

## HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH VESTRY MEETING AGENDA

May 8, 2024

*See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?*

*I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. [Isaiah 43:19]*

**Present:** Pastor Dan Purtell, Robin Yates, Nancy Waugh, Cat Reith-Lowery, Eileen DeMings, John Grant, Ryan Bousquet, Susan Howland

**Regrets:** Lynn Garland, Jean Frost, Dave Monroe

### HOLY EUCHARIST

#### OPENING BUSINESS

Acceptance of Minutes Motion April 10, 2024 – **A motion was made to accept the minutes from the April 10, 2024, it was seconded and carried Susan Howland abstained she was not present.**

Treasurer's Report: Nancy Waugh **A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report, it was seconded, and carried.**

#### PRIEST'S REPORT

##### Pastoral Care Check-in

Pastor Dan spoke to the Rev. Michael Bastin about his partnership with Church of the Reconciliation Webster and Zion Lutheran Oxford. He told Pastor Dan building fellowship, planning events together, and not rushing things were what he was learning. Pastor Dan would like to invite parishioners for coffee. He will share his invitation in the bulletin and newsletter. Pastor Dan has a baptism at BLC this Sunday. The vestry assured him we can be flexible. He can text Susan Howland if he is going to be late and she will start the service with announcements and God moments. Pastor Dan will be attending the NE Synod Assembly June 6-8, 2024. Pastor Dan will take safe church training July 9, 2024.

What have we done well? The International Dinner, the transition is going well, and the Daughters of King new members and reception.

What could we have done better? Check with the children about the transition and the absence of Mother Judith. Communication about the transition and an explanation of the partnership. Explaining this is not a merger but a sharing of clergy with BLC that HTC is independent and both churches finances are separate.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

- Collaboration Committee members are confirmed: Dave Monroe (Cat is backup) Joe DiSalvatore, and Trisha O'Brien-Brier. Bethlehem has two members Dave Ortendahl, and Emilie Armenti so far looking to add one more member. The team will meet in person. Suggestion to have a combined newsletter maybe quarterly.
- Confirming June 2nd as the date Madisynn Segarra to receive her Fitzpatrick Scholarship and to acknowledge Jaycee Thompson for going from Elementary to Jr. High. Award to be given during the service. Special cake during coffee hour
- Grant for cooking for life and closed out report went to the diocese. **Motion to accept the report for the ministry development grant.**

#### MINISTRY REPORTS (as appropriate)

- Communications – Susan Howland. Cat Reith-Lowry, John Grant
- Building Committee – Jean Frost - Tamsin emailed a report.

- Cooking for Life – Tamsin Lucey – Final report received.
- Landscaping Committee – Lynn Garland, Dave Monroe
  - Lawn mowing: good news: our sexton, Greg, has offered to take over mowing weed whacking of the front of the church as part of his regular duties.
  - Spring cleaning of the garden has taken place. Thanks to Chris Briere and Robert Ikey for helping Dave Monroe and Lynn Garland spread the mulch.
- Family Worship/Faith Formation – Eileen DeMings first Sunday family worship goal to have some form of Sunday school in the fall. Adults, teens faith formation over summer questionable.
- Daughters of the King - Robin Yates new mission New Hope. There is a possibility of one more shipment to Liberia as the DOK has received more textbooks.
- Stewardship – Nancy Waugh, Lynn Garland – no report
- Praying Hands Ministry – Susan Howland reported there are shawls available.
- Hospitality – Lynn Garland no issues to report.

CLOSING PRAYER: John Grant  
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