

St. Andrew's by the Lake Episcopal Church
Bishop's Committee Minutes, October 15, 2017

Present: The Rev, Marta Maddy; Karen Nichols, St. Warden, Laura Jacobs, Jr. Warden, Liz Benson Johnson, Dave Johnson, J Laundergan, Jean Laundergan (clerk). **Absent:** Sandy Carlson (out of town) and Brian Lundberg, Kinnan Stauber.

The meeting was called to order at 11:20 a.m. by Karen. Marta opened the meeting with a prayer (which ended with "party on!").

Continuing with "CROSS + GEN" (share – read – talk – pray – bless). There were two readings from the letter to the Ephesians 4:7 and 11-16. One from the NRSV and the other from MESSAGE. Discussion followed.

Minutes of the September 12th meeting were reviewed; motion to accept was made by Laura and seconded by J Laundergan and were approved as written.

Reports

Financial: September 30, 2017 Balance Sheet: Total Assets = \$593,812.56; Total Current Liabilities = \$1,014,54; Total Long Term Liabilities = \$131,583.79; Equity: Art & Spirituality Fund = \$192.95; CHUM Meal Fund = \$2,855.43; Clergy Discretionary Fund = \$118.00; Memorial Fund = \$73,603.89; Outreach Fund = 0; Pass Thru Fund = 0; Youth Fund = \$8,199.54. Total Equity = \$461,214.23. Year-to-Date Income = \$79,253.73; Actual = \$80,531.59; Expenses = \$73,287.48; expense actual = \$68,783.00 (significantly more -Clergy compensation). Balance sheet is on target. \$132.00 for Animal Allies. Motion to accept reports made by Dave J, seconded by Liz B-J, and passed unanimously.

What should we know for the coming months: Marta compiled a calendar which includes October, November and December. Oct. 22nd is the 30th anniversary of Helen Hanten's ordination to the Diaconate – there will be a special celebration. The funeral service for Helen Nygard will be on Monday, Oct. 23rd. Monday Study Group – Oct 30th, Nov. 6th, 13th, 20th, and 27th. Study group will continue all thru November, (9:30-11:00 a.m. November 5th is All Saints Day – Eucharist Service. "Share the Love Concert" will be at 3:30 pm on that day also. The concert is a benefit event for CHUM. Bill & Laurie Bastian. Donations of desserts are requested. Signs need to be put up to advertise this event. Nov. 12th – CHUM Sandwiches; Nov. 19th – Bishop's Committee meeting. Thanksgiving is Thursday, Nov. 23rd. St. Andrew's Day is Thursday, Nov. 30th. There will be a potluck supper at 5:30 pm. Dec. 2-3 begins ADVENT. Dec. 9-10 Eucharist, St.Nicholas, and CHUM sandwiches. Sunday, Dec. 24 (Christmas Eve) Morning prayer at 9:45; Service of lessons and carols at 4:30 pm, 10:00 pm Eucharist. The church will be closed on Monday, 25th, Christmas Day. No service on Saturday, Dec. 30th. Sunday 31st, Eucharist at 9:45 "come as you are".

Old Business: Landscape - Dave gave an update on the landscaping project. Two bids have been received 1) KTM \$12,360 for tar & sidewalk. He will ask for another bid for paving with concrete. 2) Sinnott's bid was \$16,058.00 which included 4" asphalt, not the sidewalk, just prep

work. For handicap access 4" and asphalt is required. Bids need to be compared. The bid for the front of the church from Miller Creek was \$75,000! Mike Saline was suggested (Engwalls) he is well liked and highly recommended. Ellie A. and Mary A. will work with him on the plans. He also does work with KTM. The landscaping will be done in phases. It was suggested that we contact Michael Pipkin of ECMN to see if they can help us financially.

St. Andrew's is 100 years old this year! We will include this significant milestone with St. Andrew's Day

Stewardship Planning: Dave J. and Karen N. will be heading up the pledge campaign. The comments from the survey will be taken into consideration. J & Jean Laundergan volunteered to do the letters and mailing. The ECMN theme this year is "Beloved Community". Go above and beyond ourselves – not necessarily monetarily but doing out in the community. Hospitality and Table 229. Reaching out. Dave will speak at next week's worship service; then the survey will go out, with a deadline of 2 weeks for responses. Collect all words/ideas (small & larger). Karen will put up posters. The committee will meet on November 5th and the letters will go out on November 26th (before St. Andrew's Day)

St. Andrew's Website: We need someone to take the lead and manage the website. For now, it will be maintained as is. Liz Benson Johnson volunteered to work with Marta on the website.

New Business:

Advent: Marta announced that Sister Pauline at the McCabe Renewal Center has developed a three-part series based on Pope Francis's book *The Joy of Discipleship*". This study will be held at St. Andrew's on three Wednesdays in December: 6th, 13th & 20th **from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.** beginning with a simple soup supper.

An Idea: It was suggested that we get St. Andrew's sweatshirts and/or T-shirts. Laura mentioned that we should contact Duluth Screen Print (Ian & Mary Scherber) to get information (costs, etc.).

Pastoral Care: Marta would like to recruit some church members to assist with pastoral care. Mary Anderson and JoAnne Axtell are doing this now.

Grains of Sand & Park Point Breeze: Marta will have Sandy put articles about St. Andrew's Day and Advent in both publications.

As there was no further business to come before today's meeting, we adjourned at 1:00 p.m. Marta closed the meeting with "Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord". (followed by "party on").

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Laundergan, Clerk