

Minutes

FAITH FORMATION MINISTRY BOARD - OCTOBER 24, 2017

PRESENT: Jennifer Williams, Ruth Smith, Canon Jim Hanisian, Nan Bush, Tom Griffin, Deborah Miller, Tina Powers, Bill Carney, and Debbie Evans.

The meeting was opened by a prayer given by Canon Jim. Chairman Nan Bush asked for reports from the various committees.

STEWARDSHIP: The committee hopes to close out this year by November 6. On October 29 between services a social with sweets and snacks will be offered.

RENEWAL WORKS PROGRAM: Canon Jim reported that this program is slated to begin at the first of the year. A six member workshop leadership group will be chosen in November and a survey given to the entire membership.

NURSERY: Rather than having two paid people in the nursery for each 10:30 service, we will have one paid person and at least one volunteer.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Discussion continued about finding leadership to replace Jennifer as her activity moves over to Vestry membership. A new member has expressed interest in working with children, and Jennifer will meet with her and others to find a way forward.

YOUTH GROUP: Tina will schedule a meeting of the Youth Committee, the Acolyte Committee Leader, and others to plan a specific activity for middle and high school young people.

LABYRINTH: The labyrinth will be used for Advent activities and possibly an Epiphany Candlelight Walk. Debbie is coordinating with other ministries.

LIBRARY: November book selections will emphasize the End of Life. Deborah has interest in forming a book club in 2018.

9:00 ADULT EDUCATION: Topics of discussion will be determined after the conclusion of the Program Church explanation. Canon Jim is planning a series on end-of-life issues.

FAITH QUESTIONS: The Seekers group is sponsoring a project to encourage the congregation to think actively about their faith. Question boxes will be placed in the narthex for religious questions. The Faith

Questions committee will publish a Question of the Week and post others on the website. There is discussion about how to respond to the questions, which may involve Sunday forums, the website, short-term classes, and other means.

BIBLE 101: Class for beginners started with enthusiastic attendance. It grew from seven to sixteen people by the second week.