

**Bishop's Committee Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**May 22, 2020**  
**Zoom Meeting**

**Attendance:** Kay Rawlings, Vicar Laura, Diane Foster, Steven Randolph, Gary James, Debra Hurd, George Daniels, and Brenda Toth

**Bishops Conference Call:** The diocese is managing the payroll protection plan for Faith since we are a mission church.

**Opening Prayer**

**Review of Financials & Approval of April's minutes**

Gary asked about Laura's discretionary fund balance. Laura reports that she has sufficient funds to give out and assist people in need.

Deb moved to approve both the April meeting minutes and financials report, Gary seconded. Passed unanimously.

**Old Business**

**Organ work proposal:**

Laura has told Bond Organ that we'd like to move forward with the organ repairs, and she is waiting to hear back from them.

Household groups: All groups are going well; people know they can reach out if needed. Some groups are more actively in contact than others.

Bishop Rickel's visit: The Bishop's visit is scheduled for July 26<sup>th</sup>. We are hoping that the building will be open and we can schedule baptisms and confirmations. We may have to plan for an outdoor service or possibly a Zoom service with Bishop Rickel.

**New Business**

**Church in light of COVID-19**

Diocesan 4 Phase plan: Laura talked about options for reopening. Diane brought up that the president is asking Governors to consider churches essential and let them reopen. We cannot reopen since we are required to follow the Diocese guidelines. When we reopen won't be able to use our BCPs or handout bulletins so maybe we want to use chalkboard or paper signs. Since we will be removing hymnals and BCPs Laura suggested that we have parishioners take books home with them and bring them each Sunday. Gary mentioned that a recent report that the virus isn't easily transmitted on surfaces.

Steven asked if we have enough time between our services and Unity's services to do a thorough cleaning. Laura said that as we get closer to reopening, we will need to have a meeting to discuss options and requirements. Whatever is decided it will be challenging and require parishioners to assist with set up and cleaning. Laura asked that we all look at the diocese documents and think about things we can do during phases 2, 3, and 4.

June 7<sup>th</sup> Diocesan-wide service: There will not be a Faith service on June 7<sup>th</sup> since there will be a Diocesan wide Trinity Sunday service.

**Ministry Team Updates:**

**Worship:** Morning prayer continues on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday with Vicar Laura and Sunday morning services continue with Zoom.

**Formation: My Faith My Life:** Laura will be starting confirmation classes soon in preparation for the Bishop's July 26<sup>th</sup> visit.

**Outreach:** Community meals continue to be on hold for now. The plumbing for the washer and dryer is complete. The next step in the electrical work including a new electrical panel for the parish hall.

**Communications:** We continue to issue a weekly news blast and update our Facebook page. Services and groups are using Zoom effectively.

**Finance, Diocesan link for pledges:** We received a check from the Diocese for a contribution made using the Diocesan link on Faith's web page.

**Building & Grounds:** The cost to fix the parish hall windows will be covered by Cisco's insurance company. The cost estimate is \$1200. Jackson Foster is creating the stations of the cross for our memorial garden. Stations 1, 2, 3 and 6 are staged and Jackson is working on the remaining stations. Many thanks to Jackson's for his creative efforts and work on behalf of Faith.

**Unity:** We need to amend Unity's use agreement to insure that they follow the same guidelines as required by the Diocese for times such as these.

### **Other Business**

Deb asked Laura if we could move forward with signage and the painting of the outside of the church. Diane asked Brenda about reskinning the doors. It was decided that we would like the doors to be painted "Episcopal Red". We are not sure what color to paint the outside of the church. We also have repair work that needs to be done such as the pillars at the entrance of the parish hall. We agreed to start getting painting bids and Deb will check with the painter who did the interior painting. Steven brought up the moss on the roof and that we need to remove before we have roof problems.

**Closing Prayer.**