

# St Mark's by-the- Lake

## Parish Leadership Team

### Report of a Meeting held on September 9, 2008



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**PRESENT:** Gord Gunnell, Valerie Henley, Kevin George, Mark Charlton, Ed Sears, Brooke White, Amanda Dibbs, Nicky Adams, Bud Piercell, Jane Cornett, Janet Forster Ray Hinton Bob Cooper Jerry Pardy Scott Shields and Lynne Hornby

**REGRETS:** John Anderson, and Mark Hipkins

**ABSENT:** Christie Paulton, Walter Fisher and Dave Goetz

**ERRORS/OMMISSIONS OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

- Date of fall bazaar not noted on page 4 of previous minutes.

**ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:** Adoption of previous minutes moved by Nicky Adams and seconded by Jerry Pardy.

**OPENING DEVOTIONS:**

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**The Treasurers Report**

(Mark Charlton)

**Financial Report for July & August, 2008:**

**Expenses:**

- Advertising costs are for Raising the Roof ground breaking and Cornfest
- Ministry other includes remaining Synod expenses and Gift for Dibbs anniversary
- Office charges are less than planned due to delay in postage expenses
- Outreach budget includes scholarship expense; yet to be paid
- Property expenses are \$628 higher than expected
- Utilities payments were much lower than planned
- Youth spending is zero

**Income:**

- Offerings of \$23,155 are worse than budget by \$4,345; Year to Date of \$100,540 is 2% more than last year
- Correction to May offerings of \$1,500
- Other income is for hall donations and GIC interest; YTD shortfall from budget is due to GST refund delay
- PAC includes proceeds from meat pies, yard sale, Zehrs tapes and coffee hour

**Overall:**

- Operating deficit for the month is \$6,617 year to date is \$29,739
- Bank balance is overdrawn \$3,600 at month end and there are further uncashed cheques of \$4,800 outstanding.

**Raising the Roof:**

- Contributions of \$11,000 were received during the summer bringing the total to \$50,000

**St. Mark's by-the-Lake Church**

Parish Leadership Team report

**2008**

**July & August**

	Month			Year to Date		
	Actual	Budget	Difference	Actual	Budget	Difference
<b>EXPENSES</b>						
Advertising	322	0	(322)	994	600	(394)
Apportionment	5,500	5,500	0	22,000	22,000	0
Bank Charges	22	90	69	124	170	47
Chancel Guild	270	300	30	1,565	1,500	(65)
Ministry - other	1,917	1,660	(257)	8,896	8,485	(411)
Miscellaneous	156	100	(56)	385	400	15
Music Supplies	0	125	125	434	500	66
Office	1,313	1,800	487	7,583	7,400	(183)
Outreach	100	3,833	3,733	3,032	6,333	3,301
Parish Fellowship	46	167	120	551	667	115
Property	2,211	1,583	(628)	12,864	11,193	(1,671)
Rector - benefits	2,118	2,166	48	8,572	8,666	94
Rector - Salary	7,772	7,773	1	31,091	31,092	1
Staff	8,840	8,742	(98)	35,810	35,368	(442)
Utilities	1,855	2,383	529	14,724	14,933	210
Youth Ministry	0	667	666	1,603	2,667	1,063
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>32,442</b>	<b>36,889</b>	<b>4,447</b>	<b>150,228</b>	<b>151,974</b>	<b>1,746</b>
<b>INCOME</b>						
Offerings	23,155	27,500	(4,345)	100,540	112,650	(12,110)
Other Income	1,380	825	555	3,535	6,075	(2,540)
PAC	386	1,133	(748)	9,017	14,733	(5,717)
Special Donations	904	0	904	7,397	0	7,397
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>25,825</b>	<b>29,458</b>	<b>(3,634)</b>	<b>120,489</b>	<b>133,458</b>	<b>(12,970)</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>(6,617)</b>	<b>(7,431)</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>(29,739)</b>	<b>(18,516)</b>	<b>(11,224)</b>

**ADOPTION OF TREASURERS REPORT:** Motioned by Mark Charlton to adopt report.  
 Seconded by Jerry Pardy.

## **Youth Ministry**

**(Jane Cornett)**

- We have been using the Montessori school while under construction. Things are going well. We have classrooms to use which is quite nice.
- We have been using walkie talkies to allow kids to come for Eucharistic prayer. The greeters will call down to the Montessori school to let them know when to come over.
- Sunday school has been starting at 10:15AM.
- Nothing so far has been set up for an infant room. If you need to use a room use Kevin or Valerie's.
- We started Jonah on Sunday. It will be a 6 week theme. Christian Paulton will be coming in to do some drama soon.
- Upcoming:
  - Starfield concert
  - Turkey Dinner – Kids will pitch in to help
  - U2charist- Deanery has 2 buses. 12 so far are going. It will be free. A free collection will be done for the wellness fund.
- During the cold months the older boys will be meeting in the Charlton's basement.
- The next theme is parable Talent. We may be able identify the youths talents for the bazaar.
- Kevin wanted to say that he really appreciates Jane. She has continued grace and patience.

## **Outreach for Justice Committee Report**

**(Ed Sears)**

- Congratulations to Kevin who is now on the Board of Directors for the Aids committee of Windsor.
- There will be an Aids walk in October.
- The Blessing of the Backpacks was a great success.
- We are hoping to have a movie night sometime at the end of September.
- Knickers in a Knot will be November 23<sup>rd</sup> this year.
- Adopt a Senior will be done again this year. Please have gifts in by December 16<sup>th</sup>.
- 10,000 Villages will be here December 14<sup>th</sup> for a Table Sale.
- The committee is hoping to sponsor a family.

