge of \$274.84 was for two phones and the Internet.

A Motion was made by Darlene and seconded by Regina to accept the Minutes as read, with corrections. All were in favor and the Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: There is an excess of \$18,977.00 currently in our account, however, this figure will be lower as our renovation projects move along.

A Motion was made by Pat and seconded by Sheila that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as read. All were in favor and the Motion passed.

Senior Warden's Report: We are waiting on the main contractor for the HVAC as they are currently very busy with other work, but they will advise as to when they can begin work. The beeswax candles on the altar have been replaced with oil, except for the seven-day candle which will remain a beeswax one. We will discuss purchasing new banners for the months in which we do not have ones for. We will discuss the excess robes and how some of them will be either kept or donated. A stole that was quite dirty around the collar was dry cleaned and placed in the closet in the Sacristy.

Junior Warden's Report: The concrete sidewalk leading up to the old church and around to the side door have been replaced as have the two openings in the sidewalk, one by the old church and the other by the ramp. The interior work will begin shortly. The air conditioning in the church will be replaced with two heavy duty units.

Office Manager's Report: There were no questions raised about this report.

Fundraising: One event was attended, and another will be in September – the Blueberry Festival in Hammonton. The local churches Faith event was attended by Darlene Watson, Denise King, Lillian Knott, Pat Schaffer, and Al King. Ticket sales of \$110.00 were sold. Darlene reports that our church name got out to the wider community. Pat Schaffer suggested that we do something similar here at Good Shepherd. Pat Knott and Darlene will be canvassing local merchants for donations for the Bag Auction. Carole Marella will be wrapping baskets as they are donated.

Outreach: At our last meeting it was decided to send \$500.00 to each of four homeless organizations; Interfaith Rise, Forgotten Haven, St. Paul's, and Our Brother's Keeper. Clothing that was collected will be given to them. It was suggested that we could do a community clothing drive, with the clothing being dropped off at our church, that volunteers could man bins on our lot for the donations. Pat Schaffer thanked those who dropped off glasses for the Lions Club. Our tent was located next to the Women of Hope tent at the Faith event, and they will be having a Fashion Show in September. Pat Schaffer will have more information available for our next meeting. WHO need volunteers for the Fashion Show.

Denise reminded us that the Faith and Service Award(s) forms need to be returned by July 11 and at this time only three have been turned in. Denise is going to join the Interfaith Rise group.

Sunday School: The field trip to the Aquarium will be postponed until September. The children will be awarded pins on Father's Day.

ECW: We will meet on July 17 after church to work on items for the Christmas Bazaar. Regina will be dropping off donations to the pediatric facility in Voorhees.

Announcements: Our By-laws were changed to allow us to be able to attend church via Zoom; however, this was not done to replace going to church in person.

New Business: For the 4th of July, we will be giving away free pretzels, selling water (which will be donated by Mission Committee members) at \$1.00 a bottle, \$2.00 for soda and \$2.00 or \$3.00 for hot dogs. Serving coffee will be determined just before the fourth to see how hot or cold it will be on that day. We need a volunteer to take people through the church to the bathroom and will ask for a donation to use same. Spiderman will be with us for the 4th of July. We can do have an Open House and engage the community with postcards to attend and have giveaways to promote the church. We have donated to three of the five homeless organizations, one not being for the homeless and will be sending \$1,000.00 to two others. \$500.00 will go to each of the following organizations: For the Love of Pete's Pantry which is in the Berlin/Atco area and Senior Citizens United Community, which helps Senior Citizens find shared housing. A vote was taken to approve the \$1,000.00, all were in favor, and it passed.

Old Business: Re the HVAC contract, Al committed to Patrick Kilpatrick without the Mission Committee voting on it. Patrick's quote for the work was \$27,200.00, of which \$25,000.00 was from the Diocese grant. The church will pay for the remainder of \$2,200.00. The quote from Friedrich Heating was \$28,200.00 or \$1,000.00 more than Patrick Kilpatrick's quote. The work that Patrick will be doing must be done before Chris comes in and works in the Sunday School area. A one-third deposit was given to Chris to begin the work.

The outside work contract will be given to Kelly at White Horse Tree Care. The shrubs will be trimmed, and some removed. The bushes will be pruned, and the total cost for all the work will be \$1,800.00. They will not weed but if Kevin has some help, he has offered to do the weeding. The current flower beds will be used with new plantings. A vote was taken to approve the \$1,800.00 cost. All were in favor and the vote passed.

Founders' Day: Sunday, October 2, will be the day for the celebration and will be held at Villa Deli, next to (the old) Nick's Diner in Sicklerville. The award(s) will be given on this day and the bishop will attend the luncheon and be given his gift. [REDACTED]

Regarding the Westcott will, her documents were destroyed, and the question is, will the rest and residue of her \$40,000.00 bequest be turned over to the Diocese if Good Shepherd closes. It will be tricky to combine her \$40,000.00 with our DIT investments. It was suggested that Norma Sherwood may have access to the Will, and it was also suggested that the County be contacted to see if there is a record of same.

We now have a family of seven groundhogs residing under the shed and Al asked how to go about removing them. It was suggested that he call the Boro to find out if they have an Animal Control unit.

The Committee was tasked with choosing a white banner for Easter, which could also be used for any other "White" Sunday. A purple banner was chosen to be used for Lent and Advent at a cost of \$133.00 for each banner. A long, red, banner was decided to replace the short red ones which Darlene's family donated as a memorial for her sister. We will re-dedicate the new, long, banners to her sister's memory.

Sheila asked if someone would be coming out to check the cameras. That will be taken care of after some of the major projects are completed. It was mentioned that the main bathroom needs to be spruced up with a new toilet seat. In the Spring, the garden beds will need to be mulched and weeded to keep them looking attractive.

Al made a Motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Regina. A vote was taken, and all were in favor. The Motion passed.

The meeting ended at 1:07 p.m. with prayer led by Sheila Williams.

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret McCafferty

Mission Committee Secretary