

## **Bishop's Committee Meeting**

**March 19, 2020**

**Attendance:** Laura Murray, Deb Hurd, Brenda Toth, Steven Randolph, George Daniels, Dianne Foster, and Kay Rawlings (acting secretary). Absent: Gary James

Meeting held via Zoom due to COVID-19 restrictions.

### **Check-In** and **Opening Prayer**

**Review of Financials & Approval of February's minutes:** George had a question regarding the License One Music: We don't currently have a subscription to License One Music, it shows up in our budget as a "place holder" until we decide which music licensing to use moving forward.

Regarding Altar supplies, Brenda explained that we don't have any current altar supply expenses, but we will be buying new linens and palms soon.

There were no additional costs from the Bishop Committee's retreat.

Brenda moved to approve the February minutes and the financial report from Louise, Deb second, approved unanimously.

**Directory:** Laura wants to distribute the directory electronically for now and a printed copy later. Providing everyone with an up to date directory will be useful during the COVID-19 restrictions.

### **Old Business**

**Organ Work:** Bond Organ Builders out of Portland looked at our organ last Tuesday and we are waiting on their bid. Once the bid is received, we'll decide on who should do the repairs and if any repair work can happen during COVID-19 restrictions. George discussed turning the organ repair committee into general music committee for Faith. All thought that a music committee would be a good idea.

### **New Business**

**Church in light of COVID-19:** During the COVID-19 restrictions we will continue meeting and services online. In light of the pandemic and social distancing, Laura suggested we divide up into teams with a Bishop Committee member on each team. The teams will stay in touch and assist each other. (More discussion of the teams happens later in the meeting.) Morning prayers will continue live on Facebook and a recording will be available on Faith's web page.

We should plan on the COVID-19 closure lasting indefinitely. We discussed various options for staying connected and being in community. One idea was to have everyone drive to the parking lot and receive a drive by blessing from Laura. Zoom can be used for Sunday prayers and virtual coffee hours. The small groups can use Zoom to meet.

**Tithely:** Laura discussed adding an electronic way for parishioners to contribute to Faith and mentioned an application called Tithely. It would be challenging to implement a new program during the COVID-19 restrictions.

**Faith Teams:** We discussed the need to be connected in a more organized way and the possibility of splitting up into teams. Each team would have a team leader who would check in with people and ask 4 questions: how are you physically, how are you mentally, do have any needs, and what do you have to offer? Teams could use technology such as Zoom to stay in touch with their team members and others, or simply staying in touch with phone calls, emails, and letters. George asked about the cost of Zoom. Kay has a current Zoom account that Faith is using. The church could buy its own account for \$15 month.

**Zoom:** George moved that Faith purchase a Zoom account, Deb seconded, approved unanimously.

Closing prayers.