## **Diocesan Team**

**(Ray Hinton)**

- Ray was asked to explain the process in which a new Bishop is elected.
- Diocesan Bishop Bruce Howe has retired as of September 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Each of the 13 Deaneries is given nomination forms. They can nominate three qualified candidates. In order to qualify the candidate must be 30years or older and ordained.
  - Should a candidate accept the nomination they must provide a resume which will be distributed at Synod.
  - The provincial houses of Bishops are also asked if they have anyone they wish to nominate for the election. Their choice will be listed at the top.
  - There will be time set aside Saturday October 25<sup>th</sup> to speak to the candidates.
  - Clergy and Lay Representatives will then vote. It takes one day.
- Kevin noted that the Synod is rife with administrators. We need a pastor. He prays for this. We need someone to give us vision.

**Turkey Dinner**

- The turkey dinner will be October 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Janet went in to talk to the K of C about cooking the turkeys' offsite. Religious organizations are exempt from having to cook turkeys' onsite. We have to put a sign up at the hall to state that turkeys were cooked offsite. That will allow us to cook the turkeys and bring them in to the hall.
- We will have full range of the K of C hall on Sunday.
- We will set up for 200 people.
- The cost of the turkey is \$40.00 per turkey which worked out to be about \$1.79/LB.
- The turkeys will be available for volunteers to pick up October 2<sup>nd</sup> in the church parking lot.
- There is a sign up sheet at the pack of the church for people who wish to purchase a turkey or people who wish to cook a turkey.
- Things seem to be a bit easier this year. We do not need to set up for coffee and takeout.
- We have advertised with Shoreline and the Tecumseh Tribune.
- The K of C will have their bar open. We are happy since they will benefit as well with liquor sales.
- We will be cooking the squash and potatoes on Saturday October 4<sup>th</sup> at the K of C hall at 9AM. It will take one day. We are looking for more volunteers.
- Angie Tuovinen donates 40 pies each year. She will come in Saturday to cook these.

**Fall Bazaar**

- We did not have a good response at the last PAC meeting. People are concerned about storage.
- Angie Tuovinen suggested selling apple pies this year.
- 15 people attended the meeting.
- 13 out of 15 people voted not to have a fall bazaar this year due to space and lack of volunteers.
- Kevin stated that in actuality the Parish Leadership Team is the body that is responsible to make the decision of whether we are to have a fall bazaar or not. We are going to go as planned. We rely on the income for our yearly budget.
- We can try to do things differently. People's anxiety is real and he respects that. We just do not want to end our fall bazaar this year.
- Brooke White also stated that we do not want to lose community involvement. If we do not have it this year we may lose people for next year's bazaar.
- A concern is that it is always the same people who volunteer for the bazaar and they are looking for more help.
- Kevin stated we will need to recruit new volunteers. If we ask new people to get involved they will. St. Mark's by-the-Lake is good for that. Keep in mind that with new people brings new ideas. We need to be accepting to what they bring to the table.
- Nicky Adams suggested we increase our bake sales. We agreed that this is a good idea.
- Hettie Cornett will be making Christmas puddings once again.
- When Kevin asked Janet if the people involved in the bazaar will be receptive to new people and ideas she said yes.
- Kevin will ask the congregation for more volunteers and ideas on Sunday.
- There will be another PAC Meeting on Tuesday October 16<sup>th</sup> to discuss the Bazaar. We will have this at Marcotte Funeral Home.
- Meat pies are postponed until further notice.

## **Wardens Report**

**(Scott Shields)**

- There has been a meeting to discuss the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Celebrity Auction and BBQ which is held this year on October 17<sup>th</sup>.
- We will be using the K of C Hall in Tecumseh this year.
- Kevin has spoken to Tony Doucette to see if he knows a guest speaker for this year's event. He has already suggested a couple of people who are fantastic speakers.
- The guest speaker should be finalized in the next couple of weeks.

## **The Rectors Report**

**(Kevin George)**

- Bob Cooper and Jerry Pardy have gone into the hall to salvage any building materials we may need or can use.
- We applied for the building permit last Tuesday. The permit will be here soon. The cost was \$8900.00 which works out to be about .13cents per square foot and \$3.00 per square foot/non-industrial.
- The Church is being evaluated for the next phase of construction. We will need another permit for this phase. We will talk to the town council to see if there is something they can do to reduce the cost of the permit.
- Please tell people that things have started.
- Fausto Volpatti wants to try to get things done quickly before the cold weather comes in.
- This years Golf Tournament was a success. Thanks to John and Micki Blair, Bud and Suzanne Piercell and John and Jean Anderson for all their efforts.
- Kevin and Catherinanne went away to Newfoundland for their vacation.
- Your continued prayers are appreciated.
- Please pray for my sister Helen. Her father-in-law has passed away. Pray in the midst of these transitions.
- Today at Oxley he attended a clergy retreat. (Kevin's last clergy retreat was during 9 11) They discussed how they could be better servant. Kevin is pleased to say things went very well as they broke off in small groups. The Retreat was lead by Captain's Stephen and Erika White of the Salvation Army.
- The final count for the blessing of the backpacks is 72. Amanda Dibbs will start distributing at her school as well as neighbouring schools.
- Instead of handing out the backpacks they do it as a draw. They get names from staff and some of the parents of the kids who need backpacks. We then use their names as winners of the draw.
- It is incredible to see their faces. They are so happy and do not feel centered out.

## **Motion**

Janet Forster motioned that the meeting adjourn. This was seconded by Jerry Pardy.

## **Motion Carried**

## **Closing Prayer**

## **Meeting Adjourned.**