

**Meeting Worship Committee, OVUC**  
**Tuesday, March 1st, 2016**

1. **Call to Order** – Rev. Ivan Norton called the meeting to order at 7:05
2. **Lighting of the Christ Candle and Devotions** – Rev. Ivan lit the Christ Candle and led devotions
3. **Roll Call & regrets** – Present: Ken Hassell, Thea Burton, Judy Norton, Rev. Ivan Norton, Kathy Schofield, Marion Buchan, Cynthia Bruce – Regrets: Carolyn Bishop, Dave Murphy, Peggy Spicer, Peter Dekker
4. **Approval of minutes, Regular meeting February 2, 2016** – Minutes were approved by consensus
5. **Correspondence** – none was received
6. **Approval of Agenda** – The agenda was approved by consensus with two additions under new business – membership and bulletins
7. **Business Arising from the Minutes**
  - a. Seniors services – March 3 at Greenwich Shannex, March 9 Kentville Shannex, March 13, Kings Riverside Court, and March 23 Wolfville Elms and Nursing Home. The service at Greenwich will be a communion service. Since the beginning of the year all homes have been offered a communion service.
  - b. Funeral policy update – Rev. Ivan indicated he had spoken with Council about both wedding and funeral policies. He spoke of the policies being extremely rule-oriented. He would like to significantly re-write these policies so that they may be reframed as opportunities for ministry. We want to take our time and do this thoughtfully and take time to interpret, so this re-writing will be undertaken over a period of months.
  - c. Changing of the Guard suggestion for new members – We discussed this and thought of approaching Debbie Mailman, Betty Rockwell, Helen Gill, Meg Townsend, Margaret Hayes, Scott Sweatman, Mark Pound. Cynthia will communicate these names to the Nominating Committee.
  - d. Child care during worship – The noise levels that we had been experiencing from toys seems to have improved. It is something we continue to monitor.
  - e. Lent and Easter Services at OVUC – Thea is requesting that the children be involved on Palm Sunday leading the congregation in singing Hosanna during the parade of the palms. The committee felt this was a fabulous idea. Judy has a service planned entitled Come to the Waters. Maundy Thursday will be pot luck before the service (5:30 for 6:00 with the service at 6:45). Good Friday, we have planned an evening service. Sadly this conflicts with the Kentville Inter-Church service. We discussed the importance of communicating with them to indicate that we would like to participate in future, but it would be helpful if the timing were consistent from year to year. Ivan will communicate this verbally. Good Friday service will be song and scripture and symbolic action. Easter Sunday sunrise service - we need to find someone who will light the fire, perhaps Gary Dunfield.

Thea will participate in leading music and perhaps ask Shelly Moore Dunfield to bring her guitar. There will be communion at this service. Cheryl Manzer is organizing a pancake breakfast between the two services. At 11:00 there will be communion with servers rather than having people come up. Judy also shared with the committee that the children would be leading a service on the Sunday after Easter.

- f. Communion Servers – Kathy will arrange for six servers for 11:00 on Easter Sunday morning.
- g. Wedding Costs review – we discussed this in the funeral policy section, see above.
- h. Pulpit Supply, March 13<sup>th</sup> – Rev. Ivan and Judy will be away on March 13. Bill MacLeod has agreed to lead both services on that Sunday.

## 8. New Business

- a. World Day of Prayer Service, OVUC, March 4<sup>th</sup> – The service is at 2:00. Nancy Handrigan is leading music for this service.
- b. Nomination of new Committee Chair – Tabled until the next meeting while a couple of members take some time to consider it.
- c. Membership – **Motion: to receive the following members on Palm Sunday -** Trish Williamson by baptism and confirmation, John and Linda Foote, Buzz and Barb Hine, Sandra Tremblett, and Shirley Douglas by transfer of membership; and to remove from our roll the following people per their request - Brian and Nadine Fitzgerald, Barbara Buchanan, and Pauline Woodworth.  
**Moved/Seconded** Thea/Cynthia/Carried
- d. Bulletins – When we amalgamated, there was a healthy stock of bulletins. However, by the end of the year the supply will be low. The bulletins are either \$6.50 or \$6.99 for 50 bulletins. It is possible to have a cover designed and printed on legal size paper that we could use on an ongoing basis. We could also order some from national office for special services. If we were to design our own cover, we could print the minute for mission on the back of each. We could decide that we order bulletins for special/communion Sundays. We agreed that we would discuss this in the next worship meeting to decide how we want to proceed. We may want to involve the children in designing a cover. We have also talked about seasonal designs.
- e. Comments from the pews/clergy – None

9. **Next meeting**, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016

10. **Closing Prayer**: led by Judy Norton

11. **Motion to Adjourn**: Thea/Cynthia/Carried