

1. Steve Frank opened the meeting at 7:00 with a prayer. Roll call was taken. Those in attendance are noted below.

Status	Name	Ministry/Committee Assignment
X	Fr. Patrick Hilgendorf	Pastor
X	Fr. Andrew Rauenbuehler	Parochial Vicar
X	Steve Frank	President / Wellness
X	Mike VanSpeybroeck	Vice President/ Church Life
	Jennifer Stratman	Secretary
	Rick Willows	
x	Jacob Hines	Finance Council Rep
x	Vern Kuennen	Building and Grounds
x	Cathy Anderson	
x	Chris Boyd	
x	Jenny Parvin	
x	Bernie Mack	Ex-Officio (Lay Director)
	Molly Crosby	Ex-Officio (Lay Director)
	Chad Steimle	Ex-Officio (JFK Principal)
x	Helen White	Ladies Council
x	Marc Mosse	Ex-Officio (Deacon)
x	Maureen Mosse	Ladies Council
x	Heather Rushenberg	Board of Education Rep

(X = Present)

2. A motion was made to approve the June meeting minutes. It was seconded and approved by the council.
3. The mission and vision statements were read.
4. Old Business

Parish Picnic:

The picnic is scheduled for Sunday, September 24th from 12:00-4:00 PM. Mike VanSpeybroeck has been spearheading this project and reports that his committee expects about 275 people to attend and will prepare food accordingly. A hog has been donated. Food, water, and soft drinks will be provided to all attendees. There will be no alcohol at this event. There will be games for kids as well as face painting and bounce houses. It is hoped that some of these activities will be overseen by the youth ministry group. The OLV Singles group will be providing games and activities for adults. Set up may be partially done on Saturday and completed Sunday morning. Tear down will happen at the end of the event around 4:00PM.

Ministry Assignments:

Faith Formation and Social Action: Jenny Parvin
Worship and Liturgy: Cathy Anderson
Knights of Columbus: Chris Boyd
Church Life: Mike VanSpeybroeck
Stewardship: Rick Willows
Finance: Jacob Hines
Building and Grounds: Vern Kuennen

Pantry Box Update:

Discussion about the future of this endeavor centered around liability issues as well as food safety. Ultimately, Cathy Anderson, Helen White, and Fr. Andrew agreed to meet to discuss these issues and present their recommendations at the September meeting. In the meantime, the existing pantry will continue "as is" under the supervision of St. Anne's Circle who has taken on the responsibility of daily restocking.

5. New Business

Board of Education representation assignments:

September: Jennifer Stratman
October: Jacob Hines
November: Steve Frank
December: Mike VanSpeybroeck

As a reminder, the Board of Education meetings are the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30.

6. **Opening/Closing Prayer Assignments:**

Steve Frank assigned opening and closing assignments to council members from September through June 2024.

7. **Ministry Fair:**

There will be a ministry fair in the gathering space the weekend of October 14-15. See attached Stewardship for details.

8. **Parish Appreciation Dinner:**

Will be held on January 20, 2024. Discussion centered around children being invited to attend. Ultimately there was consensus that children age 14 and above will be invited to attend. Babysitting will be provided for younger children.

9. Ministry Reports.

- Social Action/Christian Service – No Report
- Church Life – Report Attached.
- Stewardship – Report Attached.

- Ladies Council – Report Attached
- Wellness – Report Attached
- Faith Formation – No Report.
- JFK/Board of Education –No Report.
- Family Life- No Report
- Finance & Administration – Report Attached

10. Standing Committee Reports

- Knights of Columbus –No Report.
- Building and Grounds- Report Attached
- Liturgy –No Report

11. Parishioners Comments:

The council had a brief discussion about crying children during liturgies. The consensus was that it was good to hear youngsters in church because they are our future. Fr. Patrick shared the loving solution he used in the past when a child was vocalizing during a liturgy. Next time you see him ask about it.

