

Worship Board Minutes 8/5/25

Present: Ricky Evans, Chair, Lorraine Beamer, Deacon Pam Hayes, Mary Russell, Steve Russell, Jan Fairley, Janet Wester

Ricky opened the meeting with a prayer.

Worship Board Chair – Ricky Evans

- Bobbie Fuchs has stepped down from Communicator. Lorraine Beamer will fill in.

Altar Guild – Janet Wester

- New green altar linens and vestments are being used and are just beautiful
- The old linens/vestments will be donated.
- Altar guild brunch on Oct. 25 from 9:30 – 11:00. A good time to get together and welcome new members.

Choir- Debbie Skillman

- Weekly rehearsals start on September 3, Choir back in the sanctuary for 10:00 service starting Sept. 7.
- August 17 – Summer music series continues and Debbie will do the Ministry in Focus.
- Debbie will be on vacation the last 2 Sundays in August and has scheduled substitute organists.

Flower Guild – Jan Fairley

- Looking for new members to the flower arranging ministry.
- Tentative workshop date of September 6 to welcome new members; maybe do a MIF soon
- Delivery issues have been worked out.
- Looking for a “plan B” if no arrangers are available.

Scheduler – Lorraine Beamer

- Always looking for new ushers for both 8:00 and 10:00 service.
- Asking for people to respond to availability emails is challenging

Summer Service – Mary Russell

- Attendance around 45- 50 each service, many visitors.
- Scheduling clergy has been challenging with lack of clergy at the main church and a shortage of supply priests available.
- Fr. Gerry Gallagher has been very helpful and supportive
- Plans to replace the hand- held microphone.

Ushers – Steve Russell

- Safety and security team addressed the issue of doors being unlocked from 7:30 – 8:00 am and 9:30 – 10:00 am.
- Working on ways to be more welcoming (opening the door, even if it is unlocked)
- Collection from the Summer service is signed by two people and sealed.
- Programs and passwords for door locking system and thermostats are sought.
- There will be an usher training after the interim is here to include them in the process.
- A fire drill will be scheduled in the coming months.

Clergy – Deacon Pam Hayes

- Whole Person Ministry and Parish Life have scheduled a health fair on September 14 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm in the Parish Hall focusing on the issues of aging. Several outside agencies have been scheduled. The public is invited.
- The Bishop Transition Team will be visiting St. Philip's on October 31. Parish life is involved.

Ricky Evans proposed changing the meeting time to 2:00 pm. He is getting feedback from board members and will notify the board if there is to be a change.

Next Meeting – September 2; Time TBD

Respectfully submitted

Lorraine Beamer