

**Present:** Rev'd Beth Hewson, Irv Dyck, Barbara Kitzul, Peggy Morrison, Linda O'Neill, Ginette Boucher, Dawn Clarke and Barbara Johnson

Regrets: Lynda Hughes Molly Cleator, Guest: Barbara Hogan

Opened with Prayer. Welcome Barbara Hogan to PAC.

Minutes from March 14, 2024 distributed and read.

***Motion to accept as presented by Peggy Morrison and seconded by Irv Dyck. Carried.***

**Discussion** of March 14/ 2024 minutes.

1. Hot Dog cart, coffee maker and freezer sold for under \$2450.00
2. Thanks and gratitude to Molly and team for the installation of the Communication Board. It is very useful .
3. Police checks have been submitted, now waiting for the documentation.
4. Dinner Auction: The Callander Legion has been booked. Date is Saturday October 19/ 2024.
5. Yard Sale in June

**New Business**

1. Finances Financial Report (Profit and Loss Standard) for January through March 2024 circulated. Generally the finances are *slowly* moving in the right direction. It was noted where there were increases on the Income side of report as well as decreases. Noted that envelope offerings are down about 4,000. in this quarter. Question whether Molly could shed some insight on why there is a decrease?

***Motion: Irv moved to accept the Financials as presented. Seconded by Ginette Boucher . Carried***

***Motion: Peggy moved to send check for \$2000. to Camp Temiskaming by end of April 2024. Seconded by Dawn Clarke Carried.***

2. **Ministry Activity for 2024.** Rev. Beth presented a draft form of a chart of the existing ministries and new initiatives. With the interim incumbent working 15 hours per week whose primary focus is worship, sacramental services, some administrative duties and pastoral visiting as needed, what is the best way to facilitate existing and future initiatives? How might parishioners be encouraged to identify and use their spiritual gifts? There seemed to be agreement to do existing and new initiatives *well* while being cognizant of peoples' capacity and ability to participate in ministry activities.

The existing ministries with designated "point people" and comments - a work in progress- are as follows:

### **Outreach ministries-**

Open Arms Peggy Morrison

Food Bank - Lynda Hughes - Many requests for vegetarian options

Hair Salon - Shawna Lafreniere: - Temporarily on hold until further notice - Linda O'Neill to follow up with Shawna

### **Worship Ministries**

Scheduling of

Layreaders - Val McCauley

Lectors - Bruce Ward

Slidespeople -John O'Neill - question of blue binder- its placement and how to record information on new people.

Chancel - Lynda Hughes

Choir-Joanne Alkins

### **Fundraising**

Mens' Group Irv Dyck Pancake Supper, Spaghetti Supper, Ham and Scallop Dinner

Spring Tea- Lynda Hughes

Fall Bazaar - ????

Garage Sale-?????

Seasonal Letters - Incumbent

Dinner Auction -Dawn Clarke

### **Hospitality**

Coffee Hour??? Not sure who is the point person however, it would be useful having others involved.

Funeral Receptions - Barbara Johnson Will put up sign up sheet for those willing to provide some food items for funerals.

**Web Page** Dawn Clark with Annie Loder

It was agreed that we are doing well in current ministries. Moving forward pastoral care and spiritual formation for young people are crucial ministries to address.

**Pastoral Care** - Dawn Clarke. In the past, pastoral care involved home communion and visiting people in different locations. Currently what can be offered is to telephone people who are not able to attend church. Dawn to organize a team of “phoners” and determine the guidelines for the ministry.. Barbara Hogan, Ginette Boucher and Barbara Kiizul indicated interest. Jean Parks from the congregation was suggested as a possible person who may be interested.

**Spiritual Formation for Young People:** Val McCauley has indicated interest in helping with this ministry. Rev. Beth will help get it going.

Many good questions and helpful information shared about ministries.

Some confusion about the role of ACW at St. John’s.

3..**Diocesan Updates:** To sign up for and receive the latest updates from the Diocese, go to the Diocese of Algoma web page (<https://www.dioceseofalgoma.com>) , click on Home ( top left hand part of page) and scroll to the bottom of the page and on the right hand corner of page sign up for “Don’t Miss an Update”

4..**Mark your calendar:** Archbishop Anne is coming to visit - Thursday May 16<sup>th</sup> . There will be a Town Hall meeting to discuss the future of worship in the deanery. Location: Christ Church.

5. Next two meeting dates

**Thursday May 9<sup>th</sup> 2024 at 10:00am.**

**Thursday June 13<sup>th</sup> 2024 at 10:00am**