

# **Meeting Minutes** Sunday, March 23, 2025

President, Trudi S. called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm with the opening prayer, "O Heavenly King." There were 17 members present. Fr. Chris was in attendance.

## Secretary's Report

The January Secretary's report was presented in hard copy. Val Fall made a motion to accept the Secretary's report. Seconded by Lynnae Nehring. Motion carried.

## **Treasurer's Report**

# Checking Account:

Months	Additions	Expenses	Ending Balance
January & February	\$255	\$866.96	\$8478.68

### Savings Account (Capital Improvement):

Months	Additions	Withdrawals	Ending Balance
January & February	\$1.34	-	\$7887.70

Ella Anderson made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Seconded by Paula McDaniels. Motion carried.

### **Pastor's Report:**

- † Bev Kistner will post the sign-up sheets for Pascha flowers and memorial/honorary flowers on Wednesday, March 23, 2025.
- † The Fieldbinder family will be Chrismated on Palm Sunday (April 13, 2025). We can also pray for Lauren, who is expecting another baby. They will be in our prayers.
- † The Cleaning Days will be on Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup> (beginning at 9 am) and Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> (beginning at 8:30 am, with a Sisterhood meeting at noon, bring a lunch)

Val Fall made a motion to accept the Secretary's report. Seconded by Lynnae Nehring. Motion carried.

### **Council Rep. Report:**

- † Tom Moriak (Cemetery Committee) will be servicing the mower for the cemetery.
- † We have welcomed the Kearney family from St Justin the Martyr parish, in Jacksonville, Florida. David, Sarah and their four sons live in Eau Claire, where Sarah grew up. Their priest in Florida, was a good friend of Father Chris' at seminary. What a wonderful gift from God!
- † The second Pre-Sanctified Liturgy was very well attended. The meal proceeds were collected for the Hustad family and yielded \$762. We love them and hope it will help.
- † The standard operating procedures for communion have been updated. The order will go as follows: wine servers, choir, remaining parishioners. The wine servers will go to their places, and one will hand out one piece of bread per person. The choir is going first so they can move together as one group and not get caught in a traffic jam in the vestibule. This will also allow for the rest of the parishioners to find their way back to their seats, rather than gathering in the vestibule. The Eucharist is the "climax" of the service and should be treated with reverence and respect. Everyone should be going back to the choir, their seat, Sunday School, or wherever they need to go. We should not be gathering in the vestibule while the service is in progress, unless we are the service.
- † The Council signed a contract with Plunkett's. Jake found mice in the towel drawer. It has been said that Plunkett's has caught many mice since then.
- † An earlier Paschal Matins start time was proposed to the Council. The reason was to make it more user-friendly for our aged population. This was denied. When brought up at the Sisterhood meeting and proposed to our members, there was much discussion and interest. The reasons in support of moving the time up included

making it easier on children, including our aged population, and making it easier on ourselves and especially those who drive over an hour to church. We did wonder when we would make our basket, however. We decided that we will bring this up the annual meeting.

- † The Youth Fund has its own account, containing \$900. The account will be closed and rolled into another account as a line item. Father Chris encouraged everyone to have their kids apply for a scholarship.
- † There was a brief discussion about adding on to the church.
- † The Pre-Paschal Work Day will be held on Saturday, March 29<sup>th.</sup> The back-up day will be on Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, if it rains.

Lynnae Nehring made a motion to accept the Council Rep's report. Seconded by Helen Falkenthal. Motion carried.

#### **Old Business:**

- † Trudi Seibel read a Thank You card from Sherry Ketz. Maisy Seibel put it on the bulletin board.
- † We continued our Lenten donation tradition of sending \$100 each to: St. Vladimir's, St. Tikhon's, St. Herman's Seminaries

#### **New Business:**

- † Trudi Seibel asked Stacie Moriak and Val Fall how the new Sunday School schedule was going, and both said it was working out well.
- † Treasurer, Sue Dzubay proposed that we move most of our money into Savings, where we get a better return, and she thinks reporting the savings quarterly makes more sense since sometimes there isn't information or very much to report.

Kris Minor made a motion to accept the proposal. Seconded by Stacie Moriak. Motion carried.

- † Val Fall asked if anyone was interested in Evelyn's church cleaning position. It is every other week. If interested, contact Trudi Seibel.
- † Julie White handed out copies of the updated directory. If there are any changes that need to be made, let Julie know.

- † Mary McDaniels raised a concern brought to her by a parishioner, who was concerned about the safety of our older members during Coffee Hour when the kids run back and forth through areas with hot coffee. This raised some other concerns about kids running around in the church or being in the church while we are not having liturgy, simply because it is such a sacred space. Fr. Chris said the church issue has been addressed. However, a few solutions were proposed such as: Stacie Moriak said she would donate a swing set, Val Fall said that they encourage the kids to use walking feet and inside voices during Sunday School and that we should do the same. Mary McDaniels asked if we were able to add on to St. Michael's Hall without fixing the sewer. This could be an option for additional Sunday School/recreation space.
- † Mary McDaniels reminded everyone of the webinar, "Women Sharing the Good News", taking place that evening. It is a presentation by four women who preach in the church and a panel discussion. She passed out a few flyers to some people who were interested.
- † Mary McDaniels proposed an idea that she and Debbie Cuper had, to have a Picnic at Reeve Park. The idea was to bring back some of the nostalgia of our Church Picnic. The proposal included grilling hot dogs, bringing a dish to pass, board games, live music by our talented parishioners, etc. The consensus was that Reeve Park no longer provides the same amenities and that the event would be better at the church. We will re-visit this at our next meeting.
- † Helen Falkenthal said we need a new coffee pot. Mary Sue Moskal said all four coffee pots need to be replaced. Trudi Seibel will be purchasing the new coffee pots.

Helen Falkenthal made a motion to purchase four new coffee pots. Seconded by Mary Sue Moskal. Motion carried.

† Ella Anderson would like a new cabinet that could go against west wall by the stairs, across from the bookstore, and move the current case to St. Michael's Hall. She also said people have been putting IOUs in the cash box. She would like to establish some rules about who can access the cash box and the key to the case.

Mary McDaniels made a motion move forward with purchasing a cabinet and moving the current case, as well as establishing rules around the cash box. Seconded by Lynnae Nehring. Motion carried.

Next meeting: Saturday, April 12, 2025, at 12 pm

Mary McDaniels made a motion to adjourn at 1:10 PM. Seconded by Adrianna Crotteau. Motion carried. Closing Prayer, "It is Truly Meet."

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary McDaniels