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In attendance: Lillis Ward, Dave McKinnon, Rev. Grey Maggiano, David Dykes, Sam Wesonga, Emily Jividen, Susan Kelley, Hannah Harris, Yvette Smith

**7:00-7:40 Call to Order/Bible Study-Rev. Grey Maggiano**

Feast of Ninian, Acts 10:21-35

**7:40-7:40 Approval of August Minutes**

Emily Jividen moved to approve, Lillis Ward seconded. Unanimous approval.

**7:41-7:49 Quick Recap of Ministry Fair with suggestions from participants-Sarah**

- [Report](#)
- Question about the funding, funding came out of the hospitality budget.
- Discussion about the event and large attendance numbers. Consensus that the crowd was a “good problem to have”; lots of good feedback from the congregation and community.

**7:50-8:10pm Discuss need for new phone system and Owl system for Conference Room-Dave Mc.**

- Owl System
  - Details include: Cost \$1100 for the device (no subscription model); wifi should be sufficient for hosting calls.
  - Discussion about the benefits vs the costs, Opportunities for usage: Vestry Meetings, EfM, Formation classes
  - Discussion about utilizing money from the sound system fund,
  - Dave McKinnon proposes the motion to use left over money from the sound system account to purchase the system. Seconded by Susan Kelly. Approved unanimously by the Vestry.
- Phone System:
  - Our current phone system is outdated. We have two options: AT&T provides VoIP for a cost; We purchase equipment and self manage.
  - Discussion about the benefits vs the costs
  - Vestry requests for a full cost breakdown of current IT
  - Question that may determine our selection: Do we need to maintain a phone line for emergency services to contact us?
  - Vestry decided to table the second proposal for further discussion

**8:10-8:20 Vestry recommendations brought forward and discussion**

- As a reminder: We’ll need to recruit 4 individuals for the full 3-year term and 1 replacement for Morghan’s 2 remaining years in her term.

- Discussion about potential recruits, including the ability to be remote if we have the OWL system.
- Need commitments (& recommendations) for the **Annual Meeting on Nov 16**.
- Put out a direct ask to the congregation (Dave and Grey will collab)

### **8:20-8:26pm Financial Report-Bill Sena**

Dave McKinnon gave a brief overview. No outstanding concerns.

### **8:20- 8:40pm Committee Reports-Vestry Liaisons**

Grey is seeking leaders for Social & Outreach and Creation Care. Considering co-chairs to distribute the workload.

- A. Outreach/ Social Justice: Lillis
  1. Rise against hunger was held this past sunday and very successful. Beth Crow and Lillis are working on Day of Giving.
- B. Formation: Grey
  1. Youth and Adult are both going well. Less high school involvement than usual, but hoping it picks up.
  2. Confirmation by the Bishop will happen in the spring.
- C. Worship: Sarah (report on drive)
- D. Member Care: Lillis
  1. The Vestry will be receiving an invitation for a zoom call with Ken Kroohs to discuss ambassadors for newcomers, Monday, Sept 22 at 7pm
- E. Building and Grounds: Dave Mc.
  1. First Korean Baptist church has gotten their building permits and construction will start soon. Dave has a meeting with them this coming week (Sept 26) to discuss implications for the Church of Nativity.
  2. HVAC units in Curry hall needed freon; some windows might need to be replaced.
  3. Work day is Sept 27; Long list of projects; breakfast and lunch will be provided.
- F. Communication: Sam
  1. Meetings are moving to a quarterly rotation.
  2. Question about the branding guidelines - feedback has been given to the company and we are waiting on the updates.
- G. Stewardship: Emily
  1. Robin will start recruiting speakers for the stewardship campaign. She is looking specifically for 8:30 connections.
- H. Processes and Documentation: Hannah/Susan
  1. Grey will review with staff next week.
- I. 40th Anniversary Committee: Robert
  1. The next video will come out next week, it will be focused on outreach. The group will start transitioning for the actual event.
  2. Bishop Curry will be with us on Saturday, January 31 & Sunday, Feb 1

### **8:20-8:58 Rector's Report-Rev. Grey Maggiano**

The year has started off great with the homecoming event, would have loved to see more volunteer sign ups for service related roles (readers, etc). Excited to see the evolution and upward trend of new attendees becoming regular attendees and givers. Grey is excited that we were able to solidify the Bishop's visit for the Spring moving forward. Excited to have Kate (intern) be part of our church! Had a good vacation in Mexico City.

Justice Theatre Project is going to be using the Parish Hall for 6 weekends throughout the year (productions on Saturday and Sundays). Productions are all social justice oriented. They will be doing their walk-through to use the space, and there was a question about whether they are allowed to sell alcohol on our premises. Production season will start in the Spring and go through the Fall. This will be a theatre in the round style, with productions happening in Corlett Hall.

One year retro (impromptu): Nativity feels comfortable and stable and it is nice to be in a stable church (our buildings are functional, our budget is good, etc). Grateful for how self-sufficient the committees run, because it frees up Grey's time to focus more on pastoral care of our community. Family transition has gone well.

### **8:58-9:02 Jr. Warden's Report-Dave McKinnon**

- Has received feedback that the bathrooms are not welcoming.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:03pm.

**The October meeting will be held on October 21, 2025**