

Faith Church Bishops Committee Minutes
July 18, 2015

Present: Sarah Forhan, Pat Henking, Jane Howard, Therese Wright, John Hodge, Stephanie Holdgate, Dawn MacKechnie, Bob Hughes

No major news

Nancy Jamrog-Couret is having her other knee replaced on Tuesday.
John Apert will be playing next week.

Wednesday night "service" at Watson Park makes Pat feel filled.

Therese is away July 26-August 2

Lise and Pat and Jane went to the police dept's presentation on heroin. It was very sad. Safeguard is a program currently at the high school. Meets once a month at St. James. Jane and Pat hope to go to the next meeting. The police are frustrated at the lack of services in New Hampshire.

Pat on vacation in August.

Still trying to do vacation bible school last week in August.

General convention –a lot of people discussing this. The Episcopal Church's General Convention made history June 27 when it chose Diocese of North Carolina Bishop Michael Curry to be its 27th presiding bishop. Look into this for the newsletter.

Minutes

Corrections made to the minutes: Sarah Forhan is not Susan Foreman. Bob is second liason to Wheeler Chapel Trust for reports and stuff. Hupper clan not Huffer clan. Spell out volunteer needs for Fourth of July. Ron Moore has two o's. Minutes accepted as corrected.

Bedford

Nothing has been done yet. Except talking.

Treasurer's Report

Still confused about which check needs to go into Vicars Discretionary Fund.

Pat and Nancy were paid for July. The Pension was paid and the IRS paid as well. IRS website has two years history on it, which is good. Back page shows what's due but everything is current except Fair Share. Current balance is actually \$429.00.

\$204 in Altar Funds which are dedicated and can't be spent on anything else. If we knew who the donor was we could ask that it be spent on something else. "Take faith that next month will provide for itself."

Lise is paid for the entire year at once.

Wheeler Chapel paid Eversource. Pete can change it back- but no decision has been made on that.

It was remarked that the budget needs to be done on a monthly basis. This is not the same as the report to the Bishop's committee, which can be done as of the scheduled meeting date. Treasurer's report should say July not June.

Sarah has set up month by month reports of the actual income bills and payments. Done with Quick books, each month does stand on its own. Add footer explaining the difference between meeting reports and monthly reports.

Financial contributions should be as anonymous as possible.
Treasurer's report accepted.

Preparation for Review

Sarah has done a lot of prep work for this meeting. Had documents all set up by month. With bank statements and spreadsheet that Chris does. Matched with banks statement. No names on the pledges.

The diocese has scheduled a meeting for July 20th Monday to audit the books. This was probably triggered by our application for a reduction in fair share. Gloria Gallant said we just rose to top of the list. Probably Kevin Nichols pushed it up there after our recent meeting with the Bishop and him. National canon law requires formal audit annually. The Diocese provides this free of charge but not actually on a timely basis.

We need minutes from last couple of annual meetings which Bob will provide.
We need to revisit whether annual meeting requires us to repay the money we withdraw from the Solomon Fund.

Plate, donation, UTO and pledge were all combined into one category. This is confusing and will attempt to split this out in the future.

Wheeler Players- Tom Anastasi was put under Wheeler Chapel. This is a mistake. Basically Tom uses the church to run his plays. This may end up being part of Fair Share. Originally more active in terms of our church, lots of church members in the casts. If we decided not to continue this, it would put Wheeler Players out of existence. Normally every program has a picture of the Chapel and has service times.

Sarah will make the corrections.

We have been requesting our annual review since 2011.

Purpose of meeting: Wardens, vicar and treasurer. Audit of 2014 books. Want to make sure that we know what's going in and coming out.

Question exists as to whether or not we are required to repay money to Solomon Fund. If we received an unexpected bequest we may be obligated to pay it back into that fund.

Wheeler Chapel Trust

Our lease is up for renewal. WCT had no issue with changes we requested. Only remaining issue is the telephone. If it's the church's decision we don't have one. We will get the phone fixed first and then decide. We also need to check with the insurance and the trust. The phone number on the web page is 6806 which is Pat's number. Stephanie said she would call to get the phone fixed. Pat will check with insurance company and with the Trust about our responsibilities.

Dawn reports the chapel trustees are aware of the crack in ceiling and it is under warranty

Fund Raising

Yard sale: Labor Day weekend Sept 5th

Sue LeSeuer is interested in sewing an advent set of altar cloths. May use the money in the altar account.

The Wheeler Players need to go under future fund raising discussions.

Next meeting will be Saturday Sept 26th.

Oct 6th is the mission resources committee meeting to discuss fair share. Probably only need responsible people there.

Mission money is available to do outreach for Bedford/Merrimack.

Adjourn

Bob Hughes
Secretary

October 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Remigius, Bishop	2	3
4 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 22	5	6 William Tyndale, Priest	7	8	9 Robert Grosseteste, Bishop	10 Vida Duncan Scudder, Educator and Witness for Peace
11 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 23	12	13	14 Samuel Isaac Joseph Schereschewsky, Bishop	15 Teresa of Avila, Nun	16 Latimer, Ridley, and Cranmer	17 Ignatius, Bishop and Martyr
18 Twenty First Sunday after Pentecost Proper 24	19 St Luke, Evangelist <small>(transferred)</small>	20	21	22	23 St James of Jerusalem	24
25 Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost Proper 25	26 Alfred the Great	27	28 St Simon & St Jude, Apostles	29 James Hannington, Bishop, and his Companions	30	31 Vigil of All Saints <small>(White for vigil)</small>

November 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 All Saints	2 Commemoration of All Faithful Departed	3 Richard Hooker, Priest	4	5	6 William Temple, Archbishop	7 Willibrord, Archbishop
8 Twenty Fourth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 27	9	10 Leo the Great, Bishop	11 Martin, Bishop of Tours	12 Charles Simeon, Priest	13	14 Consecration of Samuel Seabury
15 Twenty Fifth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 28	16 Margaret, Queen of Scotland	17 Hugh, Bishop of Lincoln	18 Hilda, Abbess of Whitby	19 Elizabeth, Princess of Hungary	20 Edmund, King of East Anglia	21
22 Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King	23 Clement, Bishop	24	25 James Otis Sargent Huntington, Priest and Monk	26 Thanksgiving Day	27	28 Kamehameha and Emma
29 First Sunday of Advent	30 St Andrew, Apostle					

December 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Nicholas Ferrar, Deacon	2 Channing Moore Williams, Missionary Bishop	3	4 John of Damascus	5 Clement of Alexandria, Priest
6 Second Sunday of Advent	7 Ambrose, Bishop	8	9	10	11	12
13 Third Sunday of Advent	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 Fourth Sunday of Advent	21 St Thomas, Apostle	22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day Christmas I Christmas II Christmas III	26 St Stephen, Deacon and Martyr
27 First Sunday after Christmas	28 St John, Apostle and Evangelist <small>(transferred)</small>	29 Holy Innocents <small>(transferred)</small>	30 Francis Joseph Gaudet, Educator and Prison Reformer	31		