

Board Chair and Communicator meeting 11/5/25

Present: Mother Betty, Ricky Evans, Kim Bernard, Vicki Garrett, Dave Ham, Rose Dahill, Liz Halbert, Karla Platt, Pam Hayes, Lorraine Beamer

Guest: Dana Richardson

Facilities Board – Dave Ham

- Storage space all over campus is being evaluated. Materials are being sorted to determine what will be kept and what will be donated/discharged around the entire campus. Room 201 will be used as a temporary storage location during this process. The team is getting together to organize and remove materials with each ministry board. The process is starting with the facilities board and then moving to other boards.
- Post Office yard is being cleaned up with removal of benches and other debris. The lobster cooker has been removed and disposed of in accordance with the wishes of the family that donated it.
- Chapel of the Cross spaces are being evaluated to accommodate for the Celtic Service. Ken Hagley (the door guy) is evaluating a solution that will return the front doors to just one lock that can be easily opened to allow quick exit from the building in accordance with fire codes. This will hopefully be complete before resumption of Celtic services
- The Memorial Garden committee is being reconstituted. Looking for additional members who know the history and have a willingness to help preserve it. Additional solutions are needed to accommodate spaces that have been oversold. Maybe using pavers along with gravesite markers.

Outreach Board – Liz Halbert

- Met with Bill Coffin (Finance Chair) to determine monies available from Outreach endowment to be distributed.
- SOIIF – the food bank is in a pinch and would appreciate extra donations.
- Diaper Ministry also have increased need, especially for wipes and creams.
- Brunswick Partnership for Housing (BPH) had a successful “sleep out” and raised over \$62,000 with a poverty simulation as well. Blue Cross/Blue Shield has awarded a \$75,000 grant to BPH.
- L’L Bit of help left for Belize yesterday and will be gone for 2 weeks. Will provide needs when they come back.
- ECW will be voting to determine the monies that will be given to Outreach.
- The Outreach board approved grant requests for \$5775 to Matthew’s Ministry and \$7500 to Brunswick Partnership for Housing.

Parish Life Board – Kim Bernard

- Vicki Garrett is now the Co-Chair for Parish Life
- Calls are being made to remind coffee makers prior to Sunday morning.
- Gather round the table is underway.
- ECW will have their annual meeting and lunch on 12/6. RSVP required; diaper and supplies collection
- ECW Rummage Sale planned for March 9 -14.
- MOAM – 1st annual croquet tournament went well with lots of fun, food and fellowship.
- The annual meeting on December 7th will be followed by a luncheon catered by Wallace food truck
- Reception planned for December 14 after Advent lessons and carols.
- The Bishop candidates visit went very well; many positive comments followed.
- The first draft of the 2026 calendar will be reviewed at the next Parish Life meeting
- January 4 – next first Sunday breakfast.
- Meeting times and dates will remain consistent for 2026.
- New ideas for New comer reception and bags for newcomers are being discussed

Pastoral Care Board – Deacon Pam Hayes

- Materials gathered from the Whole Person Ministry Health fair are available in the Narthex on the book shelf.
- A presentation on Dementia and Dementia Care will be held in the Parish Hall on Feb. 12 from 1-3pm
- Bereavement meetings are going well with another session planned in March.
- Prayer Shawl ministry and FMG continue doing well.
- Cards will be sent to homebound parishioners.
- Terra Bella ministry is going well with about 15 participants each Sunday; 2 parishioners live at Terra Bella
- Spirit Sisters ministry has moved to be part of Spiritual Resources Board.

Spiritual Resources Board – Rose Dahill

- Theology Uncorked resumes today at Tap and Cellar. They will meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday. The group is considering a time change. Topics will be sent to the office for publication.
- The Celtic service will be lay led and held on Saturdays at 5:00 pm in the Chapel of the Cross. There will be 1 Eucharist a month and 1 healing service. Teams are working to organize the schedule, ushers, readers, reflectors and security concerns.
- Petra Peterson is working on the Library and may do a Ministry in Focus to highlight it.

- Spirit Sisters, led by Beckie Armstrong, now fall under the Spiritual Resources Board. New groups may form if the need arises.
- The book club is doing well with about 15 participants.
- Discussion about the formation of a Widow's group (Diane Sloan) and a bible study are underway.

Worship Ministry Board – Ricky Evans

- Christmas Eve services will be at 4:00 and 7:00 (with choir) in the sanctuary and at 10:00 in the Chapel of the Cross.
- Two new youth acolytes are excited and willing to serve.
- Altar Guild Brunch on November 22nd for fellowship and training.
- Plans for a lay led Celtic service are underway.
- Music ministry is going well. The choir will perform Advent Lessons and Carols on 12/14 at 5:00 pm.
- Flower Guild has 2 new members. Wine and Roses (Florist) has been used a couple of times. There will be a ministry in Focus on November 16 with a demonstration after the 10:00 service in the Parish Hall.
- The Chapel of the Cross will not be on the Tour of Homes, so there will be a Eucharist on December 13 at the Celtic Service at 5:00 pm.
- Steve Russell is planning usher training for all ushers, especially those serving at the Celtic Service.

Guest – Dana Richardson

- As the chairmen of the Rector Transition Team, Dana requested that the Groups on Realm, the webpages on the website (actual ministries only) be updated, including leaders for each ministry. A short description of each ministry, with leaders, should be sent to Dana and Lorraine so they can update the website in preparation for the Rector Search.

Communicator – Lorraine Beamer

- Request was made to offer training on Realm to board chairs and other ministry leaders to better utilize the tools available on Realm. More details to follow.

Mother Betty dismissed the meeting.

Respectfully submitted.

Lorraine Beamer