

St. Andrew's by the Lake Episcopal Church
Bishop's Committee Meeting, Sunday, July 16,2017

Present: Karen Nichols, Sr. Warden, Laura Jacobs, Jr. Warden, Liz Benson-Johnson, Sandy Carlson, Dave Johnson, J Laundergan, Brian Lundberg, Kinnan Stauber, The Rev. Marta Maddy, Melissa Martinie,—guest, Jean Laundergan, Clerk

The meeting, held in Marta's office, was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by Karen and Marta opened the meeting with a prayer.

Reflection: Mathew 13:24-30 (The Message) was read by Brian. Discussion followed.

Minutes of previous meetings: **May:** Jean was out-of-town at State PEO Convention. Liz B-J took notes and will write them up for the August meeting. The June BC meeting was cancelled.

Treasurer's Report: The reports were projected on a screen for all to see. Income, approx. \$10,000, checkbook is down slightly, assets are close, balance sheet is OK. Book & Brat Sale proceeds: \$1295 to CHUM for school bus transportation (to & from) for children at Steve O'Neil house to attend the Head Start Program; pay fee for Maddie to attend Episcopal summer camp; and a \$500 donation to Jonah L. for the Destination Imagination Team to travel to Knoxville, Tennessee for the national competition.

CHUM: On Sunday evening, July 13, First Lutheran is responsible for the worship service at Peace Church and St. Andrew's is responsible for the dinner. Ginny Berger will be in charge of preparing the food and bringing it to the church. The meal will be sloppy joes, calico beans, pasta salad, chocolate cake and beverage (pink lemonade). Volunteers are needed to help with set up, serving and clean-up.

Marta distributed copies of the August/September calendar. She will be on vacation August 9-19.

National Night Out for Park Point will take place at St. Andrew's on Tuesday, August 1. There are three cases of bratwurst in the freezer from the Brat Sale which will be used for the event. Brian L. will set up some games, Mark B. will have cribbage available, and there will be some musical entertainment. Sandy commented that there was a good turn out when St. Andrew's hosted the event in 2015 (police officers on horseback).

Updates on Building & Landscaping: SAS Landscape architects have completed their contract work with St. Andrew's. We now need to begin work on obtaining construction bids for the repairs and improvements that must be made. The red front doors should be replaced because they are leaking and deteriorating. However, because they are an unusual size they must be custom made at an approx. cost of \$4,000. This project will be put on hold for now so that other work and repairs can

begin. Dave and Liz will work on getting this done when time and funds permit. Dave Johnson & Mary Anderson are working together on the landscape plans and need volunteers to assist with this project.

St. Andrew's Bishop's Committee Covenant: The members voted to approve the new Bishop's Committee Covenant. It will be printed, signed and displayed.

New Website for St. Andrew's by the Lake: Dave Johnson was commended for his excellent work in designing/developing our new website. He explained some of the changes, improvements and features. A "working group" will meet after church on July 30 to review and rewrite the webpages.

Marta suggested that we have "**Working Groups**" for specific tasks instead of "Standing Committees" and it was unanimously agreed that it is a good idea. One working group would be security for the building. We have some problems in the past, but nothing has occurred recently. John Brostrom is very conscientious about checking the doors. We all need to be mindful of being certain that all doors and windows are closed and locked before we leave the building. A motion was made by Sandy Carlson and seconded by J Laundergan that we establish a working group for the website. There was discussion and the motion passed.

Interior Lighting: Dave J. made a motion which was seconded by B-J that all the lighting in the building be replaced with new fluorescent tube LED lights. The cost is approx. \$800. This is more efficient environmentally and financially. The motion passed unanimously.

Diaconate for Mary Anderson: Mary intends to go forward with the process of becoming a Deacon. There is considerable expense involved and we hope to be able to assist her financially. It involves: forming cohorts, taking on0line classes, meeting monthly in Fairbault (\$10/night), \$1,000 psychological evaluation, \$6,000 for classes to be taken over a two-year period of time. There will be additional expenses too.

Other: Sandy reminded us that the deadline for submissions for the August Grains of Sand and the Park Point Breeze is July 26.

As there was no further business for today's meeting, we adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Laundergan, Clerk

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