

St. Antony of Egypt Episcopal Church
Minutes of the Bishop's Committee
March 11, 2021 via ZOOM

The Bishop's Committee meeting was opened with a prayer led by Julie Sherwin

Attendee's present were Vicar Bill Fulton, Penny Whitney, Peter Stockwell, Jim Foley, Esther Osborne, Julie Sherwin, Loretta McGinley, Dave Peterson, Emily Nickerson and Dee Perreira

Fr. Bill led a Bible study on Deuteronomy 26:1-4

Review of Minutes:

Esther O. motion to accept and Loretta M. seconded. Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Jim F. stated he is still working on it and will probably give an updated report by the weekend. However, he mentioned that we are expecting to lose money verses how much we took in and it looks like \$1,262 in the red for the month. People are still doing particularly good on the online donations but would do better in person. Peter S. had shared that hopefully with the upcoming stimulus for small business that we could get some assistance.

Note: No motion was announced

Old Business:

BC Commissions - Position Descriptions

Peter S. received information for changes and discussed to confirm positions, he will amend the document and resend to everyone.

Commissions confirmed:

Outreach - Loretta M. and Dee P.

Welcoming – Emily N.

Youth/Faith Formation - Julie S.& Esther O.

Communications – Chelsea R.

Pastoral Care – Penny W.

Parish Life – Dave P./Chelsea R.

Environment – Dave P.

New Facility – John S.

Bishop's Warden – Peter S.

People's Warden – Penny W.

Clerk – Dee P.

Stewardship & Finance - still open but they have potential candidate (s)

BC Commissions - Position Descriptions (continued)

Both Peter S. and Fr. Bill had informed everyone that you can rewrite the description to make it fit to your interest.

Re-opening plan: Usher job descriptions

When the numbers start to look good in Kitsap County, Church will be allowed to open at 25% capacity. St. Anthony's capacity is 244 which will allow 60 participants. Both services should not be a problem as some people are still uncomfortable with being there in person. Facebook live services will continue for both services (8:00 am and 10:15 am) when the church is opened for in person.

Upon re-opening one of the guidelines are temporary ushers that is needed, and training will be provided. Fr. Bill shared the duties of being an usher and have suggested that the BC take part of this assignment. Ushers for the 8am service seems to be covered, but spaces are needed for the 10:15 am service. Therefore, the BC that volunteered are Esther O. Peter S., Dave P., and Loretta M.). Fr. Bill also shared that Sunrise Service on Easter day will be held outside at 6:30 am for 30 minutes with people at social distance.

New Business:

Stewardship discussion: "12 Steps to Successful Stewardship"

Everyone took part in reading and discussing each paragraph. "Good discussions" stated by Fr. Bill and then Peter S. shared the website www.tens.org as it has useful information.

Stewardship Banquet with Bishop Rickel, Wednesday, October 27

Fr. Bill expressed on being hopeful that this will culminate in the upcoming Stewardship Banquet and that we can have a theme to have consistent message.

Guidelines for outside entities to use church

Loretta inquired a few things about using the Church for an organization like; can an outside group use our space, has it been done in the past, what are the steps to follow and is outside inquiry part of Outreach. Fr. Bill stated that if the group is Non-Profit, they will need to provide a COI (Certificate of Insurance) and anyone that is part of our ministry in church (or part of a group that is in our ministry) they do not have to provide a COI. Outside inquiry is part of Outreach, so contracts will need to be completed. There are guidelines to follow that David Wilkinson is putting together and Fr. Bill will send them out to everyone and anyone using St. Antony facility depending on the organization will need to pay or should compensate the church.

Other discussions

Dave P. brought up about the Gardening area and Peter S. responded that he and Fr. Bill had discussed that recently and would like to get that started soon.

Other discussions (continued)

Julie S. shared when she has extra seeds she will donate (Thank you Julie!). Dave P. also mentioned that he has already put it out there to contact him for this project and maybe we could get more help by putting a sign up through the parish email or maybe on the St. Antony's website. It will be a working progress and will work on a Core group for gardening, but for now it will be with Dave P., Fr. Bill, Esther, and Peter S. to take on this task and go from there.

Reports from Wardens and Commissions:

None now.

BC meeting was adjourned at 7:56 pm

Submitted by Dee Perreira