VESTRY MINUTES Grace and St. John's Episcopal Church Tuesday, July 16th, 2024 at 7:07 p.m.

NOTE: The meeting was available on Zoom for those unable to attend in person.

Present: Renee Janes (Senior Warden), Nadia Major-Dodd, Kim Judenis, Linda

Rolstone, Cindy Turner, Raymond Panther & Jessica Kott

Present on Zoom: N/A

Excused Absences: Bob Bergner (Rector), Susan O'Connell (Junior Warden), Linda Simmons

(Treasurer), Kelly Mattox, Kate Aitkenhead, Whitney Batson, Jennifer Campbell

Unexcused Absences-

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm following an opening prayer led by Renee Janes.

Agenda:

The draft agenda was approved. (Linda R, Kim)

Minutes:

Minutes of the June 18th, 2024 meeting were approved (Cindy, Jess)

Treasurer's Report: - Tabled for the next meeting in August

Committee Reports:

Communications Committee:

- A new photo directory is in the works. John will be asked for assistance with photography.
- Comcast will continue service through autopay
- Next meeting is August 7th for the Communications committee.
- A board is available for name tags to be placed at the doors was discussed
- It was mentioned that the attendance sheet needs to be updated

Worship Committee: Tabled for the next meeting

Dinner for a Dollar and the Food Truck:

• It was mentioned that Friday donations have decreased due to persons taking more food than donations and possible solutions were discussed but nothing was agreed to be a solution.

Other Business:

Mural

Artist for the design was narrowed down to be Katiana, who would like to
provide a options based on the ideas presented. An update should occur on
the 29th of July and if approved the 2nd portion of the grant will be posted to
the account.

Sanctuary changes:

 Floors are currently being installed and Sunday services are being held in the Brewster room.

Investment Committee

The agenda was tabled for the next meeting

Missions and Outreach:

- Interfaith festival was discussed. It will be held in New Haven on Sunday August 4th.
- There will be a food drive for Unity & Faith on Sept 28th.

Thrift shop

 Cindy and Allison are in the discovery phase of the project. We will hear more about it at a later date. The next meeting will be on Tuesday September 17, 2024 at the church and on Zoom. The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 pm (Linda R, Raymond)

Acronyms used:

G&SP = Grace & St. Peter's

SJE = St. John the Evangelist Church

CGS = Christ the Good Shepherd

SPOTH = St. Peter's on the Hill

ECCT = Episcopal Church in Connecticut

FTAC = Food Truck Advisory Committee

D4\$ = Dinner for a Dollar

S2P = Swords to Plowshares

TEC = The Episcopal Church in the US