ST. MARK'S BISHOP'S COMMITTEE MINUTES June 20, 2012

Present: Lorraine Dierick, Jim Campbell (via telephone), Bonnie Campbell, Kevin Varness, Mary Venske, and Martha Krug.

Bonnie opened the meeting with a prayer, and prayer needs were shared.

The Bishop's Committee Minutes: Mary moved to approve the minutes of May 16, 2012. The motion was seconded and carried.

The **Treasurer's Report:** Jim presented the **Summary of St. Mark's Finances – 6/17/2012, and the 2012 Operating Bills and Outreach Summary.** Jim reviewed the Summary. Year to date, St. Mark's surplus has grown to \$1,400, and everything is paid and current including supply expenses for the lighting project. Revenue is stationary and hasn't lost ground. There is still over \$3,000 in checking, even after the \$1200 payment for the lighting supplies. Lighting project grants and rebates will even out the cost of the electrician (about \$1100+). Jim expects the DIF (Diocesan Investment Fund) to be down for May and regained for June in expected upward and downward movement of the markets. There are no unusual expenses. St. Mark's (individuals) donated \$629 to the Diocese's Haiti Cathedral project.

Outreach: Kevin noted that everything is paid that we normally pay at this time of the year. Outreach will be revisited in a month or two. Bonnie commented that Camp Victory will have its first boy's camp.

Sarah, St. Mark's seminarian, is trying to write grants and determine the costs for her third year of study. St. Mark's will pay the cost of her medical insurance and one-third of the cost of the required psychological exam.

Kevin acknowledged the very positive financial report. **Martha moved to approve the Financial Report which was seconded and carried.**

Funds Summary—Total is \$21,808.94

- Checking Account—\$3,039.97
- Savings Account—\$518.36
- Memorial Fund--\$985.65
- Diocesan Investment Fund--\$16,604.39
- Clergy Discretionary Fund--\$660.57

BUSINESS ITEMS

Last Month's Activities/Plans for Next Two Months:

 Willapa Spring Region Meeting, at St. John's, Olympia (May 20) – Jim, Lorraine and Bonnie attended this meeting. There was a good turnout and participants were asked to address the \$200,000 shortfall in the Diocesan budget. Jim noted that there were very good comments from the group about priorities.

- **Pentecost Day (May 27)** Kevin was thanked for installing the red drapes for the service. Kevin asked about the spot lights in the Nave, noting that energy efficient spot lights are available. Bonnie said the PUD will work with us on the Nave lighting at a later date.
- Trinity Sunday (June 3) No comment
- Reverend Campbell's Visit (June 10) Reverend Janet Campbell visited St. Mark's to observe the worship service and lead a discussion on liturgy. Campbell will send us a letter, giving her perspective as an outsider. Sharing "Peace" was discussed. Jim sent Reverend Campbell an e-mail thanking her for coming. Kevin suggested sending her a check for expenses. Janet was impressed with the rearranged worship space and all the new and refinished furniture.
- Monte Community Bible Camp (July 9-13) Jim has written a check for St. Mark's cost share (\$220) for the Bible Camp. Bonnie will be there the first two days. The theme is "camping", and Bonnie ordered an inflatable campfire and cute table covers. Kevin will bring a tent and mural.
- **Annual Rummage Sale (August 4)** The sale will be Saturday, August 4, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Bonnie suggested advance notice for the AA groups that meet at St. Mark's. Proceeds will be donated to local community needs.
- **Annual Picnic (August 26)** Kevin commented that holding the "picnic" in Calder Hall with the windows open worked well last year. St. Luke's congregation will be invited.
- **Basket for School Supplies** The first Sunday in August the basket will be put in the sanctuary for school supply donations.
- **Light Replacement for Parish Hall, Kitchen, and Classroom** Bonnie reported that supplies are in, and the electrician will be here next Monday at 8:00 am. She requested an authorization signature on the rebate form. Kevin will dispose of the old lights, recycling some parts. Kevin thanked Bonnie for her work on the project.
- The Church and Social Media Event at D House (May 17) and the Regional Resource Day on Liturgy, at St. John's, Olympia (May 19) Jim reported that both were good events, and he has already made some small changes on St. Mark's web site; more to be done with others' review. Jim and Martha shared information on the event they attended. Jim suggested going

through the material and having a workshop meeting to share information. It was agreed that the August BC meeting would be a good time to do this.

- Information on St. Mark's as a Crisis Shelter Grays Harbor County Emergency Management sent a questionnaire to local churches in order to catalog community resources. Jim said he wants to be clear about St. Mark's role, and he asked someone to review and complete the form. Kevin volunteered to do this.
- Repair/Purchase Vases for Worship Options for refurbishing St. Mark's four brass vases was discussed. Lorraine said that Elaine would like to pay for refurbishing one large vase. She also offered to have more linens made, including the fair linen. Bonnie will get a bid on refurbishing the two small vases and have both large vases refurbished. [See May 16, 2012, BC Minutes, page 2, for funding authorization.]
- **Priest Reports** Lorraine reported that there were no calls for charitable needs. She is concerned that the message machine is not working. Kevin and Corby will check it out. This month there is nothing unusual to report. Montesano Health and Rehabilitation is doing renovations. John has drafted plans for a new organ light and has discussed construction with Bonnie.
- Other Items Jim thanked Kevin for getting the concrete curbs anchored for the rear parking area. The new Eucharist wine choice caused some issues, and it will be replaced. Methods to remove red wine from linens are being checked into.

Lorraine presented information on backpacks for the Grays Harbor Homeless Youth program, which works through school counselors. Anchor Bank is a drop off place for food donations, cash, and volunteers. Kevin suggested that St. Mark's donation basket could include food. Lorraine will gather additional information on this project.

The next Bishop's Committee meeting will be Wednesday, August 15, at 6:30 pm. [There will not be a meeting in July.] The meeting was closed with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Martha Krug, Bishop's Committee Secretary