

The Standing Committee met on May 26 and began with prayer offered by the Rev. Seth Wymer. Members reflected together on the diocesan vision before engaging in a continued Bible study on Luke 18:1-8 led by the Rev. Bridget Coffey.

The committee approved the April meeting minutes and voted to approve St. Timothy's Perrysburg's request to sell kitchen equipment to the Timothy's Perrysburg Foundation following additional legal review by the Chancellor. The committee also expressed appreciation for ongoing conversations with St. Timothy's leadership and looks forward to meeting onsite in Perrysburg in September.

During the Bishop's time, updates were shared about the recent Basecamp 5 upgrade, plans to launch a public search for the Canon for Operations, and anticipation for the upcoming regional gathering, which is expected to include approximately 40 confirmations. The committee also celebrated the news that Canon Jessie is expecting a baby in late October.

The Standing Committee entered executive session briefly before voting to consent to the episcopal elections of Adam J. Shoemaker as Bishop of Long Island and Elizabeth Berman as Bishop of Hawai'i. The committee also acknowledged receipt of removals and accords.

Members discussed insights from the newly formed Standing Committee President Network, including plans to review the Bishop's letter of agreement in light of shared best practices from across the church.

The committee will begin a summer book study on Embracing the Mixed Ecology by Dwight J. Zscheile and Blair A. Pogue during its July meeting.

The Standing Committee's June meeting will be held at Ship to Shore Books and Records, a ministry of Church of the Redeemer, Lorain.

The meeting concluded with prayer offered by the Rev. Bridget Coffey and was adjourned.

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