

## ALIVE Ministry - May 7 minutes & action items

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### **ALIVE: Affirming the LGBT+ community in an Inclusive, Valuing Environment**

Please let me know if I omitted anything major or stated anything incorrectly.

Another great meeting! Thanks to the ALIVE team for all the great collaboration and passion around this important topic!

**In attendance May 7th:** Alana Florio, Maureen Daly, Sue Woodman, Charlotte Grahe, Anne Asquino, Jules Valencia Banks, Peggy McMillan, Graham Yearly

\* Opening Prayer

\* Reading of our confidentiality agreement

\* Reviewed the status of the following actions associated with the announcement of ALIVE to our parish on June 2nd, Ascension Sunday as well as our participation in the Pride Parade on Saturday, June 15th.

- **Alana:** notified all of the main ministries/committees at St. Vs regarding ALIVE. She is also scheduled to review ALIVE at the Education & Enrichment team meeting May 12 as well as the Liturgy Committee meeting on May 20.
- **Jules:** developed a tri-fold ALIVE brochure - **Jules** will make the changes we discussed in our meeting. **Maureen** will do a final edit. **Alana** will let **Jules** know this week what contact info (email & two names) to include in the brochure. **Jules** will attempt to get a quote from **Father Ray** or fill the blank space with an image. Printing costs for 200 brochures estimated at \$100-150.
- **Alana:** Integrate our ALIVE announcement with the liturgy on June 2.
  - **Alana** will be the liturgy planner & is coordinating with **Father Ray & Joe Organ** on the mass content and music to tie into ALIVE's theme.
  - **Peggy & Anne** will bring up the gifts.
  - **Anne & Sue** will have 2 dozen carnations dyed.
  - **Peggy & Maureen** will dress the alter.
  - **Peggy** is scheduled to say our intercessory prayer on June 2.
  - **Anne** will order a faith colors of the rainbow pennant banner to drape on archway entering the gathering space for a cost of about \$7

- **Sue:** created an ALIVE button which has been ordered (250 buttons) and is scheduled to be delivered by May 15. We also want Father Ray to wear the ALIVE button on June 2. We decided instead of ordering an ALIVE specific t-shirt for now we will use the existing one used by FCBWP. **Jules** will order 20 t-shirts in various sizes at a cost of \$100. **Alana** will pick them up at 6:30pm on Tuesday, June 4 at Faith Presbyterian Church.
- **Charlotte:** developed our church bulletin ALIVE announcements which began on May 5 and will continue weekly up to and including June 2.
- **Charlotte:** will develop an ALIVE announcement and schedule it to be in our church e-newsletter during the week prior to June 2 & also the week after (June 9) which will include photos/info from the previous week June 2 event. **Jules** volunteered **Ned** to take photos of the entire June 2 event and will send photos to **Colleen** which will be used in the June 9 e-newsletter announcement that **Charlotte** will be drafting. **Alana** will identify the link to be used in the e-newsletter to access ALIVE info from St. Vs website.
- **Maureen:** will deliver an ALIVE announcement verbally at the end of the Sunday mass on May 26 & June 2. On June 2 the entire ALIVE team will join her at the front of the church as the announcement is delivered. **Maureen** will also acknowledge the presence of members from other LGBT+ ministries that are present at the June 2 mass.
- **Peggy :** will organize and lead information & treat tables (2 tables) after the June 2 mass in the undercroft. Info will include our brochures, sign up sheet for ALIVE and the June 15 Pride Parade (**Maureen**), brochures & info from other LGBT+ ministries. On June 9 **Jules** will also have the sign up sheet for the Pride Parade in the undercroft.
  - **Peggy** will bring a "Welcome Alive" sheet cake, iced mint tea, fruit, fruit salad, toothpicks...
  - **Anne** will order four dozen sugar cookies from BJ's and will have vanilla icing, and rainbow colored sprinkles added.
  - **Anne** will order rainbow tablecloths at a cost of \$20
  - **Graham** will bring forks, cups, plates, napkins
- **Alana:** will follow up with **Colleen** to ensure ALIVE is included as one of the ministries/committees in a drop list with other ministries/committees on the St. Vs website.
- **Maureen:** Will create an Ad about ALIVE & June 2 and have it published in the FCBWP newsletter.
- **Maureen:** attended a Pride Parade planning meeting with **Jules**. **Jules** emailed us notes from the meeting today.
- **Alana:** follow up to ensure Ryan, FCBWP and other key members from LGBT+ Ministries in other parishes in the the Baltimore Archdiocese are aware of and are invited to our June 2 event.
- **Alana** will confirm with **Colleen** St. Vs payment for this year to FCBWP.
- **\* We will have a final check-in meeting on May 26 at 11:00am in the rectory 2nd floor conference room\***

**Future actions to discuss:**

- \* Some thoughts from Father Ray emailed to us on May 7th which he asked us to think about and reflect on in a future meeting are attached to this email.
- \* Schedule forums for further understanding of LGBT stories and spiritual needs.
- \* "A Night of Sharing": Inviting the speakers from the LGBT Workshop at the recent Social Ministry Convocation to share their stories with our congregation and others with whom we are beginning to network. Open this up to others who may want to tell their story.
- \* "Night of Song & Prayer": Alana and Graham with St. V's Choir/Music group and other musical groups & talents from other supportive parishes.
- \* Invite Speakers from Dignity, BCFWP, New Ways Ministry etc.
- \* Ryan & Alana to invite Archbishop Lori and a few representatives of LGBT ministries in our Archdiocese to a dinner we would sponsor for open dialog and understanding.
- \* Alana & Ryan to set-up that would include representatives of other parish LGBT ministries to discuss the James Alison article: "Toward Global Inclusion of LGBT People Within the Catholic Communities: A new theological approach" We will consider emailing this article with a cover letter to AB Lori.

Thanks,

Alana

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