**Vestry Minutes**

**April 22, 2020**

**Present:** Joyce Reynolds, Denise Cabana, Cheryl Turner, Jeannette Brown, Jeff Brown,

Lisa Gleason, Bea Farlekas, Becky Lee, Sam Hoyt, Mitch Chester, Rich Connell, Bob Dugger

**Absent:**

Opening Prayer: 7:00 PM

**2 Corinthians 4:1-12**

**Checking In (10 min)**

Checking in with each Vestry member during the pandemic

Denise reported on her weekly meeting with the Bishops. Churches will be closed until May 20, 2020 and possibly beyond.

**Information**

**Discussion**

* Vestry Minutes from March unanimously accepted with corrections.
* Treasure’s Report

**Income** – Drop in pledges February and March from our budgeted amount.

April looks good and has surpassed last April 2019. Easter budget will be lower

as a result of Covid-19.

Joining Jesus Payment - St James received a check for $132, 685 (now total $179,000).

**Expenses** – March purchased two new lap-top computers for Denise and Jim. These new computers were in the budget but all are grateful because the new technology has permitted Denise and Jim to lead our ZOOM Church Services and morning prayers.

The treasure’s report was unanimously approved as presented.

* Application for Connecticut small business loan “Paycheck Protection Program” during Covid-19 Bob reviewed criteria required could mean approximately $28,000 with a possibility of having the loan come back as a grant. Application would require Vestry approval. The Dioceses has encouraged each parish to apply for the loan. A motion was made to approve Denise and Bob move forward with the application to the program in the amount of $20,000-$30,000. The motion was unanimously approved.
* Weekly requested phone calls to parishioners continuing and reporting back to Denise.
* Daily Morning Prayer continuing with approximately 35 people in attendance via Facebook and Zoom. Sunday Services continue with Zoom and Facebook average 60-70 people. 92 persons for Easter Sunday.

* Carol’s Closet was a success Saturday April 18, 2020 practicing safe distancing.

70 bags were distributed. We recognize and appreciate those who continue to make Carol’s Closet happen!

* How will we celebrate our first session back together; Picnic? Dinner together?

Closing Prayer – Mitch

Adjourned 8:55 PM