

Parish Life Ministry Board meeting

May 6, 2021

Attending: Linda Humphreys, Frazer Crane, Rose Dahill, Ruth Smith, Dolores Tipton, Tink Shelton

Linda opened with a prayer.

The vestry has assigned a member to attend each ministry board meeting. Jimbo Smith is our liaison. As Chaplain he will support us and be a vehicle for information to and from the Vestry

Ministry Reports:

Dolores for ECW

A board meeting was held on Monday, May 3.

The Lunch Bunch will meet at Provisions at 11:30 on May 25. On June 25 the group will go to Wilmington, possible to Airlie Gardens.

The Fall Festival is scheduled for October 2. One shell workshop has been held. Deborah Alt will hold a series of craft workshops in the parish hall at future dates. Because of the construction of the new parish house, the lawn will not be available for tents. A new location is being sought.

Rose for Newcomers

The Shepherding program is being planned.

A greeter will stand by each priest after each service to get names of newcomers. The greeter will follow up with a phone call or a short note.

The gift bag program has been dropped.

There have been 35 new attendees in the past year. Father Eric wants a simple lemonade and cookies reception to welcome these people.

Frazer for Men's Club

No meetings are planned until the new parish house is completed.

Clark Sizemore and the Odd Jobbers have done some work at New Hope Clinic.

Ruth for dinner groups

Dine Out groups will start up again in the fall. Dine-In groups will begin again eventually.

Barbara Edwards

The Rides program is on hold for the foreseeable future.

Jeff Krantz

The Brotherhood of St. Andrews is not ready to meet yet.

The worship service and picnic at Brunswick Town were a great success. Each group bringing their own food worked well, but next year will hopefully be a potluck.

The vestry has asked each ministry board to write a mission statement. Linda will write a proposed statement including "growing in God's love," "connect with one another," "strengthen fellowship," and "love."

Neighborhood groups have been put on hold until after Covid. Perhaps some groups would be based on interests. Perhaps we could have a monthly potluck in the new parish hall with groups or classes meeting after dinner.

Having a newcomers' gathering after services on Sunday leaves many people out. People attending the early services don't want to wait around until the last service is over. So we plan to invite all newcomers to join us on the labyrinth on Sunday, May 23, from 4:30 to 6:00 to get to know each other. Cheese, crackers, wine and soda will be served.

We will work on plans for a picnic at Waterways Park in July. The same group of people will be invited.

The idea of parishioners interviewing each other and then writing a short item about the person interviewed to be put in a parish newsletter will be discussed later. This type of activity is sometimes called Silver and Gold.

Our next meeting will be June 3 at 3:30.

Respectively submitted,

Tink Shelton