

BISHOP'S COMMITTEE
GRACE CHURCH
Sept. 19, 1990

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kitty Kringen, Senior Warden; Ruby Stewart, Treasurer; Jan Sanford, Clerk; Fr. Lewis, Fred Stewart,

GUESTS: Dale Kringen, Mildred Rumril.

OLD BUSINESS: There were three additions and corrections to last months minutes. Lawn and walks will be taken care of by Jan Sanford. Lois and Milly are guests. Our meeting date is the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 7pm.

The treasurer's report was accepted as read. Actual giving is up if we took out sound system and loan. Observed that we are where we should be with the Diocesan pledge. A C.D. of \$12,500 was renewed for one year with 8.5% Int. \$10,052.98 in accrued interest from this C.D. was deposited into the operating account. George took care of this for us. Thank You, George.

There is a question about what happens to rectory account interest. It is handled by the Diocesan office and we know it can be used only for capital improvements. Kitty will make a report and get copies to each of us.

Discussion on Fr. Lewis's salary continued. Fr. Lewis suggested that we decide what kind of church we want to be. If we can be happy with what we are, we can be healthier. Then we can look realistically at expectations. The Bishop's Committee decided that per discussion last month and this month, we see Fr. Lewis as a sacramentalist rather than a leader. In as much as Fr. is willing to fulfill that role, he is happy with \$275/month. Fr. volunteered to help us pick music in accordance with liturgy for a whole church season.

Jan will call Janice and Jennifer to get Sunday School organized.

Report on church organist includes 1st Sunday, Ann Weismantel will play and 3rd Sunday, Colleen Tucker will play. Jan will continue the search.

Kitty requested that the minutes should reflect everything that everyone has done in an effort to show appreciation. These include:

George for handling our investments and for mowing the lawn so diligently.

Rex for changing light bulb.

Milly for volunteering to come early to heat the church.

Jan for organizing organist and Sunday school helper.

Anne Breuer for playing the piano on Sundays.

Lay Reader's

Church cleaners

All who contributed to the clean-up fix-up day.

All members and guests who participate in Bishop's Committee meetings.

Alter helpers

All who have given their time, talent, and resources to Grace Church.

Discussion on the centennial celebration . Fr. Lewis informed us that Bishop Anderson is coming in Nov. We decide to hold the festivities when the Bishop could be here. Fr. will put together the service used 100 years ago to include perhaps a history of the church and members past and present. Still considering catered meal. One or two day celebrations has not been decided yet.

NEW BUSINESS: Report on audit by Randy Barnhart, accounting officer of the Diocese. Three recommendations: 1) two people should be help responsible for counting and depositing money; double control. Milly will ask Richard to count the money and enter it in the church register and initial. Then Ruby will deposit. 2) when discretionary funds are dispursed, they should not be written to a name, but to Vicar's discretionary fund. 3) The totals of all the accounts of the church should be recorded on the parochial report.

Bishop's Committee should respond within 30 days. Fr. Lewis composed the letter. Kitty will send it.

The subject of the fund raiser was brought up. We will try to find just how far the search for donors has progressed. Then we will proceed from there with a realistic approach to our discussions.

There was some discussion about placing signs around town. Episcopal Church signs. Fr. Lewis will find out where to order.

Kitty brought some carpet samples for the front steps. She would like to hide the crack. Total cost with instalation will be \$181.88. Jan Sanford moved to purchase and Ruby seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

Jan Sanford suggested that atleast for part of a service once in awhile that we use camp songs.

We need another delegate to convention. Lois is unable to attend.

Remind George Delay that this is his month to clean the church.

We need to see that acolyte vestments are hung up after use.

Next meeting is Oct. 17th at 7pm.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

Jan Sanford, Clerk