12. Parochial Vicar Comments:

1. Eucharistic Revival

Fr Andrew spoke about exploring ways to increase opportunities and education at the parish such as:

- * On Saturday 08/26 Fr. Luke Spannagel, a Eucharist Preacher, will be celebrating the 4:30 mass. At 6:30 he will give a presentation followed by adoration.
- * On 09/17 a video presentation called “The Veil Removed” before 11:00 AM Mass.
- * Bible study in November called “Presence”
- * Mission in winter months.
- * Feast of Corpus Christi in Spring with possible procession.
- * Expanded opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration

2. Welcoming and Belonging initiative within the Diocese

Fr. Andrew spoke about ways the parish staff has been brainstorming to become more welcoming and belonging. Things such as:

- *Possibly an announcement before Mass announcing bathroom locations, children welcome in church or in the gathering space etc.
- *Producing a form for each ministry to fill out that would include action items or ways they might include welcoming and belonging.

- *New efforts in recruiting ushers/greeters.
- *Using sponsor couples for the engaged.

13. Our next meeting will be September 26th at 7:00pm in the Parish Center.

14. Meeting adjourned with closing prayer by Father Patrick

Respectfully submitted,
Vern Kuennen
Acting Secretary

Finance Meeting July 24th, 2023

Currently getting quotes for parish center media update

Brick work had more issues than anticipated. Already spend 41k, could spend another 37k to finish. The work was only authorized for 55k. There was a motion to approve an additional 25k to spend on the brick work.

Playground estimates came in around \$202,337

Abby is going full time- new employee with faith formation

Budget was APPROVED

Updated IPS statement was APPROVED

August 2023 Building & Grounds

The brick retaining walls on either side of the Marian Garden have been power washed and are looking in near new condition.

The handicap door from the gathering space into the church has been trimmed so it now opens and closes without getting stuck because of seasonal expansion from humidity. Thank You to Chris Olds and Tom Simmons.

Also, a big thank-you to these same two gentlemen for their work on the Baptismal Font making for easier access to the controls and for replacing the heating element which makes for much warmer Baptisms.

~Vern Kuennen

Bldg. & Grounds chairman

Church Life July and August 2023

From our July 2, 2023 parish bulletin: On this first day of July 2023, the Our Lady of Victory Foundation wishes to welcome our new pastor, Father Patrick Hilgendorf, to the Our Lady of Victory family. We feel blessed to have him with us as we continue our journey to heaven. Our Lady of Victory, pray for us.

Excerpt From our August 13, 2023 parish bulletin:

A Message from Fr. Patrick.....

What a beautiful day to remember for our parish of Our Lady of Victory! So many people came together to make my Installation as the sixth Pastor of Our Lady of Victory Parish a wonderful celebration. As I mentioned at the end of Mass it was so nice that we were able to celebrate the Eucharist with Archbishop-elect Thomas Zinkula one more time before he leaves to become our Metropolitan as the Archbishop of Dubuque. This is something that every parish in the diocese will not be able to experience because it will be about two months until he is Installed on October 18, 2023. Our prayers and good wishes do go with him in his new assignment!

A Message from JFK Principal Chad Steimle.....

It's official! After several years of planning, Scott County Catholic Schools (SCCS) officially came into existence on July 1st. Supported by all of the parishes in Scott County, SCCS brings All Saints, Assumption, Lourdes Catholic School, St. Paul's Catholic School, and JFK under the legal umbrella of SCCS.

Excerpt from our July 9, 2023 parish bulletin: We're very excited to introduce Jammie Jamieson who will be working with Kaye (Meyers) as we prepare for the coming school year and all the many faith formation activities that it involves.

All invited - 3rd annual S'mores and campfire social on the ball field of JFK Friday, July 14, 2023 from 6:30-8:30pm. Interested parishioners were invited to drop in with friends and family to meet some new people and just enjoy each others and our beautiful campus.

Nourish, OLV's caregiver support group

Thursday, July 20 at 1pm in the Gathering Space Meeting Room, the topic - Staying Engaged, Keeping them Engaged. If you become disengaged while caregiving, the loved one you are caring for also becomes disengaged.

Isaiah 40:31 states, "Those who trust in the Lord shall renew their strength. They shall run and not grow weary." Come and learn how to stay engaged while caregiving.

Nourish, OLV's caregiver support group

Thursday, August 17th at 1pm in the Gathering Space Meeting Room of the church - topic for this month's session is The Spirituality of Asking For and Receiving Help. Asking for and receiving help is equally as important as giving to and helping others! It is not easy to ask for help, but as caregivers, we all need some help at some point.

Hebrews 4:16 "So let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help." Being able to ask for help is one of God's greatest mercies, giving us strength to ask. We hope to see all caregivers on the 17th!

Feed The Hungry

The Hunger Ministry is continuing to serve hot meals inside at Zion Lutheran Church. The Parish provides hot chicken and parishioners are asked to provide: potatoes; salad; vegetables; desserts; and bottled water to serve 12-15 people.

Victory 4 Life

The goal for our Ministry is to be a liaison between our local pregnancy resource centers and our church community. Victory 4 Life aims to provide our community and church with education on the sanctity of human life and support our local pregnancy resource centers with monetary and resource needs.

Victory 4 Life members helped the Knights of Columbus with the baby bottle campaign collecting donations for Pregnancy Resources, Women's Choice Center, and the University of Iowa Stead Family Children's Hospital. Over \$4,000 was collected! Thank you to all who donated to this project!

This Ministry meets once a month to discuss issues and plan future events. If you are interested, please join us Wednesday, August 9th at 6pm in the Gathering Space Meeting Room of the church.

July Restock the Food Pantry - solicitation to parishioners

It was announced that our food pantry, beside the winter entrance of the church, is checked and restocked daily. This is our opportunity to provide meal components for our community. Some suggested items were printed in the July 16, 2023 bulletin.

Singles Adult Ministry

July 5th - Pickleball at Ruby's 6:00 PM 429 E 3rd St. Davenport.

July 9th Singles Luncheon - El Compita at 1:30pm 14010 112th Ave. Dav. Please RSVP

July 12th Pickleball at Ruby's 6:00 PM

July 16th River Bandits Game. Seats are on the 3rd Baseline.

July 19th Pickleball at Ruby's 6:00 PM

July 20th Game Night in the Parish Center 5:30 PM.

July 23rd Putt Putt Golf at 2:00 PM Palmer Hills Golf Course. Lunch about 3:45 PM at Los Amigos - 2322 Spruce Hill Dr., Bettendorf

Singles Adult Ministry (continued)

July 26th Pickleball at Ruby's at 6:00 PM

August 7th Game Night (PC-T) at 5:30 PM. RSVP to 563-940-0504. Pizza will be provided for \$5, if you mention when you RSVP.

August 14th Game Night (PC-T) at 5:30 PM. RSVP to 563-940-0504. Bring a snack to share

Ladies Council Bazaar Committee Meeting, Sunday, August 13, 2023 1:30 PM

If you're interested in helping at the Parish Christmas Bazaar, please make sure to attend this meeting. Your participation and assistance will be greatly appreciated in making the event a success.

August announcement: OLOV to resume That Man is You TMYI: Becoming a Man After God's Own Heart

An interactive men's program that combines the best research from science with the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the Saints to develop male leaders capable of transforming themselves, their homes and society. Join us for food, fellowship and faith, Saturday mornings starting September, 9th at 6:30am in the Parish Center.

OLOV is excited to kick off Season 3 of IGNITE Sundays on August 20! All are invited to join us as we discuss The Reformation.

Ignite Sunday

We will begin with a 4:30pm Mass at the church and then proceed to the Parish Center for a meal about 5:20pm. A meal of brats, hotdogs, sides, and dessert will be served. Then we will break up into various groups to discuss The Reformation. Child care will be provided for those children not yet in kindergarten while those in kindergarten through 8th grade will all have their own group called Campfire to meet with. High Schoolers will meet with Abbey, our youth minister and all adults are invited to meet either in the parish center for their evening of discussion and activity or gather at church to pray for the success of IGNITE Sundays.

Registrations due by Monday August 21 — Adult Bible Study

Have you ever wondered why Mary is so important to our faith as Catholics? We turn to her in prayer, in the Mass, in the Rosary, and in Marian devotions. We honor her with special feasts celebrating the significant events in her life. We place images of her in our churches and homes.

Join us for Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother, an extraordinary study that reveals Mary's unique role in God's Kingdom and in our lives. Filmed on location in the Holy Land, Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of her earthly life, taking you through her joys and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her divine Son. Mary will become a part of your daily life and help you to become more like Christ.

This 8-week study will meet on the following Thursdays in the Gathering Space Meeting Room from 6:30-8:00pm: Sept. 7, 14, 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19 and 26.

Announcing

PURIFIED Event announced!

Chastity Project and Our Lady of Victory ANNOUNCE

PURIFIED: A family-based event that invites parents as well as teens to learn about God's plan for love. It combines Jason Evert's presentation on chastity for the family, with a time of prayer, adoration, and the sacrament of reconciliation for everyone. We will also be distributing free resources to every attendee so that every member of the family can take items home to help them live out this lifestyle.

Featuring Jason Evert

Date: Monday September 11, 2023 Time: 6:30-8:30pm

Parish Picnic

The OLV Parish Picnic is Sunday, September 24th following the 11:00am Mass. We will be serving pulled pork sandwiches and sides catered by Smokin' Butt BBQ. As in the past, there will be a hot dog option for the meal, lemonade and water available. Activities include bounce houses, family-oriented activities and entertainment. This outdoor event will accommodate those who want to attend, but might need accommodations due to mobility issues or who might be best suited to enjoy lunch in JFK's air-conditioned cafeteria. All outdoor activities are to be held on the grounds east of JFK school. There is no charge for the picnic, guests are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and an appetite!

August bulletin announcement to SAVE THE DATE!

Every year, the Our Lady of Victory Foundation takes time to celebrate with a Harvest Day dinner. Please save the date of Sunday, October 29th. All OLV and JFK supporters are welcome to join as we celebrate another year of growth. The dinner will be held from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Watch for more details to come.

Ladies Council Report - August 2023

Rummage Sale brought in \$4700. Several charitable organizations benefited from the remaining items after the sale. Volunteers stated that the tables being moved are too heavy. If we want our volunteers for future set-up/teardown, we need to obtain different tables. Ladies Council decided at the June 26th meeting to replace many of the tables with commercial grade resin. Order will be placed for a total of 60 rectangle tables. 40 - 8' and 20 - 6'. Depending on campus storage, the number to be purchased may change. Scott agreed to accept delivery of the tables and put them in storage. After review of the tables in the rectory garage, there is room there once the old tables are gone. Need to discuss with Chad regarding the tables that are currently in the storage room, off the gym, for additional storage of the replacement tables. The old tables will be sold or donated. Depending on where the tables are going, we will need to determine how and who will deliver the tables to the respective new home(s). After this year's bazaar, we will decide if round tables should be replaced also and other parish needs. We would like to know if the possibility of the outdoor sign will be replaced at any time soon and what is the cost of an electronic sign.

Per discussion regarding the Little Food Pantry from the last Parish Council meeting, St. Anne's Circle decided at their August meeting to stop stocking the current cabinet. Additional information has been received since then and the circle will discuss going forward at their September meeting. Tentative plan is moving the pantry to the south side of the Marian garden, facing north east with a new cabinet. We will need to have more control on what is going into the pantry, daily check of the cabinet to make sure the items are rotated and not out of date. Household

and hygiene items might be added. We will be using the same guidelines of local pantries. There is still a need for the pantry.

Bazaar committee has had their first meeting. We need a couple chairperson volunteers. If you know or hear of someone who would like to jump in, please have them contact Helen. Bazaar is November 4/5. Chad has already put us on the school calendar. THANK YOU!! We are looking at incentives for parishioners to return their raffle tickets. Due to we won't have a quilt this year, we will add another "dollar" prize.

