

**Fall  
2022**



*Prayer and Service for the Spread of Christ's Kingdom*

**Diocese  
of  
Central  
Pennsylvania  
  
Daughters  
of  
the  
King  
  
Assembly**



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# Letter from our President

## A Moment of Stillness in a Chaotic World

As I watched the pageantry and solemnness surrounding the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, I was reminded of my mother's fascination with the queen and the parallels of their lives. Being born in the 1920s, both lived through the same time periods and both gave birth to children in November 1948. Although Mother lived her common life in Philadelphia, in her mind she related to the queen in a special way because of her British heritage and her membership in the Anglican Communion. Common or royal, both women lived century-long, productive lives of selfless commitment to God, duty and family, and both lives were touched by war, grief, sadness and joy.

In addition to the rainbow reported over London just after Her Majesty's death, I was profoundly struck by four things watching Queen Elizabeth's funeral. First, the people in attendance at Westminster Abbey were utterly quiet and still. As the camera panned over the congregation before the service, I observed no fidgeting, no rustling of programs, no conversation, no movement, and no sound. All this was reminiscent of a time gone-by when quiet was expected when entering a sacred space. Seeing thousands of people sitting together in profound silence in a time when noise is all around was literally stunning.

Second, that relentless beating of the drums as the funeral procession traveled to and from its destinations, was as if the breath and the heartbeat of God were leading all of us forward one step at a time toward transcendence. In time, my own breath and heart seemed to fall into synchronous rhythm with the cadence.

Third, seeing the Queen's pony, Emma, standing with her groom at attention along the lonely country road and seeing the Queen's two corgis waiting at the door to the castle as the coffin passed by was truly heart wrenching. The reach of the Queen's love went far beyond humanity.

Finally, for a brief two minutes, a whole nation along with millions or perhaps billions of people watching from around the world fell silent – no beeps or rings or commentary or music or phones. Just silence. Those who watched and waited were witness to an unprecedented global event in human history in which people from all corners of the world stood quietly together in respect for a monarch who reigned with grace for seventy-five years. Perhaps this pause was a gift from God to a busy world giving a glimpse into something beyond the life and death of a beloved and faithful earthly servant to the loving and sovereign heavenly leader in the world to come.

In a world gone crazy with busyness and discord, perhaps the hand of God has reached out for just a moment and touched the world bringing stillness to noise and chaos and giving a sign of hope in a rainbow. Queen Elizabeth's dedication to service and her faith in God are vivid reminders and examples to maintain faith and trust in God while continuing selfless commitment to service, prayer, and evangelism. "Be still and know that I am God."



For His Sake, Linda Hoover

# Executive Board Mtg Minutes

## The Order of The Daughters of the King Diocese of Central Pennsylvania Business Meeting Minutes June 6, 2022

**Present:** Ross Fairweather, Linda Hoover, Michele Marini, Lynne McCabe, Susan Leake, Heather Trenary, Alison Vedder

**Absent:** Susan Landin

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 pm and opened with the Prayer of the Order.

**Treasurer's Report:** Alison reported that the checking account balance is \$6,944.83, and the savings account balance is \$432.20, for a total of \$7,377.03.

### Old Business

#### • Upcoming Executive board meetings

- 1st Monday of the month 7:30 p.m. via Zoom or conference call
- Prayer meetings on odd-numbered months; business meetings on even-numbered months.
- Because of Triennial and COVID, meetings are out of sync this year. July 4 and September 4 now would be scheduled business meetings, but both are holidays. August 1 would be a prayer meeting. We will skip the July 4 meeting and will vote during the August 1 meeting about other dates in September and going forward. The motion passed; Kristle moved and Linda seconded.
- Reminder: If the chapter president is also a diocesan officer, the chapter vice president should attend executive board meetings.
- **Triennial:** Michele reported that as of June 6, there were 500 registrants; 13 are from our Diocese. Credentialing of delegates for voting at Triennial was discussed. Credential forms have been submitted for chapter presidents. The logistics concerning provision of altar cloths, banners, and snack bags were discussed.  
Any donations can be sent to: Sue St Amour, 7591 Sandy Bottom Road, Chestertown, MD 21620

