

Pastoral Care Ministry Team Meeting

October 8, 2018

Attending: Judy Surak, Suz Cate, Barbara Armstrong, Kathy Hunter, Pam Mack, Lynn Luszczyk and Liz Halpin. Meeting was called to order by Judy Surak, Chair, at 4:01pm. We opened with a reading from Judy about St. Frances and then we read in unison the Prayer of St. Frances. Approval of minutes from the September 2018 meeting followed.

Visitation: Barbara took Communion to a parishioner and another would also like Communion. Last month, Suz had 13.5 hours of face time with parishioners in various settings. Took Communion to three parishioners, one who needs monthly Eucharistic visits. Made visits to hospitals, The Willows and Clemson Downs. Over the past few weeks, Suz has done some one-to-one counseling, spending about 1.5 to 2 hours/week for this.

Transportation: per Shannon Quattlebaum, it's going well. We have insurance but should have copies of drivers' driver licenses. Shannon will gather copies to follow best practices and show due diligence.

Health Ministry:

1. "Solo Women" group has met once and will continue twice per month meetings. Working on how they can feel more comfortable when attending group and social activities. This group is evolving. Pam will get more copies of the brochure for local food offerings.
2. Judy contacted Christopher about setting up The Teepa Snow (a leader in dementia care and education) DVD series during Sunday School; he has earmarked the last two Sundays in January for this purpose. At the end of November, we will put some teasers on Facebook, in weekly bulletins and the Tempo, bathroom door stalls and on the breakfast tables, beginning to help educate parishioners on cognitive decline issues.

The "Pastoral Care Resource Center" is up and running. Judy is working with Tommye Hurst about getting a bulletin board up so we can post articles and other information for parishioners

Kathy gave a short report from the September 2018 Vestry Meeting. We talked about the Nominations for church positions coming open and discussion followed about potential parishioners who might be interested in running.

Neighborhood Groups: Barbara's Neighborhood Group #2 met at the Snowdens. Looking in to her group meeting at Clemson Downs or at the new fire station, for easier access for all. Mother Suz and Shannon Quattlebaum came. Lynn Luszczyk's Group #1 is meeting this Saturday, 10/13/18. Hap Wheeler's is meeting Sunday night, 10/14/18, and Pam Mack's (Old Stone Church) is this Friday night, 10/12/18. Tom Witmer recommends no separate Clemson Downs neighborhood group at this time.

Suz discussed St. John's Good Samaritan Fund that would be used for parishioners who need emergency assistance. Different than the rector's discretionary fund, as this fund is only for parishioners. She would like to discuss this Good Samaritan Fund with the Finance Team and the Vestry before further discussion with the Pastoral Care Ministry Team.

Also, Suz working on getting the prayer list printed in the bulletin. Please ask for permission for printing a name, if possible.

Judy reviewed the safety issue of running in the Parish Hall and is working with Sarah Maiberger, the Family Ministry Team Leader, to improve safety in the Parish Hall.

Meeting adjourned at 5:17pm. Next Meeting: Monday, November 12, 2018, 4pm

**minutes respectfully submitted by Kathy Hunter, October 8, 2018*