



St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Outreach Ministry Meeting – Thursday, July 6, 2023

Meeting Minutes

Present:

Carole Davis (Zoom), Mike Farver, Norene Leatzow, Barbara Mannor, Lanie Nix, Edythe Peake, David Taylor

The meeting was convened at 6:40 pm by Barbara Mannor, on behalf of the committee chair, Karen Schaefer.

Items Covered:

- The *opening prayer* was led by Barbara Mannor
- The *Minutes of the June 1, 2023* meeting were reviewed. There were no corrections. Edythe Peake motioned, and Norene Leatzow seconded to approve the Minutes. This passed.
- *Summer Camp at Camp Chick* -
The total amount that was previously budgeted by the Outreach Committee for Camp Chick scholarships was \$1,000. However, to date, individual donations by members of the congregation have already reached \$950. On the night of the meeting, an additional personal donation was made in the amount of \$50 by a member of the Outreach Committee. The total is now \$1,000. It was decided to NOT make the \$1,000 remittance from Outreach funds for camp scholarships, and to instead set aside this amount for needs that are identified later in the year by Crossover Outreach. Edythe Peake motioned to set the funds aside as discussed, and to earmark them for Crossover Outreach. David Taylor seconded, and this motion passed.

It was noted that the expense for participant transportation to and from the camp was covered by the Outreach Committee.

- Follow-up on St. Paul's *Spring Clean-up on June 10th* - Edythe Peake reported that there were 13 individuals at the clean-up, including several from the Outreach Committee. Volunteers were Mary Hammond, Barbara Mannor, Carole Davis, Karen Schaefer (Photographer), Tim Grant, Mike Farver, Lanie Nix, Bill Johnson, Deb Nelson, Edie Peake, Walt Peake, Jane Bingham, and Becky Bennett. There was an article and pictures in the July Epistle describing the work that was done, and the plans going forward.

- *Discussion - Cage sponsorship to support the Humane Society of Genesee County.* Although the Outreach Committee sponsored a pet cage in 2022 to honor parishioners Dr. John and Mrs. Mary Snell, it was decided to discontinue this sponsorship in 2023. David Taylor motioned that no funds be earmarked for the 2023 cage sponsorship, but that we should demonstrate continued support for the Humane Society on Pet Blessing Sunday through an invitation, and through donations of individual pet care items on the part of parishioners. Edythe Peake seconded. This motion passed.
- *Family Promise* - Barbara Mannor gave an update on the transition of Family Promise day programming into available space at St. Paul's. This is scheduled to happen on August 1st. Prior to this, a washer and dryer are scheduled for delivery on July 19th. Barb has been taking the lead on organizing the rooms that Family Promise will occupy, with the remaining work concentrated in the old Sunday school room.
- An *Ice Cream Social* is scheduled for July 16th, sponsored by the Diversity Ministry. Each of the other ministries of St. Paul's is asked to contribute food items. Karen Schaefer made the sign-up sheet available, and each member was asked to bring items to the social, in support of the Diversity Ministry. It is anticipated that there will be approximately 50 attendees.
- *Back to the Bricks* is on August 19, being coordinated by Velecia Roberts Ford. Volunteers will be needed for this. More details to come.
- New Business – *College Ministry* – Barb Mannor reported that Father Tom is looking at a College Ministry. The Outreach Committee was very supportive of this initiative. It is fully endorsed by the Episcopal Diocese also, and there may be resources available to assist St. Paul's in taking this on. Norene Leatzow motioned, and David Taylor seconded to ask Karen Schaefer to take the lead in working with Father Tom to express support and to engage the Outreach Ministry in working on this.
- New Business – *A 150th Anniversary Parish Reunion* is in the planning stages by the Stewardship Ministry, scheduled for Sunday, August 27th. The day will include a regular Mass at 10:00 AM, a reception at 11:30 AM, and a Garden Service at 2:00 PM. It is hoped that the Outreach Committee will help with the community reception, similar to the 'Afternoon Tea' that was organized at the Sloan. It will be on a much easier scale than the Tea, and the costs will be covered by funds from the 150th Anniversary Committee. Walt Peake will provide details.
- *Closing Prayer and Adjournment*

Respectfully submitted, Edythe Peake