

# CMEC

## VESTRY MEETING

March 13, 2022

**Vestry Members Present:** Doug Cummings (Treasurer), Joseph Koons, Jenn Patterson, Dave Peterson, Erin Ryan, Sharon Shutovich, Jim Strader-Sasser, Michelle Walczak, Robin Kessler (all participants were on Zoom)

**Vestry Members Excused:** Deb Williams

Fr. Jim opened the meeting with prayer and called the meeting to order at 12:15 pm.

### Approval of last meeting minutes

The minutes from the February 13, 2022 vestry meeting were accepted by unanimous consent.

### Reports

#### Treasurer's Report

Doug provided his treasurers report in advance of the meeting, noting a few issues with QuickBooks; he will be addressing the need to upgrade with our accountant, David Snodgrass. Short Term Disability Insurance continues to be collected to cover Mother Allison's salary and benefits. The transition from short-term to long-term disability will be discussed with the Church Pension Group, pending her recovery. The treasurers report was accepted by unanimous consent 7/0/0.

#### Priest in Charge's Report

Father Jim recently attended the Episcopal Parish Network meeting (previously known as CEEP) in Atlanta, GA. Robin asked if other parishes are struggling to bring back parishioners, post COVID. Father Jim noted many churches of CMEC's size are also struggling.

Fr. Jim has made several pastoral care calls, mainly at St. Paul's. There were also a few recent pastoral calls at CMEC.

Priest Associate Update – No updates.

#### Senior Warden's Report

David thanked Jenn Patterson and Dave Hippenstiel, St. Paul's for their work on the first combined newsletter.

Dave questioned the issue with the camera system, which will be evaluated within the next week for repairs, pending a request for a service call.

### Junior Warden's Report

Michelle reported that Lezzer's is in the process of checking on the parts for the Pine Street door, the order for the Market St. handicapped access is in progress. She is also waiting for the estimate on the West doors.

Michelle still has not found anyone for snow removal. Someone shoveled the East Market street on March 12<sup>th</sup>. Michelle's daughter, Maddie removed the snow from the Pine Street sidewalks.

The front door lock at the Rectory has been repaired, thanks to Father Jim.

Michelle will discuss rectory heating and air needs with Fr. Jim in the near future.

### Committee Chair Reports

Mission and Outreach – No update. Sharon thanked everyone for their support of her friends in Ukraine.

Hospitality – Tentatively planning a May Day brunch, Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. Becky and Robin cleaned the community room/cabinets, all items are now organized and labeled. The kitchen will be reorganized at a later time.

Finance - No further updates.

Shaped by Faith – The Erin reported the committee is still looking for space to relocate the diaper bank. Only 5 families were served at the diaper bank on March 12<sup>th</sup> due to the weather, so it will be opened again next Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup>.

Youth/Worship – No updates.

Newsletter – The first newsletter was successfully distributed to both parishes.

Advertising /Video Productions – No live streaming until the video system is repaired. The Bloomsburg radio station reached out to Father Jim about advertising for Easter services. He will reach out to them for an estimate, then follow-up with the vestry.

### Old Business

Cemetery Repairs – The cemetery fence has been repaired. Dave has contacted Victor Koons to have the signs installed.

Holy Week – Father Jim discussed a tentative schedule for Holy Week, pending the availability of a supply priest. He will distribute a schedule to both parishes once finalized.

**New Business**

Mask Mandate – Vestry agreed to follow the CDC guidelines for masking. Effectively immediately masks will be optional. Dave made the motion, effectively immediately, followed by Sharon. Accepted by unanimous consent 7/0/0.

**Circle Way Check Out and Lord’s Prayer (closing)**

Time and date of next meeting set for Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 12:15 pm in person in the community room.

Meeting adjourned @ 1:31 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenn Patterson

**Class of 2022**

David Peterson III  
Sharon Shutovich  
Deb Williams

**Class of 2023**

Erin Ryan  
Robin Kessler

**Class of 2024**

Jennifer Patterson  
Michelle Walczak  
Joseph Koons