

**ST. MARK'S
BISHOP'S COMMITTEE MINUTES
March 19, 2014**

Present: Lorraine Dierick, Jim Campbell, Bonnie Campbell, John Tennefoss, Kevin Varness, and Martha Krug.

Lorraine opened the meeting with a prayer.

The **Bishop's Committee Minutes: Kevin moved to approve the minutes of February 26, 2014. The motion was seconded and carried.**

The **Treasurer's Report:** Jim presented the **Summary of St. Mark's Finances – 3/18/2014, St. Mark's Montesano Finance Report 2014, and the 2014 Operating Bills and Outreach Summary.** Jim reported that cash flow has improved, with fewer expenses in March and more revenue. Approved at the February meeting, \$1,000 was withdrawn from St. Mark's DIF account to help with cash flow. In reviewing St. Mark's bank statements, Jim determined that the \$7,000 deposit to the DIF did not occur due to a postal problem. This money is now back in St. Mark's operating account after being in limbo for 90 days. St. Mark's now has over \$9,000 in checking. All bills are paid current.

Funds Summary – Total is \$33,121.91

- General/Designated Checking Account - \$9,447.86
- General/Designated Savings Account - \$518.63
 - Operating Fund - \$9,966.49
 - Diocesan Investment Fund - \$22,369.18
 - Clergy Discretionary Fund - \$786.24

BUSINESS ITEMS

• **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Event (3/4/2014) -**

Jim reported almost \$1,600 gross proceeds, with expenses higher than the previous year, for a net revenue amount of \$1,238. **Kevin moved to donate \$425 each to the agencies identified at the 3-19-14 meeting: Children's Advocacy Center, Montesano Food Bank, and Coastal Harvest. The motion was seconded and carried.** John reported that the Pancake Day event went very well and Kevin did a great job cooking. Lorraine commented that the ham seemed water logged, thin and dry. John said the number of volunteers was impressive. Jim said that at the Outside Church Walls meeting, our Pancake Day was discussed. Jim reported that several hundred people were served, including utilizing our outside volunteer help. St. Mark's congregation Sunday attendance is 10-15 people. John noted that the information cards on the serving tables were beneficial in soliciting donations.

- **McMeekin Memorial** – Jim reported receiving \$60 in memorial donations for Dorothy McMeekin. There was discussion about the altar and purchasing a free-

standing communion candle in memory of Dorothy. The initial cost will be approximately \$250 depending on the candle options selected. The candle holder itself is \$130.90. Bonnie suggested using an oil candle. **Jim moved to use \$60 in Memorial funds, and the balance out of worship funds, to purchase a free standing communion candle. The motion was seconded and carried.**

- **Easter Season Events** – Palm Sunday Communion Services will be April 13 at 10:00 am; Maundy Thursday Communion Service will be April 17 at 6:30 pm; Good Friday Service on April 18, at 12:00 noon at St. Marks, and the Good Friday Ecumenical Service will be April 18, 7:00 pm at Calvary Chapel.
- **Clergy Conference (April 28-30, 2014 at Alderbrook)** – Jim said we usually pay the registration and dues for St. Mark's clergy to participate, and reservations need to be made by March 28 for Monday and Tuesday nights.
- **Rev. Sarah Monroe's Priest Ordination on April 23 at St. Andrew's, Aberdeen** – Sarah's Ordination will be at 6:00 pm on the 23rd. A large number of clergy may be present. Jim noted that \$1,000 contingent dollars were set aside last year for Sarah's ordination vestments. He anticipates a \$4,000 surplus for 2014. Bonnie said the vestments will be in white and cream fabric. **Kevin moved, based on the previous year's commitment, that up to \$1,000 will be allocated for Sarah's vestments and other support for Sarah at ordination time. The motion was seconded and carried.**
- **Look at Other Improvements and Maintenance** – Potential improvement and maintenance projects were reviewed: water heater and plumbing – Kevin would like to look at the issues; possibly remove the kitchen peninsula; roof cleaning – moss issue; repairs to worship space ceiling – get estimate from Randy Stark; outside painting and cleaning; handrail at front walkway. Jim requested the okay to proceed with the kitchen estimates and retain the \$7,000 to cover improvement expenses. Jim would also like to houseclean upstairs, disposing of stored items no longer needed.
- **Church Computer Operating System** – Jim said the old computer is obsolete and Windows 8 won't work on it. Jim would like to check for a replacement. **Kevin moved to authorize \$500 to purchase a new church computer. The motion was seconded and carried.**
- **Outside Church Walls** – There was one response to the Pancake Day questionnaire, asking what the church could do for our community. It was suggested that this be taken to the ministerial association. Jim suggested that we think about this on our own, pointing out different responses throughout the Diocese. Bonnie noted the Ashes to Go article in the Montesano Vidette.
- **Priest's Report** – Lorraine and Bonnie visited the jail last Sunday as well as Montesano Health and Rehabilitation. Bonnie attended a Lenten Retreat for clergy

which she enjoyed, in addition to the Karen Armstrong presentation at the Seattle Cathedral with good breakout groups.

The next Bishop's Committee meeting will be Wednesday, May 7, at 6:30 pm. The meeting was closed with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Martha Krug,
Bishop's Committee Secretary