

VESTRY MINUTES - SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023

PRESENT: Katie Chipman-Bergsma, Nikki Clark, Ruth Neveu, Stephen Stiling; **ABSENT:** Linda Bourque, Sandy DePlonty, Cal Woodard; **GUEST:** Virginia Mannisto

Prior to the meeting starting there was a discussion by Katie Chipman-Bergsma regarding the possibility of a DOE grant for a new project. Such as changing to LED lighting in the basement, new furnace? Or other energy saving possibilities.

1. **Opening:** Nikki Clark opened the meeting at 11:45 a.m. with a prayer.

2. **Review:** Agenda no changes

3. **Public Comment:** None

4. **Ministry Support Team:** Gin Mannisto encouraged someone on the vestry or in the congregation to go to the MISTYC conference Sept 29th and 30th. Also, it would be good for the vestry to consider convening a discernment process for the church. A covenant group would meld in with the MST group. Normally there are four different dates/sessions for discernment. This could be put on the September agenda to talk about. The Committee would be doing a discernment of the congregation to see what gifts people have in a prayerful way to see who the person might be to be a priest or deacon or educator or whatever role. Katie recommended that a process be talked about at the September meeting.

5. **Review/Approval of Vestry Minutes June 18, 2023: Motion to approve the minutes made by Nikki Clark seconded by Stephen Stiling No opposition or abstentions, motion carried.**

6. **Treasurer's / Endowment / Budget Approval:** Discussion about the budget and the funds spent and nothing seemed out of order. Edward Jones account looks good.

7. Committee Reports

a. Christian Education – None

b. ECW Report – None

c. Outreach – Brenda Perry and Debra Beamish are attempting to get Rainbow Recovery program running again. Brenda Perry is working on getting the zoom meetings as well as in person going again. Brenda had a hardware problem and hopes to resolve that issue soon.

8. **Senior Warden's Report:** None (absent)

9. **Junior Warden's Report:** None

10. **Old Business:** None.

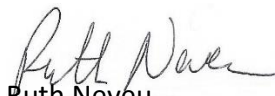
11. **New Business:** Discussion about the Christmas Eve service for 2024, it was decided that MST will be discussing times and getting back to the vestry.

11. **Next Vestry Meeting:** September 17, 2023 – 11 a.m. approx.

12. **Adjournment and Closing Prayers: Motion to adjourn made by Ruth Neveu with a second by Nikki Clark. No opposition or abstentions, motion carried.**

Adjourned at 12:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Ruth Neveu

Clerk of the vestry