

Bishop's Committee
Grace Episcopal Church
Monday, April 9, 1984

Senior Warden Merrill Hunter called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

An opening prayer was given by Fr. Wagner.

PRESENT: Merrill Hunter, Lola Boyd, Jim Pearson, George Delay, Kitty Brewer, Janice Johnson, Werner Boyd, Fr. Robert Wagner.

The minutes of the Feb. 27 meeting were read by Clerk Kitty Brewer and were accepted as read.

Treasurer Lola Boyd reported a balance on hand of \$958.64. The report was accepted as read.

Some discussion ensued about the financial situation of the church. The yearly pledges and receipts from the plate offerings total \$6,600.00. If we could add our interest from the diocese from our rectory sale, we could operate adequately. It was decided that we need to get our operating budget in the area of \$9,500.00 to \$12,000.00. This latter should be a primary goal.

The other main goal discussed was to get a more formalized stewardship program underway.

Under new business, motion by Delay and seconded by Pearson that we get the organ repaired. Motion carried.

There followed some discussion on our organist situation. We have an organist, Marilyn Njus, for the period of May 1 to Nov. 1, but the other six months are posing a problem. Fr. Wagner said he will speak not only with Marilyn Njus, but also with some of the other organists who have played for us in the past -- Marcia Wenk, Beverly Hallstrom and Helen Marquardt -- and see if he can begin to resolve this problem.

Motion by Johnson and seconded by Delay to have ECW pay for the piano tuning. Motion carried.

Kitty Brewer is to contact Marvin Todd from Madison Music to give estimates for both the organ repair and piano tuning.

The Rector's Report included his schedule for the next few months. Highlights of the schedule included a noon Good Friday service, a 7:30 a.m. Easter service, and a May 21 baptism and potluck. Fr. Wagner's last service with us, before his summer vacation, will be June 10. He will resume his schedule here on Aug. 5, taking the services on the first and third Sundays.

Fr. Wagner suggested that a priority item for the June vestry meeting will be a tour of the physical plant.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine T. Brewer

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