

Outreach

Reminder that the Hunger Walk sponsored by SOIIF will start at St. Philips on Sunday, October 20th at 1:45 PM. They have requested use of our portable sound system which I have cleared with the beach service people (Mary Russell and Phil Dudley). They will utilize our porch for registration. We will encourage greater participation from St. Philips parishioners for this event.

The International Ministry in Belize has been placed on inactive status for 2024 and 2025. Shannon and Craig Allan stepped down as chairs. There was a feeling by the committee that there was not parish support for this ministry. In the future, this ministry may be reactivated or a different location for international ministry may be defined.

The Outreach Board voted to grant \$2000 to Brunswick Partnership for Housing to partially fund their request (\$6000) for a poverty simulator toolkit, leadership training and travel to the training site. They also voted to grant \$5000 to Lil Bit of Help to finish and augment ongoing projects that the St. Philips parishioners started last year. Lil Bit of Help is considered a 501©3 charity we are funding – not a ministry of St. Philips.

Day4Hope is still looking for additional volunteers on the day of the event. Links to SignUp Genius were published in the e-news. They also are requesting school supplies and backpacks – also link to their Amazon Wish List was published. Reminder – event is Saturday, August 10 from 10am – 4pm at the Moose Lodge in Oak Island.

I plan on updating the web page to indicate what ministries are St. Philips ministries and which organizations are just supported by St. Philips. For example, Brunswick Partnership for Housing and Lil Bit of Help fall in the latter category. Docent ministry, CIS tutoring, diaper ministry fall in the former.

Parish Life Board Meeting Minutes July 11, 2024

Attendees: Kim Bernard, Mike Bearden, Dorothy Haviland, Rick Bonifant, Martie Hutto, Jane Mitchell, Barbara Kanto.

Kim prayed the opening prayer.

Ministry Updates:

Gather Round the Table: Barbara Kanto

Barbara reported that she had taken the signup form to Lorraine to get it printed. Barbara said she added to the bottom of the form a question as to whether the person signing up went to 8:00 service or 10:00 service. August 4 is the first Sunday that forms will be available in both foyers. She said printing of about 100 forms will be charged to Parish Life Budget.

ECW: Dorothy Haviland and Jane Mitchell

Dorothy reported that Pat Bittenbender is chairing the Fall Festival. Kim Happer has had to resign due to illness. Dorothy also said that Judie Ratcliffe was looking into another possible fundraiser of doing a mahjong tournament. There had been one in Oak Island and she is getting details of what was done. Jane reported that ECW Lunch Bunch for July is at Oliver's on Tuesday, July 23 at 11:00 AM and Mother Lisa is the Guest of Honor. Jane also reported that the craft workshop for Fall Festival will be Friday, July 26 from 10:30 to 2:30 and that a notice is in the bulletin insert asking

for those who are making things at home to let Pat Bittenbender know what they are making and to turn them in by September 27.

Men On A Mission: Rick Bonifant

Rick reported that their meetings are the fourth Thursday of each month and the next one is in the Parish Hall. He also reported that the men sold hot dogs during the 4th of July parade and sold 350 hot dogs and netted \$800 dollars. They were to be open from 9 to 1 but sold out early so stopped at 12. They had water bottles with St. Philip's labels on them. The men are planning for a chili cookoff in October. Clark Sizemore will be taking Rick's place on the Men On A Mission Board and will be replacing him on the Parish Board.

Breakfast Club: Mike Bearden

Mike reported that the July Breakfast had a good turnout. They are breaking even for expenses with donations for breakfast. Mike will be gone in August and September so no Breakfast Club in August and also no Breakfast Club in September.

Hospitality: Martie Hutto, Judie Ratcliffe

The next Music Series Concert will be August 11. Martie and Judie to host the reception following the Concert. Kim Bernard said she would also help hosting. There is plenty of lemonade in refrigerator. Martie will get more pub mix and Kim suggested skinny popcorn as well.

Suspension of lemonade and cookies for the remainder of the summer has been decided.

Homecoming is September 8. Service is usually at 9:00 and meal afterwards. There is \$2000.00 in the budget. It was decided that Brunch items would be the menu and there will be a sign up sheet for breakfast casseroles, fruit/salad, breakfast breads to be brought by parish members.

There will be coffee hours after 8:00 service and 10:00 service on Sunday, July 28 honoring Mother Lisa. Menu will be some chicken salad croissants, breakfast breads, and breakfast cookies. Martie is to get balloons and ask flower guild for some flowers for the food tables. Martie is to ask parishoners to make breakfast breads like zucchini, banana nut, date nut, etc.

Renewal of Coffee hour will begin on September 15 when a Ministry Fair will take place in the Parish Hall. A sign up calendar will go in the narthex beginning in August.

A Newcomers Reception is scheduled for October 13 at 3:00 PM. Wine and small appetizers will be served.

Mike Bearden discussed the progress in the discussion of the kitchen commercial dishwasher. Bids are being gathered.

The Back to School Celebration has been cancelled.

The Quarterly Kitchen Cleaning has been scheduled for August 31 from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM.

2025 Budget Planning takes place in August. Kim asked for any suggestions. Jane suggested that the Budget for coffee hours be increased as more prepared foods are needed since we have so few people bringing baked items and coffee has increased in price as has half and half, etc.

There will be no first Sunday Breakfast in August, and September as Mike is out of town, and October because of Fall Festival and December because of Annual Meeting.

The next Parish Life Board Meeting will be Wednesday, August 7 at 4:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Note change from first Thursday to first Wednesday.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jane Mitchell, Acting Secretary

F&F Info for Board Chair/Communicator meeting:

Note for all - Please pay attention to the budget info sent directly from Bob. As much detail and as early as you can submit will be helpful.

Replacement/Upgrade of the Kitchen Dishwasher and adding an additional Refrigerator subcommittee plans to have board approval for the purchase/install at our meeting next week as they now are finalizing price etc. Subcommittee for this has been advised that we will vote by email if needed to expedite the process.

Lightning Strike Update as of 08-05-2024:

- 1) The Moore St. Narthex AC unit has been repaired.
- 2) Repairs are complete to the Fire Alarm Monitoring System in the Chapel Annex, the Main Church and Office building. Main Church and Office Building were functioning earlier but some of the horns and strobe lights were recently repaired.
- 3) The outdoor sign light in the front of the church had also been damaged. It was replaced by Ross Lively.
- 4) The system we use for service recording has been repaired.

Remaining Work:

- 1) Repairs to 2 remaining magnetic door locks to the main church (Bell Tower door and Moore St. door) - scheduled this week.
- 2) Elevator's 2 additional circuit boards needed to get our elevator working are being installed this week.
- 3) Once the elevator is working, Johnson Controls will need to come back and test the fire alarm system which includes alarms located in the elevator pit.
- 4) Estimate expected this week from Montgomery Consulting for steeple and cross work.

All the repair work for this week may be impacted by weather

As for the Live-Stream and recording group - they do not have a home. I have asked VEC a couple of times what their home is - mainly for budget owner reasons and no decision was made. There is some thought that it should go with where ever Communications is housed and some thought that it should go with the Worship Board. Personally, I don't see them as belonging in F&F.