

EPF of Ithaca Area Minutes September 10, 2018

Attendees: Joey Cardamone, Linda Gaither, Ed and Nancy Siemon, Cathy Lewis

Opening Prayer: Monday reading from prayer card

Social Justice Minute:

- Cathy Lewis commented that we need to get Tracey Mitrano elected and Tom Reed out.
- Nancy commented that she is skeptical that the USA is really a democracy in light of gerrymandering and electoral college.

Episcopal Peace Fellowship National:

- Linda reported that EPF is in financial crises. No longer can pay 2 staff people; only one can continue. Alison Liles will be going into parish ministry and Shannon continues working.
- The National Executive Council of EPF decided to change the name of EPF to Episcopal Network for Peace and Justice. Everyone agreed that the new name does not reflect the spiritual aspect of EPF. Linda has written a letter advising that the name not be changed and if they want it changed, the NEC needs to use a process to do so.

CJP/JVP:

- Cathy and Linda met with 2 members of JVP this summer and started planning a meeting of CJP/JVP meeting for Fall. The date is Sunday, September 30, 2018, in the youth or Chapman room (since decided the Chapman room) of St. John's
- The agenda is that the first hour is sharing motives or experiences that brought us to this place. We will read articles suggested by both EPF and JVP for background. Purpose is group and trust building. The second hour is planning a larger event.

- Linda will send out JVP choices to EPF members. We will select articles from “Why Palestine Matters.” Suggested that we include forward, pp.37-39 and chapters 1 and 2. Make suggestions by September 14; mail Linda.
- Hour two could discuss “No Way to Treat a Child” campaign as a possibility for an event.

Next Meeting: Monday, September 24, 2018, 5 PM. at. St. John’s; in the Chapman room.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:20 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Siemon