

All Saints' Cathedral

818 E. Juneau Avenue

Milwaukee, WI 53202

Chapter Meeting Minutes

June 26, 2008

Present: Bruce Bauer, Marcia Brooks, Sue Cornell, Mary Kaems, Ted Kaems, Joe Nelson, Christine Reynolds, John Bendler, Warren Raasch

Absent: Waring, Kopitzke, Thorson, **Momon (corrected)**

The meeting commenced at 6:35 p.m. with a prayer led by Dean Raasch.

The minutes for 5.22.08 were unanimously approved with no corrections.

May Financial Report ~ John Bendler, Dean Raasch

Although the statement shows a small positive balance, cash flow is in fact behind. Treasurer John Bendler is holding bills. The Cathedral was actually about \$7,000 or so in arrear in the period, primarily due to two payments owed to the Diocese (one payment was made this week).

The May financial report was unanimously accepted.

A subset of the Finance Committee met on 6.25 to address the Treasurer's work load, which all agree is too heavy. At the start of August, a transition will begin: John Bendler will be responsible for Sunday teller duties and deposits, and will issue parishioner pledge statements. Mark Robertson and Michael Stave will henceforth handle bill payment and recordkeeping. Christy Kopitzke will train them on the ASC system.

Chris Reynolds has tellers under control. Jack Hughes, John Keene, and Carol Ketter will serve as non-Chapter tellers.

Dean's Report ~ Dean Raasch

Dean Raasch plans a couple of brief summer vacations: 6.27 ~ 7.2; 7.21 ~ 7.24. Tom Winslow will celebrate 6.28 and David Pfaff on 7.20.

Tom Ackerman will celebrate 7.6 (Dean Raasch will be present and will preach),

A congregation exchange is planned for Sundays July 13 & 20 with St. Paul's. St. Paul's will host All Saints' on the thirteenth at its 10:15 a.m. We in turn, will host St. Paul's at our July 20 10 a.m. Eucharist and also invite their parishioners to join us for the parish picnic afterward. The exchange will not affect each parish's early services. The goal is to build ties with our Episcopalian brethren.

On Saturday, July 19, ten or twelve people from St. John's in Wilderness in Elkhorn will join us for Morning Prayer. Christine Reynolds & Marcia Brooks will provide morning treats for our guests.

Aug 20 ~ Joint service with St. John's Cathedral to celebrate 25th anniversary of the covenant between the two dioceses. The covenant will be amended and lay leaders will re-sign the covenant. Reception afterward hosted by St. Johns, but ASC Hospitality Committee is asked to contribute.

Aug 10 at 10 a.m. Eucharist ~ Amy Hudson/Jamie Reynolds wedding and reception to follow the service is planned. JOY!

Aug. 17 ~ A special Eucharist is planned to honor 120 years of marriage for the Kaems, Raaschs, Savoriases, and Radtkes, all married at All Saints' in 1978. The four couples will renew their vows at the 10 a.m. Eucharist.

Wardens Report

Bruce Bauer, Senior Warden

Christy Kopitzke is researching a link to Amazon which can produce commission income for purchases made by clicking through from the ASC website. Chapter will decide whether to go ahead. Concerns were expressed about support of local vendors and potential embarrassment over orders.

The kitchen is in need of deep cleaning. Bruce proposes a cleaning day. Under-counter dishwasher disuse led to need for costly service. The unit is now being used more regularly and is a more sanitary solution to kitchen dishes etc.

Fred Kaems, Junior Warden

The condition and appearance of the Garth is improving after winter damage. Roses have been planted in the Kaems Memorial Garden. The lawn is respectable, if not perfect. A few small repairs are needed to walls.

Adult Formation Report

The Adult Formation Committee will meet again soon. At an earlier meeting, it was suggested that a new Bible study be formed to start in September. Also discussed was establishing a once per month event paralleling Cathedral Institute to be of a more spiritual nature. The introduction of a Taizé service is under consideration. It was noted that college students and other young people are attracted to the Taizé format.

Book Sale, ~ Sue Cornell

Student workers are to start next week. Volunteers are now sorting to prepare for pricing. Young volunteers (teens) are also helping out. Odell is back to volunteer and is again proving invaluable.

Communications

East Town Association will include event flyers in their materials, but not the general brochure. Lynn is developing a brochure for the Harley blessing on July 30. It was also suggested that a handout for the Animal Blessing Oct. 4 be prepared. The Cathedral has now joined the Brady Street Association and can therefore place ads in the BSA newsletter.

Evangelism

Dean Raasch reported that he is working with the Shepherds subcommittee to beef up their ranks. More than one shepherd is needed on Sunday to greet and guide visitors/newcomers to coffee. The Dean invited seven or eight to join, and five have responded affirmatively. They will be trained by the Dean and current shepherds. Ushers will also be trained to use their role to realize their potential for evangelism. More ushers are also needed.

The Dean and Bruce Bauer have been talking about how to reach out to MSOE.

The first East Town Market outing went well. We need to hone our appeal, focusing more on our ministries and the appeal of the ASC community. Parishioners are volunteering to man the booth, but young families with children would be especially welcome to demonstrate All Saints' commitment to family life and Christian education.

Fellowship

The rummage sale netted about \$550. July 3 cookie sale is coming up. Michaelmas Faire will be 9.27 from 10 – 4 (no rain date ~ will set up inside if necessary). Alec Kopitzke is chair of organizing committee. Ancient Morning Prayer will be held in church and the Faire will conclude with ancient Evening Prayer. The goal is to sell items that could have been sold in Medieval times. Costumed characters are needed to sign up. Vendors will pay \$10 for table space. The Cathedral will make its money on food. The Faire committee will develop a budget projection for review by the Chapter.

Hospitality

Liz Kohlbeck's written report was circulated (see attached)

Liturgy/Music

Compline services are coming up July 11 and August 15. Sept. 14 booked at St. Joseph's Chapel at Sisters of St. Francis. 2 –5. Close with Evensong.

Canon Kucharski has found an 18 year old organ scholar through UWM and Martha Stiehl. He will sing with the choir and learn the liturgical role of an organist. He will be paid with funds out of Clara Moon Webb fund. Canon Kucharski hopes this will lead to student organ competition with American Guild of Organists.

Outreach

Christine Reynolds said that there was no news from the committee.

Sunday School

Dean Raasch reported that Sunday school will continue through summer with parent volunteers. Want to start middle school youth group, poss. with near congs. Aim to incorporate more kids as acolytes.

Other Business

The Chapter sang "Happy Birthday" to John Bendler who turned 29 for an undisclosed number of times...

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Next meeting: Thurs. August 7 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Brooks