St. Luke the Physician Vestry Meeting on ZOOM June 14, 2020

In attendance: Sara Cosca-Warfield, Lainey Johnston, Linda Simmons, Raven Herrington, Laurel Hart, Linda Meade, Ginger McIntyre, Sid Welch, Deborah Dobrenen

Absent: Marcy Ross

- I. Prayer Sara
- II. Approval of May Minutes Lainey moved to approve minutes, Linda Meade seconded, all voted to approve.
- III. Approval of Agenda Deborah moved to approve, Ginger seconded, all voted to approve.
- IV. Finance Team Report Linda Simmons May income slightly low on pledges and plate but not in trouble, money sufficient for this and next month, gentle reminder to parishioners, AA and Debbie Kohler are the only ones paying rent. See balance sheet.
- V. New Acts (of the Apostles)
 - A. New Hymnals: Move forward on campaign or pause? Discussion happened and we decided to revisit this later in light of Covid.
- VI. Ongoing Acts (of the Apostles)
 - A. Reopening Vote (conditional on bishop's approval of our plan)
 - 1. Discussion: Safety and Values discussion about whether to visit plans that committees are working on or to wait. Sid shared we have too many hurdles to visit this now because of concerns about cleaning, distancing, cases climbing, only 22 are going to safely fit in sanctuary as per his measurements, restrooms, greeter responsibilities, communion questions.... All 3 reopening phases state folks over 60 shouldn't be gathering in groups, which is most of us. In addition, children's need for play area and restroom cannot be met. We will rephrase opening announcement to state that we will meet when we can all safely return.
 - 2. Decision was made to vote after hearing Reopening Teams' reports (see vote below in Section B.3)
 - B. Reopening Planning
 - Buildings & Grounds, Welcome & Worship Team leaders report (see above)

- 2. Coffee hour to have or not to have? N/A at this time
- 3. Outdoor services to have or not to have? Discussion about Sara offering a few services a week outside. Morning prayer services outdoors? Eucharist? Rules for outdoor space 6', masks, restrooms off limits, any meeting will require restroom monitor/cleaner, labyrinth too small. We discussed concerns and decided to wait on outdoor services.

Vote: Motion was made by Raven to meet again as a church when all members can meet safely according to diocese and state guidelines. Ginger seconded and all voted to approve. We will revisit this later and continue with Zoom meetings.

- AA update Sara spoke with AA leader. They are meeting on Zoom but a few have been meeting informally on picnic tables. They will sign our guidelines (see below) and make sure their participants know these.
- C. Rules for people on campus now and until we reopen another discussion ensued about people meeting informally on St. Luke's campus. Vote: A motion was made to set and post these guidelines: If more than three meet, masks need to be worn and 6' distancing practiced, both indoors and outdoors. Ginger motioned, Lainey seconded, and all voted to approve. Sara will put out a newsletter with all this information.

VII. Ministry Team Check-Ins

- A. The Ark Children's & Youth Ministry: Raven Herrington videos have been continuing weekly, free resources expired so it was purchased. Raven and Kristian are considering meeting outdoors.
- B. Buildings & Grounds: Sid Welch Jack will no longer be able to mow and edge. Ritchie's Lawn Service will add this service to their current contract which will bring their price to \$320/month for the months they work.
 Vote: Lainey made a motion to accept this change, Linda Simmons seconded and we voted for it to pass.

Kathleen and Jeff Booren and others have been working hard on the grounds. They look great! Next phase is to trim trees and remove the pine in front of church. Sid got estimates of \$1950, \$3600, and \$2700. Beez Company with the \$1950 is the one he deemed best. Money is available. **Vote: Motion (Linda Simmons), second (Lainey) and vote to approve.**

- C. Outreach & Mission: Deborah Dobrenen, Marcy Ross & Linda Meade Team will reach out to Food for Families, a local food bank for volunteering opportunities. My Father's House is not currently needing help.
- D. Spiritual and Congregational Care: Lainey Johnston team continues to reach out to parishioners. They will also let us know about community resources available from Multnomah and Clackamas Counties.
- E. Welcome: Marcy Ross & Ginger McIntyre see above conversations about reopening, which they have been working hard on.
- F. Worship: Ginger McIntyre see above.
- G. Columbarium: Laurel Hart & Linda Meade A few niche doors are being engraved, a donor will purchase a few benches, two side paths will hold two more units, one more niche sold with a few prospects. Center area for bench can be finished with a few more sales. St. Luke's icon sign will be placed in the area, Terry will build base for it and a contractor will repair framework. Additional gravel will be needed for the easement/road
- VIII. What three things do we want to share with the congregation?
 - 1. Reopen statement
 - 2. Rules around engaging informally
 - 3. Trees
 - IX. Adjourn with Prayer