

Vestry Retreat February 17, 2024

Present: Fr. Jim Shumard, Chris Adams, Ann Inman, Kathleen Johnson, Terry Klinect, Sharlene Randolph, Linda Sanders, Bethany Weisser (Zoom), Bonnie Klinect

The meeting was called to order at 8:40am with Chris leading with a devotion.

Fr. Jim gave voice to the treasurer, Sharlene Randolph, and the recording secretary, Bonnie Klinect.

The retreat began with getting to know one another. Fr. Jim asked each person where they were in birth order and how that affects your life and characteristics.

A discussion was introduced on how we can become Fishers of People, our focus for 2024.

Suggestions included: marketing, engaging people, TV monitor in the narthex and parish hall showing people and upcoming events, parking in the front, take down parking lot signs except handicap, spruce up the parish hall, new signs with service times, forming a Marketing Committee. The Vestry was asked to prioritize and discuss at the March meeting.

Check on Diocesan Fund for improvements and insurance for floor settling.

Immediate Action: add service times to signs

Following the break, the group toured the parish house and met in the lower level of the house to discuss options for the future.

Priest-in-Charge Ramblings.

Fr. Jim asked what we can do to make one Sunday a month special, particularly when he's not there.

When should we come together for one service; baptisms, Easter, Christmas Eve?

Senior Warden Ramblings.

Terry reviewed the VPOD duties.

He suggested Vestry members are only liaisons, not necessarily committee chair. Committees need to turn in a report following their meetings to be sent out to the vestry prior to the monthly vestry meeting.

Kathleen volunteered to be the liaison for Outreach and Pastoral Care.

Linda will chair hospitality, but would like to find a co-chair to help.

BUSINESS MEETING:

Kathleen made a motion for Chris Adams to be Junior Warden. Alan White as Vestry Clerk. Linda seconded. Passed unanimously.

Resolution to approve Parochial Report. Chris made a motion to accept, seconded by Terry. Passed unanimously.