

Parish Life Ministry Board Meeting Minutes: November 28, 2018
5:00 PM Parish Hall

Attendees at our meeting in the Parish Hall were: Barbara Edwards, Frazer Crane, Pam Hayes, Sharon Sands, Sarah Pettus, Susan Chase, Tink Shelton,

Sarah opened the meeting with a prayer.

Newcomers: Frazer Crane shared that there is one new member since last meeting. Mary Christine Kostainschek will visit as the person lives in St. James. Susan Chase passed along Stephen Ministry bookmarks that can be included in the gift bags. The personal visits are well received and there are new pledges coming in from these newest members.

Our meet and greet was postponed (Florence came along instead). It will be Sunday, after the 10:30 service on Feb.10th with new invitations, both snail mail and email, sent to all who have joined since our last Meet and Greet. Also in the News Letter. Suggestion: A representative from each Board to be invited as well. We will discuss logistics closer to the event, as we are sure where we will be meeting for services by then. Theme "Love our New Members"

DOK: Sharon reported that the Fall Quiet Day will be scheduled during Lent. Sharon updated us on parishioners that have had/are having surgery and ways that we are supporting them. Monthly lunches are continuing to be provided for Lower Cape Fear Hospice in Bolivia.

Stephen Ministry: Susan Chase reported on recruitment of new members who will have joint training with the Southport Presbyterian Church Stephen Ministry group in January. This is a good joint effort, a very good relationship.

ECW: Tink reported that the annual meeting will be this coming Saturday, December 1st. New Board members will be inducted. Approximately 35 have signed up already to attend. ECW hosted a successful Deanery meeting in October in spite of our tattered campus. The Fall Festival weekend resulted in \$7,700.00 raised for outreach. Well done!

Bereavement: Pam reported that she is trying to plan the next offering (in conjunction with Fr. Bill Eberly) for the new year. Another idea is to offer "The Darkest Night" service for those who are grieving/have difficulty with loss - especially during the holiday season.

Senior Ministry: Sarah reminded us that if we hear of someone who needs some equipment from our "library of assistive devices", please let Michelle know so she can help with getting a W/C, walker, etc. to a person who could benefit from this.

Hospitality: Sarah reported that as we are currently having services at the Moose Lodge, there is not a rota for "Coffee Hour". However, there are upcoming events:

December 2nd: One service at 9:30 AM, the Community Center on Moore Street. Followed by our Annual Meeting, with Pot Luck Lunch. Sue Thompson is chairing the event and has everything organized.

December 3rd: Tree Lighting on the lawn at St. Philip's. Fr. TJ will lead, there will be singing, and hot chocolate and cookies in the Parish Hall immediately after this short service.

December 9th: One service at the Moose Lodge at 10:00AM, with a visit from the Presiding Bishop. Come early, parking will be tight! A reception will follow the service.

We closed our meeting with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Sarah Pettus, Chair