ST. MARK'S BISHOP'S COMMITTEE MINUTES October 28, 2015

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

Lorraine opened the meeting with a prayer.

The Bishop's Committee Minutes: Kevin moved to approve the minutes of August 19, 2015. The motion was seconded and carried.

The **Treasurer's Report:** Jim presented the **Summary of St. Mark's Finances – 10/25/2015 (last - 9/20/2015), St. Mark's Montesano Finance Report 2015, and the 2015 Operating Bills and Outreach Summary.** Jim reported that the Net Operating Year to Date of \$3,220.74 is well ahead for the year, and he expects a large surplus at the end of the year. All bills are paid current. The DIF (Diocesan Investment Fund) revenue dropped \$900 in two months with a Net Non-Operating Year to Date of \$-996.27. The Clergy Discretional Fund balance is \$416, and funds can be transferred if needed. Jim reviewed the numbers on the Financial Report.

Outreach: Revenue from Blessing of the Pets day was \$168. **Kevin moved to increase the amount to \$200 and donate \$100 each to PAWS and Freedom Tails. The motion was seconded and carried.** Lorraine read a request from St. James requesting a donation to their Community Center. **Kevin moved to donate \$100 to St. James; the motion was seconded and carried.** Reviewing the Outreach balance, Jim noted the balance now stands at \$540, plus a surplus of \$2,750. Kevin noted that costs associated with Chaplins' evening meal averages \$150 total. Meals will be served in November and December. Jim raised the option of putting the surplus away or gifting some of it. Martha suggested discussing this issue with the congregation after church. **Kevin moved to approve the Financial Report, which was seconded and carried.**

Funds Summary – Total is \$29,357.54

- General/Designated Checking Account \$5,360.00
- General/Designated Savings Account \$518.88
 - Operating Fund \$5,878.88
 - Diocesan Investment Fund -\$23,062.14
 - Memorial Fund (part of DIF) \$1,017.91
 - Clergy Discretionary Fund \$416.52

BUSINESS ITEMS

- **Blessing of the Pets** Lorraine reported that it was a good day Elaine brought her two miniature horses to be blessed in the sanctuary.
- **Pre-Convention Meeting** Fifty participants attended the meeting including Bonnie, Jim, Gail, and her daughter Sue. Jim noted that it was a good meeting. Sue is running for Diocesan Council, Willapa Region.
- Halloween at St. Mark's Jim estimated that 250 children came to St. Mark's for treats, and coffee was available for the adults. Kevin's inflatables decorated the church lawn and there were plenty of treats.

- All Saints Day, November 1 Bring photos of those you wish to remember.
- Diocesan Convention, November 13 14. Jim reported that two hotel rooms have been reserved for Gail, Sue, Sarah and Lorraine. Bonnie and Jim have their own accommodations.
- **Yoga Class** Elaine brought up the issue of having a yoga class at St. Mark's. Jim said this is an issue with "for profit deal"; non-profits cannot have for profit groups use their facility, except within some limitations. There could be a way to have this work as part of the ministry of the church. Scheduling would need to be reviewed. Lorraine said that this would be part of St. Mark's hospitality in the community.
- **Priest Report** Bonnie reported that she will serve another three-year term on the Commission on Ministry. She also participates in outreach for the homeless under the Chehalis River Bridge, as well as volunteering with Camp Victory. Lorraine and Bonnie continue to serve with the County jail ministry. Lorraine also delivers the monthly birthday cakes to Montesano Health and Rehabilitation.

The next Bishop's Committee meeting will be Wednesday, December 2, at 6:30 pm. The meeting was closed with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Martha Krug, Bishop's Committee Secretary

Actions to be taken:

- Revise the Diocese Letter of Agreement
- Develop a Kitchen Privileges Form