

Minutes of the Vestry
St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Windham, CT
18 April 2021

Present: Lynne Ide, Fr. Brian Blayer, Marian Brazziel, Wayne Haeger, Jim Russel, Donovan Reinwald, Rebecca Stearns, Pam Abel
Meeting called to order by Lynne Ide at 10:25 AM.

Fr. Brian Blayer Report

Fr. Brian Blayer reported that from January 2021 through April 2021 everything has been going well, and he is grateful for all that is happening at St. Paul's Church. Some St. Paul's parishioners attended Easter service at St. Mark's Church. Fr. Brian hopes to be a bridge between St. Paul's and St. Mark's. Fr. Brian is on the Windham Area Interfaith Ministry Board and suggested that St. Paul's Church might consider putting together a team to take part in the Steeple Chase. St. Mark's Church has a choral scholarship program and provides scholarships to students pursuing an education in music.

Wardens Report

Senior Warden, Lynne Ide and Junior Warden, Donovan Reinwald have no news at this time.

Mission and Outreach

R. Stearns discussed the ministry networks from the ECCT organization called "Companions in Mission". They are offering a training entitled "Health of a Church" and seminars including: "Hope in Local Outreaches", May 11, 2021. "Covid-19-Changes in International Travel" and "Refugees" are seminars scheduled in September.

R. Stearns presented information about an international outreach mission. ECCT's "Companions in Mission" is looking for a sponsor to make a connection with All Saints Secondary School in Uganda. The school is trying to raise funds to improve water, sanitation and hygienic conditions at All Saints Secondary School.

M. Brazziel made a motion to move forward to provide outreach and monetary improvement of water, sanitation and hygienic conditions for All Saints Secondary School in Uganda. D. Reinwald seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

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Property Report

W. Haeger stated that breaks in the stone wall are in need of repair. Jim Frazier will supply a quote to the property committee regarding the repair of the wall.

W. Haeger will schedule an outdoors working day to spruce up the gardens and grounds. The Memorial Garden plaques are up-to-date. Sean Green continues to provide lawn mowing services and will mulch the gardens.

J. Russel explained that an energy audit regarding lighting will be done within the next three weeks by an electrician. The cleaning of the organ will be completed by Richard Hamar for (\$275).

Treasurer Report

M. Brazziel reviewed the two-page Profit and Loss Budget Performance from January 2021 to the end of March 2021. Total Income (\$25,596.75). The total income exceeds the Year-to-Date Budget due to the grant provided by the diocese for community outreach programs. Total Expense (\$14, 477.38). Net Income (\$11, 119.37).

Discussion/Working Items

- Postponed in-person worship to May 16, 2021.
- Plan to offer communion on May 16, 2021.
- Pentecost service provided by Fr. Brian Blayer on May 16, 2021.
- Coffee hour provided by vestry members in the garden on May 16, 2021.
- ECCT grant of (\$7,863.87) for community outreach programs. Vestry members will check with existing community outreach programs to determine if there are needs which would allow for a funding proposal.
- An announcement about the grant and welcomed ideas for spending will be in the newsletter.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela D. Abel
Clerk