

Vestry Meeting Highlights – August 19, 2016

The opening prayer led by Jennifer Trevisan followed by a meditation by Irene Williams on her recent experience of God's presence in an emergency room through a seriously injured youth who asked his parents "can we pray?"

Dale Wilhelm, reporting for the Guiding Team, noted that they will be meeting at the Kinnelon Library on August 23rd, and David reminded the group of the invitation from the Bishop to attend diocesan Going Local meetings, such as the one in Denville on the morning of September 17th

John Simonelli reported that the Stewardship Commission has approved a menu for the September 17th Thrill of the Grill event, that the theme of this year's Financial Stewardship Campaign is "Building Bridge of Hope", and that the campaign will be launched at a brunch hosted by the Commission on September 25th. He added that as a variation of stewardship minutes during Stewardship Season speakers will be asked to present how the various ministries they represent fulfill our parish mission.

We offered thanks for John Simonelli and Nancy Moody, who will lead worship on August 21, for John preaching at those services, for Doris Snyder, leader of the Dream Group, for members of the Stewardship Commission who coordinated the Potluck Barbeque, for Christine Rudolphi for pulling together the Time & Talent List, for "the Saint David's Saints" for preparing and serving dinner at St. Paul's Men's Shelter, and for the parish musicians, soloists, and sextet.

David noted that he has scheduled a review session for all worship readers on September 10, and that he will be participating in Racism Dialogues on September 23 and 24 as mandated by the Diocese.

We reviewed and approved the Treasurer's reports for June and July and approved the 2015 Audit Report, which will be submitted to the Diocese.

John noted that effective October 1 we will be switching from Paychex to Media Data Services for our payroll processing.

Mike Roehrer, reporting for the Property Committee, reminded us that the parking lot and all driveways will be seal coated on August 22 through August 25 while all our tenants are away, and that anyone who must come to the church complex should park on the shoulder of Kinnelon Road on the same side as the church. He also noted that the stripping and waxing of the church hall and hallway floors has been postponed until we can further investigate our options. Lastly, he called for a vote to confirm our previous email vote to approve an anonymous donation from a parishioner covering the cost of the seal coating.

David announced that a new Outreach Committee has been formed, chaired by Doris Snyder, and that Debbie McCracken and Dale Pappas-Wilhelm are also on the Committee.

We approved the lease renewals for Melody in Motion and Children's Center.

We amended and approved the parish program dates for 2016-2017, and amended and approved the church calendar for September.

The meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

John Simonelli, Senior Warden