A Bingo Afternoon has been scheduled for October 22nd. More details will follow soon.

Helen

Stewardship Report
August 2023

The Stewardship Committee invites OLV/JFK ministries and activities to join the Time & Talent Renewal scheduled for October 2023 in the Gathering Space.

Purpose:

- To celebrate the gifts of time and talent that make our parish strong.
- To give people an opportunity to become engaged in a parish ministry.

Dates: October 14-15

October 21-22

October 28-29 (EXTENDED for a third week ONLY if there is sufficient interest)

Renewal is **launched October 14-15** with a Call to Stewardship—a short recognition at Mass (following homily) of all the good stewardship already happening. (Per PC recommendation given last Spring).

- Held in connection with Social Sunday.
- A few table displays in GS hosted by ministries/organizations looking for new members

October 21-22 has ministry banners for all groups on display in the church proper. Also includes a few (NEW—not repeat from Oct. 14-15) table displays in GS hosted by other ministries/organizations.

October 28-29—repeat previous week if there is interest for additional (NEW) displays.

Options for joining renewal: (choose **ONE** please)

- 1**—Host a table display on one of the available weeks. Stewardship will provide a card table and your ministry banner, plus all publicity for the weekend. You should plan to:
 - Supply table materials, including handouts
 - Staff the table following Masses on your exhibit weekend to greet prospective members and explain activities.
 - Train and incorporate new members into your activities
 - To minimize competition, we want to limit the number of table displays featured in the GS each week. (Max 3-4. Also a recommendation from PC)
- 2**—Add your opening(s) to the Service Opportunities card (See page 2). Stewardship will actively promote and distribute cards. All respondents will receive a written thank you, and their name/contact information will be promptly passed along to the appropriate ministry.

How to Participate

Contact Judy Johnson, by phone or email to let us know of your interest. To facilitate planning and materials preparation, we ask that you **respond by September 20, 2023**. Table displays will be accommodated on a first-come, first-served basis.

- Judyj1020@msn.com
- 563-210-5154

Hello all,

Below is a meeting recap:

- The parish council has given us a budget of \$600 of funding for the fiscal year which started in July. First expenditure was for affirmation cards to be sent to clients of the Women's Choice Center and Pregnancy Resource Center.
- Approved to place collection bin at front entrance for donations for our resource center (was given a time constraint today so more to come on this piece). Placed a flyer on bin of current needed items for both centers. Will pick up items weekly.
- Mary Thiessen attended a tour at the Moline location of the PRC and met with Liz Ryan. She received a full packet with information to share with the group and parishioners that are interested in being involved.
- Julie Gill offered information on WCC and ways the two groups are the same. There are some differences which were discussed. There is also a group called Parent Pals that will donate car seats as needed to the centers.
- At WCC, there is a family practice available to clients which doesn't take insurance, but a monthly fee based on the family size and can see doctor as many times as needed in a month.
- Tours are available at both centers, just need to call and get set up. Might be something we could do as a group.
- Pro Life in the Park: Scheduled for August 20th from 6-7:30 at Prairie Heights ballfield. Please bring your own chair. Music and light refreshments will be provided. Fr Rich Adam will be a speaker. Maureen Mosse states there will be someone at the gate that will match all donations given. All funds go to both centers. Plan to join!! :) See past two weeks bulletins for more info or this Facebook event link here <https://fb.me/e/5ljGuFWUR>
- October 1, 2023 at 1:00PM : Tentative sanctity of human life speech by Sarah from WCC to speak here at the parish center. Possibly might couple this with a donation drive.
- Two books are available to read from the group on the pro-life argument, What to Say When and Pro Choice or Pro-Life. Lynn Frank has the What to Say When books and Emily has the Pro Choice or Pro-Life books. Would be cool if we all read these together and discussed portions at meetings.
- A request was made to carry up roses during the offertory on October 1 during the masses and the roses would be placed in front of our statue of Mary. This will need to be discussed with Fr Patrick. Also would like to have our mission in the intentions said during mass.

