

Quarterly meeting of the Southern Mission District was called to order at 10:10 a.m. on February 18, 2017 by Co-Convener, Kathy Kesner.

The Opening Prayer was offered by Rev. Shirley Putz. All members seated at the tables introduced themselves and announced what church they were representing.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved on a motion by Lew Beasimer, seconded by Valerie Jean Hartlage.

Patricia Holbrook Seay gave the Galilee report. They are doing some revamping at the camp and will be redoing the cabins. This is a capital campaign and they are taking donations for the project. The Tahoe, Douglas Fire Dept. is now responding to the camp, however, the price of their service will go up next year. Patricia will be on the Board for the next three years.

United Thank Offering – Barbara Schafer reported that applications are being accepted for grants. They must be in before 5 p.m. EST on March 5th. Go on the web site to get all the information. She had the UTO box with a trash bag attached and read some information attached to the box. The 2018 booklet is being prepared and she would like everyone to submit their favorite prayer to be published in the book. Send your prayers to BSchafer12 @cox.net.

Barbara also reported on Episcopal Women of Nevada. They will be meeting on the Thursday before convention at 2 p.m. The EWN will be hosting a tea at All Saints in the Spring. It will be a Mad Hatters Tea on May 13 and is to raise money to send delegates to Austin for the Convention. There will be 8 people at a table and please reserve a table for your group. Cost is \$20.00 per person and you can decorate your table any way you wish.

Nevadans for the Common Good – Pat Seay was standing in for Bonnie. Meals on Wheels is coming before the Legislature on March 8th. Most are taking the Southwest flight that leaves at 6:45 a.m. and returns home that evening. There is also a meeting on March 10th at the Grant Sawyer Building. They are asking for Five Million Dollars for funding Meals on Wheels.

SMD events/dates: Rev. Pam Radke spoke about the Emergency in Elko. They are in need of bedding. They would prefer money donations to be sent to Bishop's office and they will forward a check to Elko. Motion by Rev. Carolyn seconded by Barbara we take up a collection today for Elko. Pam reported that \$235.00 was donated. She thanked everyone for helping.

The SMD picnic is scheduled at Gazebo Park for April 29, 2017 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Gazebo Park is behind City Hall but we can park over here.

Father Vaughn stated that Christ Church was having a concert in the courtyard from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on the same day as the picnic.

The money raised at the concert will be for the Epicenter.

Motion by Valerie Hartlage, seconded by Carolyn Shannon and Lew Beasimer we hold the picnic on the 29th and then go to the concert.

Parish Events: Christ Church is having an organ recital on March 3 at 7:30 p.m. The last Friday in October will be a Bach Concert. October 21 is the Lobster Fair. The next SMD meeting is May 20th at Christ Church and their Spring Festival is the same day from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Gaye Lagana spoke about Education for Ministry. On March 25th the Bishop will be speaking about EFM from 9a.m. till noon. June 8th to 10 at Grace in the Desert will be a program concerning mentors for EFM.

Cost for food is \$50.

Epiphany: There will be an ordination at 2 p.m. today.

February 28th is their Pancake Supper. March 18th is a workshop with Canon Catherine and May 13th to 21st is Family Promise.

St. Timothy's= At 2:30 today there will be a black experience mass commending Absalom Jones the first African American Priest.

Friends in the Desert need volunteers if anyone is interested.

All Saints: February 24 is the Banquet of Love at 6:30 p.m Cost \$10.00 and if you wish to purchase a bottle of wine, that is\$15.00.

February 28 is the pancake supper at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$5.00 per person or \$15.00 for a family of 4 plus.

May 20th 6:30 to 9p.m. is the Alls Fair. Cost \$5.00

St. Christophers: February 28 is Mardi Gras with a New Orleans meal.

Ashes will be distributed at the Starbucks in Boulder City on Ash Wednesday.

Christ Church will distribute Ashes on the Strip that day.

St. Matthews/San Mateo: Pancake supper will be February 28.

Lenten project is Guide Dogs. Rev. Carolyn explained that this was out of New York. We will have a poster on the wall and \$15.00 has been donated a picture of a dog will put on the poster. Carol Shaffer suggested we show the movie "Buddy".

There will be solar training at the African American Church on Revere Street on February 24th from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and February 25th from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Holy Spirit: Pancakes on February 28th from 4:30 to 6:30.

March 9th will be a chat with Rev. Lionel at 6 p.m. on the purpose of Lent.

March 16 is the start of Stations of the Cross at 6 p.m. followed by a homemade soup supper. On Maundy Thursday April 13 they will wash your feet. The all night visual is April 14th from 8 p.m. to 7 a.m.

Good Friday service is at 7 a.m. Easter Sunday service is at 6 a.m. at the river bank. At 9:30 a.m. there will be an egg hunt.

New Business: Dennis Kesner reported that since we seldom use the checking account it is going to be closed after the picnic. Motion by Lew Beasimer seconded by Carol Shaffer that the money left in the checking account be donated to the Elko Fund.

Lew made a suggestion that we donate 2 or 3 dollars to the host church to pay for the food they serve us. Motion by Rev. Carolyn seconded by Lew we start charging at the meeting following the one being held at Christ Church. The amount to be decided at the next meeting.

There being no further business, Rev. Shirley Putz offered the closing prayer and meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

Thelma L. Northrup, Secretary

ATTENDANCE:

ST. CHRISTOPHERS

Sandra Christianson

Shirley Putz

Donna Raney

ALL SAINTS

Jean Ward-Estes

ST. TIMOTHY'S

Michele Turner

Louisa Amstrutz

Jim Amstrutz

Patty Jacobson

Jim Tilman

CHRIST CHURCH

Dennis Kesner

Kathy Kesner

Lorell Guydon

Gerry Jones

Hank Hope

Kathleen DeVleming

Sully Tilley

Steven Lagana

Rev. Gaye Lagana

Rev. Barry Vaughn

GRACE IN THE DESERT

Barbara Schafer

Patricia Holbrook Seay

HOLY SPIRIT

Lew Beasimer

EPIPHANY

Sandra Miller

Carol Shaffer

ST. MATTHEWS

Valerie Hartlage

BettyJean Reasoner

Wendy Smith

Rev. Carolyn Shannon

Jeanne Smallwood

Rev. Richard Smallwood

Rev. Pamela Radke

Thelma Northrup