

## **BAC Minutes 11/15/23**

### **Prince of Peace Episcopal Church**

Notetaker: Nick Fortey

Attendees: Mary Knutsen, Ann McBride, Nick Fortey, Mary Macy, Barb Barb, Sue Rembert, and Nancy Mortensen

Nancy opened the meeting with a prayer.

#### **Engagement with diocese:**

Mary Macy noted engaging the Bishop is proving difficult and she is searching for a way to make more direct connection via email.

#### **Rental options:**

Sue went to Temple Beth Shalom on Monday to look at the social hall (the social space is different from the worship space at the Temple). Office space is located downstairs and about 1/3 size of our current shared space (a little smaller than office space at St. Paul's). If Temple is selected, we would still need to worship in afternoon – could use kitchen (no meat is allowed) and social hall.

Nancy related information gathered from St. Paul's; not using kitchen, just Chapel and Room 205; would not be using chapel for 4 hours but rather 2 or 2.5 hours equating to a cost of \$772

#### **Moving:**

Mary Macy wondered if, given work to pack up and move, we might not move at end of December and, in that case, if we could rent Room 205 at St. Paul's for a month to aid in our move. Mary also noted we need to decide about storage, develop an inventory, and code our supplies so as to make the process smooth and easy to retrieve wherever we end up.

Ann volunteered to go through the music in the file cabinet and office; some of Gather books have been taken; however we have plenty. Ann volunteered to look at hard bound music book stationed by piano (Ann will ask Aysa what she is using; if needed we will keep, if not we will donate).

Mary Knutsen talked to Sally at St. Thomas and let Sally know of our moving woes – St. Thomas understands and will continue to work with us.

Per Mary Knutsen, Neil at St. Thomas asked about zoom cart – we could let them use it or let them borrow it.

Godly Plan material has all been packed, inventoried and ensconced in plastic totes.

Need to follow-up with Steve Ellis about audio-video equipment connections and how to remove and reassemble. Nancy will call Steve Ellis for assistance on dismantling audio-video equipment.

**Voting on relocation options:**

Various concerns expressed over potential locations. These included the size and range of programs at St. Paul's creates an atmosphere that may overwhelm our small congregation, limitations on schedules with an afternoon worship schedule, and insufficient evaluations of ways to reduce the impact of distance to St. Thomas such as through carpooling,

Voting results: 3 votes for St. Paul's chapel, 2 for St. Thomas, and 2 for Temple Beth Shalom.

As for congregational gathering places, Sue noted that Arrowhead community center can be used and Mary Knutsen noted her park also has a community center.

Nancy to send out a congregation-wide email to set up (after vetting with St. Paul's and Temple Beth Shalom) meeting for Saturday afternoon at St. Paul's Chapel and then to Temple Beth Shalom so congregation can see locations in person.

**Stewardship:**

Sue noted need to continue staying in touch with congregation and keeping track of stewardship. Will send out letter that links stewardship to caring and will include a pledge form with envelope on Sunday.

**Congregation/Minutes/Building:**

Pedro will be out next week and all December – this will serve as a good time to pause zoom and re-think.

Need to post meeting minutes.

Found office door open and lights on last week – need to secure facility; heat also not tuned down. Also concern with personal security as last Tuesday someone was walking around outside and made folks in office (Lynnette and Kathy) concerned.

Property meeting tomorrow at 3 pm to discuss options for development.

Discussed moving schedule and responsibilities for various supplies and equipment (conclusion – all covered).

Nancy ended the meeting with a closing prayer.