

Justice Ministries Coordinating Team Meeting

Tuesday, November 1, 2016

Leffler Living Room

JMCT Members Present: Betsy Bell, Tom Campbell, Louise Gringel-Caswell, Karen Knudson, Jacquelyn Miller, Marjorie Ringness, Carolyn White

Absent: Chris Breunig, Rick Hodsdon

Visitor: Dean Steve Thomason

Carolyn opened with prayer at 7:03 p.m.

2017 Reporting and Budgeting Process

Discussed our approach to how we should structure the process of creating the JMCT budget request to the Vestry for all of the Justice Ministries as well as for the JMCT. Questions raised were whether we should address the silo issue through our budget request that we make or whether we should focus our budget request on percentages for certain areas such as charity, advocacy, education, direct service, etc. rather than making requests for individual ministries and then having the ministries request funds from JMCT as a grant. Decided not to go in either of these directions.

Also, we addressed the question of whether it would help us to know what monies have been spent in the past on justice efforts from the congregation at large. Dean Thomason addressed the last question by noting that the funding for several several programs such as the Racial Reconciliation Group, Urban Garden, and Service Corp, as well as approximately sixty percent of the funds the Cathedral gives to the Diocese are spent on justice and outreach.

Reviewed the individual budget requests from the various justice ministries and created an aggregate budget request to forward to the Vestry that totaled approximately \$33,000 in expenses and approximately \$10,000 in revenue from the congregation and other sources.

Offering Plate Income

We discussed a proposal by Dean Thomason to designate the offering plate donations for two Sundays per month to individual Justice Ministries, perhaps beginning in 2018. We currently receive approximately \$900 per week for fifty weeks of the year, excluding Easter and Christmas. We decided to investigate this issue further.

Carolyn offered a closing prayer at 8:48.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Our next meeting will be held on November December 6, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the Leffler Living Room.

Minutes submitted by Jacquelyn Miller