

# St. Michael's Bishop Committee Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2024

Present: Kim Bartlett, Marybeth Goree, Mary Louise Kyler (Treasurer), Rosie McCoy, Wendy Reeder, Sue Simmons, Gail Scott (Sr. Warden), Willsie Scott (Jr. Warden), Susan Van Hese  
Absent: Jeanne Ketchum

Pastor Terri called the meeting to order at 8:03am and offered a prayer. Following the prayer Gail asked if there were any changes or edits to the December Bishop Committee meeting minutes, which had been emailed to the committee on Friday, Jan. 12, for review. After a brief in-person review, no edits or changes were made. Susan made the motion to approve the December meeting minutes, Wendy seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Terri asked if there were any changes or additions to the agenda and then added one item: the annual meeting. She then proceeded to go over the annual meeting agenda and details: the congregation will gather in Hart Hall following the 9am service for a covered dish meal. The meeting will take place while people are eating. The agenda includes the annual parish reports from various leaders in the congregation, a Rector's report, a Warden's report, thanking people who have served in the parish over the last year, thanking the outgoing Bishop Committee members (Jeanne Ketchum, MaryBeth Goree, Wendy Reeder), and nominated new members to be elected: Wendy Reeder will run for another term, and Jeremy Scherer will run for his first term. MaryBeth Goree said that she has served on the Bishop's Committee for many years and would like to let someone else serve instead of her. There will be the opportunity for people to be nominated from the floor, if they have agreed to serve or are nominating themselves. Terri will only be at St. Michael's, and will not have to leave to lead worship at Resurrection. Annual reports have been submitted by the wardens, Sunday School leader, Altar Guild, Columbarium and Memorial Garden, Treasurer, and Women of St. Michael's.

Following the discussion about the annual meeting the Bishop's Committee talked about the celebration of new ministry, which has not been scheduled by the Bishop's office. The discussion then continued with plans for Shrove Tuesday pancakes. Resurrection people work too late in the day to make the time that St. Michael's wanted to make and serve pancakes (5pm), so it's been decided that St. Michael's may or may not have pancakes on Shrove Tuesday. Terri will be with Resurrection on Shrove Tuesday because they may have their own pancake supper later, after 6pm, followed by a service for imposition of ashes. Willsie will burn the palms from Pentecost last year for ashes. St. Michael's will have a noon Ash Wednesday service.

The season of Lent will include daily meditations from Living Compass and weekly meditations based on the paintings of Vincent Van Gogh (Salt Project). Holy Week will include Palm Sunday

beginning in the courtyard, Maundy Thursday at 4pm with foot washing, Good Friday at noon, and Easter Day, beginning outside with a blessing of the new cross.

Mary Louise presented the December Treasurer's report, beginning the month with \$25,419.10 and ending the month with \$25,429.62. Various items in the report were the typical monthly expenses, with some additional expenses to replace downspouts around the church. Terri suggested that going forward the church uses 1099's for hired laborers. Gail said that she knows how to do this and will set it up. Kim made the motion to accept the treasurer's report, Rosey seconded it, motion passed.

Mary Louise then walked the Bishop's Committee through the proposed 2024 budget. Anticipated pledge income is up from \$18,000 in 2023 to \$25,500 projected for 2024. Other incomes sources bring the anticipated income to \$51,900.00. Expenses remain steady, but with a full year of expenses for the Vicar. A conversation took place regarding the auto reimbursement for the Vicar. Terri will contact the Bishop and get an addendum from the Bishop clarifying St. Michael's responsibility. The budget as proposed holds a potential deficit with expenses projected to be \$55,070.00 and income projected to be \$51,900.00, for an anticipated deficit of \$3,170.00. Wendy made the motion, Kim seconded the motion to approve the 2024 budget. Motion passed.

Willsie and Gail discussed the property noting that two downspouts have been replaced, with one more that will be replaced in the future.

Gail reported on the Women of St. Michael's noting that the Thrift Store is hoping to expand into the old kitchen area, which where furniture will be placed for sale. In preparation people are sorting and organizing items currently stored in the old daycare buildings. The Thrift Store continues to bring in between \$250 and \$300 each Saturday. Proceeds have been used to purchase altar vestments for the church (white set most recently). Women of St. Michael's donates 30-40 percent of their annual income to local charities and they pay for children and families to attend the diocesan summer camp. Currently the bank account for Women of St. Michael's has a balance of \$17,000.00 Susan mentioned that the UTO ingathering will be in March.

There was no old business and no new business. Meeting adjourned at 8:53 am.