

BC Reports

Bishop's Warden – Loretta McGinley

Many thanks to our People's Warden, Holly, for filling in for me while I was unexpectedly away on Grandma duty this month.

Outcome of Zoom meeting on 4/26/23 with Diocesan legal advisor, Judy Andrews, to gather information regarding St. A's Building Use:

- *A priority for the Diocese is to maintain the state property tax exemption.*
 - *50 days of the year non-church groups may use church property*
 - *15 of those days may include use of the building by outside groups or individuals for pecuniary gain*
- *It's OK to charge rent for use of property by non-profit organizations and other groups, either long-term or one-time event usage.*
- *Outside groups using the church property do not have to have their own liability insurance; it was recommended talking with the Church Insurance Group to further explore our current coverage.*
- *It was recommended any group using the property sign a hold harmless/release from liability form.*
- *The coordinator of a requesting group in which children may be present, needs to attend Safeguarding God's Children program and share information with their group participants.*

I spoke to a representative from the Church Insurance Group, and I've outlined information from this talk below.

- *In renting/loaning space to outside groups, a landlord-tenant relationship exists.*
- *Liability is determining who is responsible for an injury to the 3rd party. If a non-church person is injured on the property due to St. A negligence (e.g. defective equipment), St. A's is liable.*
- *If injury to the property occurs by non-church users, a property claim to Church*
- *Insurance can be made.*
- *Liability and/or property damage may be covered by an individual's (non-church member) home insurance.*
- *The Church Insurance representative sent a copy of their Safety and Insurance Handbook for more detail about what they cover.*

We need a few folks willing to continue to explore and recommend Building Use guidance for St. A's.

Peoples Warden/Welcoming/Pastoral Care – Holly Foley

April 25- Loretta and Holly had Zoom meeting to ask questions of Diocesan Lawyer about liability and building use.

Holly/Loretta/ Benny met with Anna (Owner of Crescent Moon Catering) to walk through the building to discuss next steps in using our building as a wedding and meeting venue.

May 6- Church grounds clean up from 9-12am We had 12 -14 people work on weeding gardens, mowing, weed eating, tree trimming etc. This will continue each month on first Saturday through the summer? Benny Wright has volunteered to mow lawn regularly 😊

May 11- Met with Sylvia, Marj, Gail, and Carolyn S to begin to organize the Pastoral care needs. We made list of people to call and divided the list. Request was made to have a sheet of return address labels for church address to give to each member to send notes. Janet Steller has been invited to represent the 8 am service.

May 14- We had a farewell coffee reception in the pavilion to send Fr Craig off to his next adventure.

May 15- Met with Linda, Guy and Sarah to learn how to fill in for Linda if she needs to have surgery.

Faith Formation-Youth - Julie Sherwin

Godly play continues to bring lots of children joy and learning. Next meeting I'll update you on Kristen's plan for the summer.

The youth are busy planning the spaghetti dinner on the calendar for 3 June. We'll get the RSVP sign up in the coming weeks. I'm hoping to set a summer camp and pray on the books as well as a summer picnic geared towards our youth.

Treasurer – Jim Foley

Through April we remain ahead of our budget YTD, posting a less than \$1k loss in April and in the black by \$11k more than expected YTD.