- PRC is doing their Walk for Life on September 9, 2023 at the Ben Butterworth Park - East Shelter. Check in is from 8:30 till 10:30 am. All info is online at <https://qcpregnancypartners.org/walk> or you can call Liz Ryan at 309-797-3636
- Women's Choice Center is having their fundraiser dinner on Tuesday September, 26th 2023. Everyone is welcome. It will be at the Waterfront Convention Center. call or email Julie Gill if you want to attend and she can get you an invitation to RSVP 563-275-8811 tchgill@yahoo.com

The meeting ended with us all writing encouraging words of affirmation notes to the clients that come in for appointments at the centers

I know that was a lot but let me know if you have any questions. :)

Waiting to hear back on a next meeting time and date so will send that out when I get word from the office.

Till next time!

Emily Raupp

OLV WELLNESS COMMITTEE
Meeting Agenda
August 17, 2023 GSMR
Meeting 6:00-7:00 pm

Our Mission: We, the people of the Wellness Committee of Our Lady of Victory Parish are continuing Jesus' mission of love and healing today. As provider, employee, advocate, parishioner – bringing together people of diverse faiths and backgrounds - our ministry is an enduring sign of health care rooted in our belief that every person is a treasure, every life a sacred gift, every human being is a unity of body, mind and spirit.

Present: Jan King, Char McGovern, Julie Kilburg, Bonnie Behyl, Maureen Mosse, Lynn Frank

Meeting Called to Order at 7 PM

Opening Prayer - Prayer of Thankfulness (Char)

Welcome/Introductions/Remembrance – No introductions needed. Pat Turner is remembered as a long and faithful member of the Wellness Committee.

Review and Approval of Minutes of April 20, 2023 - Approved

Follow Up and Discussion of special May meeting and report - Discussed Committee structure and purposes from special May meeting, and how to make that clear in the upcoming update to the Stewardship Committee's Ministry handbook.

- Jan will take suggestions and draft something, then send out to all for feedback.

Treasurer's Report (Maureen Mosse)

Current Balance as of 7/31/23: \$1962.29

Jan submitted 2 bills:

- updated Grief Share packet (bundle of 15 plus extra leadership guide) - \$487.25
- supplies from Walmart for Grief Share (tissue boxes, small books for journaling, storage boxes for these) - \$23.80

Discussion of Parish Appreciation Dinner to give feedback to the Parish Council. The committee was asked to discuss options for food served as a buffet. Suggestions included doing something lighter like an ice cream social; or whatever is easier for the people preparing it.

The committee was also asked to discuss what ages should be included (Parish Council had talked about 4th grade and up).

- No specific age recommendation by the committee, but some individual comments were "since the youth and older children also contribute to the parish they should be included in the appreciation so they feel valued as part of the parish"; "the altar servers do get a 'thank you' through Skip collecting at morning mass"; could ask the youth or confirmation class to provide babysitting, but then they don't get to attend (but do get service hours), or could just not provide babysitting and families can arrange on their own.

Some additional comments

- Several Wellness Committee members said they do not attend the dinner and are not sure we should have it because all of the work done in the parish is part of our stewardship. Plus, it is so much work for the people who put it on, and they then don't get appreciated.
- If the purpose is to provide fellowship, we do have other opportunities for that (bazaar, parish picnic, Ignite Sundays, Social Saturday/Sunday).

Health Ministry Report (Char McGovern)

- 169 contacts by Health Ministry Team, including 8 hospital visits, 8 church visits, 40 home visits and 2 nursing home visits. In addition, 19 attended the Aging 101 presentation, 21 total contacts through Nourish over 3 months; attendance at the blood pressure clinic was 19 in June and 14 in July.
- Tai Chi has been held at Zion Lutheran Church through Milestones Agency on Aging. There were two classes this spring with 20 attending the first and 16 attending the second (which will finish 9/11/23). Not all, but some of these were OLV parishioners. Currently in discussion with Sonita from Milestones concerning classes to hold in the fall.

