

Minutes of the Vestry
St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Windham Center, CT
17 October 2021

Present – Lynne Ide, James Russel, Wayne Haeger, Marian Brazziel, Donovan Reinwald, Fr. Brian Blayer, Rebecca Stearns

Fr Brian opened in prayer at 1106 am

2022 – Moving Forward

The Vestry has been reviewing comments from parishioners and reviewing the agreement with Fr. Brian, to better meet the needs of the parish especially during the pandemic. Conversation circled around hours and days as well as outreach and study opportunities.

Other items on the 2022 to-do list include:

1. Update Parish List – J. Russel and M. Brazziel will reach out to Janice to help to do this.
2. Ask Parish Goals with stewardship letter/time and talent sheet include question on concerns for return to church.
3. Hold Parish Working Meeting at Annual Meeting to review goals and involve all voices to help meet goals.

Advent - Fr. Brian has some ideas on special Advent services.

The Vestry will be in retreat 11 December 2021.

Reports

Fr. Brian

Concerned for the Kesslers, please check in on them. No update on music outreach.

Wardens

L. Ide and D. Reinwald working on stewardship and All Saints Day service.

Mission and Outreach

Walk for Warmth 21 Nov 21 and Fr. Brian is coordinating the liturgy.

Pam Abel has volunteered to be the liaison for WAIM. The Adopt-A-Family schedule is out.

CMMN is hosting a refugee seminar, R. Stearns will moderate 16 Nov 21 at 7 pm, Registration is now available. R. Stearns will follow up with Father Tom Furrer on the water grant.

Cameras ordered for church to aid in virtual meeting.

The No Freeze Shelter will present the Right for Refuge at the ZBA meeting 4 Nov 21.

WRIWG will host the follow up to the first housing forum 19 Oct 21.

Property

The Parish Hall ceiling has been sealed and painted and lights are being installed 18 Oct 21. Lee Mott has been contacted regarding painting baseboards for rust. The fans in parish hall are drawing up moisture and are unable to be reversed. They should not be used. The Vestry discussed dehumidifying options.

Treasurer – Report submitted

Next vestry meeting Thursday, 18 Nov 21 at 1830

Closed in prayer 1222