# CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION WOMEN'S GROUP MEETING MINUTES September 13, 2021

**WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER** - Anne Jackson, acting as interim General Chair, opened the meeting at 7:07 pm. There were 45 ladies present. Anne opened the meeting by advising the Ladies to give any scratch-off lottery tickets to Leslie Kollar, and recipes to Adora Gallagher.

Suanne Gettings recited an opening prayer, and everyone joined in reciting a Hail Mary.

# **COMMUNICATIONS**- Adora Gallagher and Joanne Turner

- Adora was in the office making copies of all of the recipes brought in by the ladies. Copies will be distributed.
- Joanne read off thank-you notes from:
  - ✓ John Tucker on behalf of the Hospitality Committee, thanking the Women's Group for their donation to provide a \$25 gift card to each of our Hispanic students. WG donated \$500.
  - ✓ St. Francis Center staff thanked WG for our donation toward school supplies. WG donated \$500.
  - ✓ Dianna Hall received a thank you note (prior to Mary Rybski's death), from Mary's family to thank WG for the cards that their mom received.
  - ✓ Dianna also received a thank you note from Ginny Freet's daughter, Barbara, for the cards received by Ginny.
  - ✓ The staff at St. James the Less thanked the WG for their support during the year. St. James' June pantry number reflected that 119 households were served which included 526 individuals. During the time that WG was not meeting, the Executive Committee authorized Susan Vargo to continue mailing \$200 donation checks each quarter.
- Susan Vargo mentioned that she will be writing the quarterly check for St. James this month. In view of the fact that WG has only had two meetings this quarter, Susan would like to write the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter check in the amount of \$200 even though WG has only collected \$63 during the August meeting and \$37 during this September meeting. Susan made a motion that the WG 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter check to St. James the Less Food Pantry total \$200. Marilyn Regrut seconded the motion. **THE MOTION PASSED.**
- Anne mentioned that she recently was on the WG website and updated the Executive Committee names.
- Janice Smith-Savage came forward and gave Anne ten tickets for a NFL Football raffle that her husband, Larry, purchased. Larry asked that ten ladies who follow the NFL, take the tickets. If there are any winning tickets, the winnings would be given to the Women's Group. Ten ladies came forward and picked up the raffle tickets.

#### FINANCE - Susan Vargo

• All Women's Group books balance with the bank as of September 8th.

### **EDUCATION AND MEMORY BOOK:** Judy Howard

- Judy reported that the Memory Book Committee has not met since February 2020. The group will begin meeting once the Co-Vid numbers come under control.
- The WG October 4<sup>th</sup> meeting will be our game night. Bring a favorite board or card game. Following the meeting, you will be able to participate in any variety of games.
- If anyone would like to recommend a program or speaker for 2022, provide the contact information to Judy.

### MEMBERSHIP: Janice Smith-Savage and Joyce Smith

- Janice and Joyce reported that WG had 22 paid members following the August meeting, and many more have joined/updated their membership tonight.
- Tonight, we gained seven new members and two members brought their dues payment up-to-date. The following ladies newly joined WG tonight:

Virginia BraunBarb BugoshDebby CadaJeanne DavisKathy GardnerJudy Rogers

Judith Wrener

 Drawings for both the WG current member and the guest she brought were held. The winners of \$10 gift cards were:

- ✓ Current member, Peggy Kehres who brought Virginia Braun,
- ✓ Current Member Joanne Turner who brought Debby Cada, and
- ✓ Current Member Donna Andriot who brought returning member Sue Gaddam.
- There were five September birthdays. So, a round of "Happy Birthday" was sung.

# **SERVICE** – Rae Mooney and Barb Worls (absent)

- Rae reported that St. James the Less is in need of canned soup. Soup may be placed in the box at the rear of the church.
- The drawing for those individuals who brought a donation for St. James the Less tonight of either two items or \$2 in cash was held. The winner of the \$10 gift card from Panera Bread was won by Connie Koralewski.
- Barb is mailing "Thinking of You" or "Sympathy" cards to COTR parishioners from the Women's Group.
- Dianna Hall sends homemade cards to WG members who are unable to attend our WG meetings. Dianna sends holiday, birthday, or thinking of you cards throughout the year.

#### **SOCIAL**: Marcia Vargo and Leslie Kollar

- Marcia thanked those ladies who assisted her with the set-up tonight. Since Joyce and Janice have taken on the membership role, Marcia needs more assistance setting up before and cleaning up following the meetings. Any interested individual needs to arrive by 6:30pm. A sign-up sheet is available.
- Peggy Kehres from Creed donated a rolling book case to the Women's Group in March, 2020 for our growing book collection. Marcia asked that people feel free to take what they wanted, and there is no need to return the books
- For the October Game Night meeting, the WG will be providing purchased snacks. Donations from home cannot be used due to Co-Vid restrictions.
- Mary Delaney announced that she will be attending the movie, "Show Me the Father" this coming Saturday at the Crosswoods Theatre and invited anyone who might like to join her to show up for the 3pm showing.
- Suanne Gettings confirmed that she will be retiring from her position with the COTR at the end of this year. Suanne plans to continue her involvement as a parishioner. The Church has hired Brad Romantic who will serve as the liaison for the WG beginning in 2022. Brad has served as one of the youth leaders at St. Paul's.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### **Hollyday Craft Bazaar**

- Anne reminded the ladies of the upcoming Hollyday Craft Bazaar, which will happen on November 6<sup>th</sup>.
- There are sign-up sheets available for anyone who would like to help during the bazaar.
- Anne only has five open spaces, but a really nice mix of vendors will participate.
- The raffle will still take place, and we are looking for a few new donated electronic items to offer.

Due to Covid there is the POSSIBILITY that the following protocols might be in place:

- A mask mandate for everyone who is inside the building.
- A need to count all individuals who enter and leave the building as we are limited as to how many people may be inside.
- There will not be a bake sale.
- Only food made in the church or store bought can be sold in the kitchen.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Anne announced that during the December meeting, there will be an election. Only the position for the General Chair needs to be filled this year. Anne is willing to run for the office. Let Anne know if you are interested in running for the General Chair position. In order to vote in December, you must be a paid member.
- Drawing for the three door prizes were won by: Sheila Tompos, Phyllis Morse, and Leslie Kollar.
- Anne announced a reminder about the October 4<sup>th</sup> Game Night meeting.

The meeting closed at 7:45pm. The ladies took a break to eat some desserts provided and served by Executive Committee members and participate in a demonstration of square dancing put on by the Promenaders.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by, Joanne Turner, Co-communications Chair Church of the Resurrection Women's Group