

Church of the Good Shepherd  
Vestry Meeting  
November 17, 2020

The regular meeting of the Vestry of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Nashua, NH was held on November 17, 2020 via Zoom Video Conference. In attendance were, Pastor Mike Greene, Deacon Greg Baker, Curate, Jill Rosier, Sr. Warden, Sandy Desharnais, Jr. Warden, Becky Lentz, Treasurer, Sue Corman, Clerk, Dave Insley, Lisa Macaraeg, Kathy Blair, Marybeth Snow, Maureen LeGallo, Don Yelton, Richard Binder, John Rowntree, John Lewis, and Sinead Macaraeg, Youth Rep. Missing were Paige Schaller, Marcie Byrd, Karen Desjadon.

The meeting opened at approximately 7:05PM with Pastor Mike sharing a prayer.

**COVID-19 Response:** Pastor Mike began by opening up a discussion regarding the current surge and how CGS will react as well as how to handle services and events during Advent. Ideas being discussed and considered are; hold a drive in service, gather greens and decorate the outside of the church, include more recorded music in place of in person singing, have people submit photos or video of gingerbread houses to be included in a show featured on the web site and during services, have two Christmas Eve services, 4PM Children's Service and 8PM Eucharist.

**Consents and Reports:**

Rector's Report was submitted online prior to the meeting.

Curate's Report- was submitted online prior to the meeting.

Deacons Report- was submitted online prior to the meeting.

Committee Reports were submitted online prior to the meeting for Vestry review.

Additional Comments:

- Youth Rep, Sinead Macaraeg reported that the youth will be making "Blessing Bags" as a service project. The bags, which will have some basic personal care items, will be distributed for homeless.
- Sr. Warden, Jill Rosier highlighted that the CGS cookbook is in and being sold now. Other fundraising is on hold during the Stewardship Drive and Advent.
- Treasure report, financials were submitted prior to the meeting for vestry members review, no concerns were raised. Pastor Mike added that the budget is on track due to the grant from the diocese and the Federal payroll protection relief money, as well as parishioners keeping up with offerings. Work on the 2021 budget will soon begin.
- Stewardship, Dave Insley submitted a report highlighting the pledge drive progress. John Rowntree suggested that they use the thermometer again and post it on the web site. About 1/3 of expected pledges have arrived so far.

A motion was made by Don Yelton to accept the reports into record, second by John Rowntree. The reports were accepted unanimously.

**Old Business:** Tech upgrades are waiting for the arrival of cameras, microphones and supporting infrastructure.

**New Business:** Pastor Mike asked for volunteers to work on updating the Parish Constitution and By-Laws, Sandy Desharnais, Don Yelton and Richard Binder will work on the project. Nominations for Vestry are now needed. John Rowntree announce that Jennifer Atherton and Kate Binder will graduate from the EFM program and the new class will begin in January.

The meeting ended at 8:30 PM with a prayer led by Deacon Greg.  
The next Vestry Meeting will be held on December 15, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted by Sue Corman  
Clerk of the Vestry