

Service and Outreach Commission Minutes September 6, 2023

Began with all commissions meeting

Review of commission structure

Calendar for the year is done – they will be in the bulletin

Commission Sunday is October 15th after both services – ***SOC should bring salads***

October 1 only one service at 10:15 **no 8am service** (there will still be a 4pm pet blessing later that day)

Need a person to do e-Tidings and Wednesday Word

Bob Speelman – rector search – will be connecting with Father Todd to see what needs to be done, trying to get supply clergy but both supply clergy and interims are few and far between – there is a timeline from the diocese

October 15 Reverend Wright will be here

- **Parish Life** – they need help, September 29 reception after 7pm service and Father Todd's reception will be October 1 after 10:15 service (may need food that day), German Dinner Fundraiser – October 6 – to go to Brooke's House – tickets are on sale and available electronically (21 tickets sold)
- **Stewardship** – preparation and finalizing of pledge packets and Time and Talent Card
- **Fabric and Grounds** – no big projects, roofing over the Sunday School area only has another couple years, new water hydrant on the cemetery, painted Trimble Hall, one more pipe to replace for the steam heating
- **Christian Formation** – need help with the nurse and children's chapel, as well as youth group
- **Welcoming** – new camera for virtual service, looking at putting Wednesday Word on Lou Scally, PorchFest is on the 23rd from 11-5 – need greeters, docents, musicians, and snacks, planning for newcomer activity in November

Service and Outreach Commission Updates:

Backpacks for Bester and CIRCLES group had a wonderful response, will soon have a drive for more quality paper towels

Bookdrive going well, ends September 10

Diaper Bank up and running, big thank you to Fabric and Grounds for their help,

REACH Week – February 4-11

September 16 – Block Party – need more volunteers but have a great start to be part of the clothes giveaway (already have 20 13-gallon bags)

There is fabric for the Afghan community which was donated to our church, also includes knickknacks – bring to Refugee Welcome Network

Need to set up a meeting to move forward with CASA

Pantry on the Go is this Saturday

Potomac Towers lunch went well in September – Thank you Cathy and Frank!