Parish Council Report (reported by Steve Frank via email) – Steve has been elected Parish Council President and will be the Wellness Committee Parish Council representative for the year. The first Parish Council meeting is on Aug 22 and one of the items on the agenda is a proposed ministry fair. It has not yet been scheduled, and he will pass along those details when they are known.

Old Business

Program Updates:

Char McGovern

Nourish Program – See report. Meets monthly. The same 6-8 people typically attend. Ongoing and going very well. Paid \$250 to renew it.

Tai Chi – Discussing with Sonita whether to hold classes here. Asked if we would want to host Better Health Better Choices, an 8-week program with 3-hour long classes, for people with chronic diseases. Both education and exercise (PT, Pharmacist, Police Officer, Dietician, Public health. Free services. Coping with your disease and the choices you make.

No longer have Matter of Balance because seemed to have reached our saturation point. Could potentially collaborate with Zion Lutheran for this.

Stephen’s Ministry Update (Char McGovern) – this was on the agenda because Char was planning to speak with Marilyn Riley about appropriate referrals. The Health Ministry Team will let the parish office know of people they think may be in need of this ministry and then the office will refer to Stephen’s Ministry.

Aging 101 Event (June 11, 2023) Follow-up Report (Char and Julie)

- 19 attended. Went 1 ½ hours with a lot of good questions.

Book Sale Follow-Up (Maureen and Jan)

- \$1003 was raised. Leftovers sold well at the Rummage Sale; some extras went to “Cops and Books”; the library took a lot for their used bookstore.

AED Electrode Pad Issue (Jan) - Ongoing. We have received further letters that we fill out more paperwork. Worked with the school and resubmitted everything through the office (Ann took care of it). Still waiting but should be receiving this for free. Right now all are still up to date except adult on in Parish Center. Should still be good for a year unless beeping. School does have 2 adults, so may borrow from them.

Scholarship Recipient Response (Jan)

- Jan read a letter from Connor Wittig expressing his appreciation for receiving the scholarship and reporting what he has been doing. Jan will check with him for permission to publish his letter in the Victory Voice. This would help people see how the scholarship money raised at the booksale helps.

Follow-up to Committee Membership Planning Meeting - Jan drafted a description based on what was discussed at the May special meeting. Committee discussed a combination of this and the current wording in the Ministry booklet. This is getting updated but we will be limited to a certain space. Jan will take suggestions and draft new wording, then send to everyone to approve.

New Business

GriefShare Program – Fall Session

- Ordered new materials but will use up old stuff first. There is now a new TV and setup to learn. Next spring we will start using the new materials. The videos in the new materials are shorter and there are some new people giving their stories (including more men).
- Fall program: Tuesdays Sept 5-Nov 28, 2023
- Surviving the Holidays Saturday November 11, 2023 in parish center starting at 8 AM. Help will be needed – Char and Bonnie will run but will need help with food, serving, dishes.

Educational Opportunities (Bonnie and Julie)

Repeat -CPR & Stop the Bleed- Date?

Repeat -Life Planning Inventory Date?

Discussed perhaps one of them this fall and the other at the end of winter (March?). No other topics planned at this time.

Contributing to Community Organizations-previously suggested:

All

Empower House

Jane’s Place

Hold for now.

Miscellaneous

All

- Jan will ask health department for oral health materials for Trunk or Treat
- Also discussed including toothbrushes, floss, toothpaste in College Care Packages
- We have old name tag holders and lanyards we don't need. Maureen will check with CEW and Jason Evert team to see if they can use it.
- First aid kits have expired, so need to order new ones.

**Future meetings 2023: Quarterly – Third Thursday 5:30 – 6:30 pm Rectory (unless GSMR available)
November 16**

**Future Meetings 2024: Continue Quarterly - Third Thursday 5:30 – 6:30 PM
February 15
May 16
August 15
November 21**

Closing Prayer - Ecclesiastes

TBD

Adjournment – adjourned at 7:15 PM