## Minutes of the Standing Committee February 2, 2021

Present: Anthony Alexander, Veronica Chappell+, Drew Dorgan, Laura Gottfried-Letsche, Kate Harrigan+, Kathy Hettinga, Eric Hillegas+, Michael Nailor+, Nicolette Norris, Jeff Packard+, +Audrey Scanlan, Greg Welin+, and John Wolgemuth

Absent: None

Opening Reflections: Eric presented a meditation on hope and fear including Mark 4-5.

Forms were submitted to the national church to approve Bishops-elect proposed to us.

Kate led us through our interview with Kevin Barron prior to his ordination as a deacon in our diocese. Michael moved and Kate seconded to advance Kevin. Motion passed unanimously. Kevin returned to the meeting to receive feedback.

Michael led the committee through our interview with Bradley Mattson prior to his candidacy for ordained ministry. Kate moved and Anthony seconded to advance Bradley to candidacy. Motion passed unanimously. Bradley returned to the meeting to receive feedback.

Standing Time with our Bishop:

- A meeting is planned this week between representatives of the Standing Committee of our diocese and the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Bethlehem. Our representatives asked us:
  - What is the temperature in our diocese about the need for such partnership between dioceses?
  - What does the news of conversation between dioceses invoke in you personally?

Friday, March 5 1-3 pm is our next Leadership Retreat. Details to follow.

Closing prayer: Audrey

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 2 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom.