

Regional Ministry Council Meeting

Saturday, September 10, 2022; 10:00 a.m.

St George's, Hastings

Minutes

Present: Helen Lee, Ann Chambers, Shirley Warr, Brad Smith, Max Dionisio, Larry Ricciardelli, Reg Gordon, Russ Pollock

1. Opening Prayer

Max opened with prayer at 10:10 and was introduced to the Council members.

2. Final arrangements for September 25th liturgy and supper

- Numbers returned: approximately 70
- Food arrangements: Christ Church will bring meats, St George's will do buns and butter, tea and coffee, condiments. Roseneath is doing the "fixings". Belmont is bringing two sheet cakes. Peterborough folks will each bring a salad for 7-10 people. We are planning for now for about 60-70 people.
- Bulletin – Drew will print the order of service
- Encourage carpooling; Stu will take care of marshalling parking
- No offering
- Invite Regional Dean Gloria Master for the service (we already know there are no bishops coming and Janet Marshall said she would come)
- Who will be in choir? Invite members from all congregations who wish to sing.

3. Enquiry from St Thomas's, Millbrook

The Regional Council is supportive of St Thomas's joining in. Brad will relate this to Rev. Rob Ross who can then have the conversation with his people. We will also extend the invitation for the September 25th liturgy and supper to St Thomas' through Rob.

4. Regional Council Ministry Area Representatives

- Need a list of outreach coordinators from each parish/congregation
- Need a list of retirement/nursing homes in our area where we have/need Anglican presence, and where there are Anglican parishioners
- Get info out to activity directors about online offerings
- Possibility of bringing people housebound or in retirement homes to special worship and tea at one or more of our churches

5. Event Calendar

People will send Brad events to be included on the regional ministry website.

6. Other Business

- a. Larry asked about interfaith/ecumenical initiatives. Are they local or regional? Depends on context. More to follow on this once we get our ministry priorities more established.
- b. Bryce is on vacation 17-27 Oct – Steve Smith is covering for pastoral care and 23rd liturgy. Bryce will also be away 21 Nov-1 Dec incl. 1st Sunday of Advent

7. Next meetings

- Saturday, October 29th, 10:00 a.m., St George's, Hastings
- Tuesday, December 6th, 1:30 p.m., location TBD

8. Closing Prayer and Adjournment

The meeting closed with the Grace at 11:35.

Items for Future Consideration by Regional Council

- Cost sharing formula for common expenses, e.g. clergy
- Work on standardizing financial statements
- Opportunities for shared worship and fellowship
- Opportunities for regional initiatives in ministry areas
- Name of the Regional Ministry