### New Business

- **Fall assembly** - November 4-5 in State College. We are inviting the Diocese of Northwestern PA to join us.
- **Presiding Bishop Michael Curry** will visit the Diocese of Central PA on June 10-12. Michele reported that there will be a prayer area in the shrine for the service at Zembo Shrine on June 11. Room dividers will be used to set up space for the prayer room. We will ask attendees at the prayer room how they came to God, record their answers with their permission, and save them for the evangelism conference the weekend of October 14. Michele will bring the Province banner to Harrisburg. Alison will bring DOK brochures.
- The evangelism conference will be an opportunity for Daughters in our diocese to live into our vows. Michele doesn't yet have all the details about the evangelism conference. Jerusalem Greer will be the keynote speaker. Planning for the conference will start after the Presiding Bishop's visit.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 pm with the Motto of the Order. Lynne moved to adjourn; Kristle seconded. The business meeting was followed by Prayer requests and Prayers of the People.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynne McCabe, Recording Secretary

# Executive Board Mtg Minutes (cont'd)

## Daughters of the King Diocese of Central PA Business Meeting of 2022-09-12

Minutes: Alison made motion to approve the minutes as presented; all approved.

Treasurer's Report: Alison reported that the checking account balance is \$6702.84, and the savings account balance is \$432.21, for a total of \$7,135.05. • Michele reminded us that we are not to hang on to large balances. We could offer to pay travel expenses for November's Fall Assembly.

### Old Business

- Upcoming Executive board meetings
  - 1st Monday of the month 7:30 p.m. via Zoom or conference call
  - Prayer meetings typically on odd-numbered months; business meetings on even-numbered months.
  - Call for volunteers to lead next prayer meeting.
  - Reminder: If the chapter president is also a diocesan officer, the chapter vice president should attend executive board meetings.
- Triennial follow-up - Michele: 26 attendees contracted Covid
- Fall assembly - November 4-5 in State College – Michele
  - The Northwestern PA Diocese will be invited to join us at our Fall Assembly meeting.
  - Nov. 5th, State College or Nov. 4th is the Board meeting. Dinner will be provided; if you are travelling with a guest, the guest is invited to dinner. Arrive by 5:30.
  - Working on building community; growing our relationships within our own ranks
  - Renewing our vows; in line with All Saints.
  - Michele will email Susan Landin to determine how to invite Daughters of Glory
- Forthcoming opportunities for DOK in our diocese to live into our vows
  - DCPA Evangelism conference is on Fri October 14th at Spooky Nook. No charge, but registration is required.

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# Executive Board Mtg Minutes (cont'd)

## New Business

Dues were due September 1 - increase from \$40 to \$50

There are people from every chapter whose dues are not paid.  
We could pay for all out of our treasury

Report from province executive board retreat - Kistle

She represented Linda at the retreat o It was so great to be in that setting!

Began our meeting by getting to know each other

Then handled traditional business, including Triennial. o Exposed the need to grow our own community and to embrace evangelism

All day Saturday was devoted to this.

Standard operating procedures – defining roles and responsibilities

Assessing where chapter members are (skills) enroute to leadership o Michele added two points: ▪ We were supposed to stop at 9 PM, then returned after compline, exchanging ideas and concerns ▪ We established a monthly prayer calendar

Chapter updates - chapter presidents

Lancaster – October, Come to the Table; November book study

York – recruiting, working on Wed. bus mtgs

State College – DOK Tea, prepping for Fall Assembly, making dolls for DR, Advent activities

After that we adjourned meeting, read the two prayers on agenda, recited the motto, and said goodnight.

Respectfully submitted,

Ross Fairweather	for	Lynne McCabe
Corresponding Secretary		Recording Secretary

## Save the Date!



**Saturday, Nov. 5, 2022**  
**St Andrews**  
**State College**  
**for our Fall Assembly**

# Executive Board Mtg Minutes (cont'd)

## New Business

Delegate voting at Triennial:

Review delegates by chapter	
Apostles for Christ (York)	Susan Leake
Dame Julian of Norwich (State College)	Kelley Paulsen
Daughters of Glory (Harrisburg)	none
Harriet Lane Johnston (Lancaster)	Heather Trenary
The Peacemakers	none
Daughters at Large	Jen Trenary
DCPA	Linda Hoover

Proposed increased of dues from \$40 to \$50; the rate has been \$40 for twenty years. This proposed increase is expected to be controversial.

General announcements (Hoover)

Linda introduced us to new member Sian Packard who joined DOK during COVID; this is her first Assembly. She is married to Father Jeff Packard, chaplain of the Dame Julian Chapter.

Linda also thanked Fr. Jeff for his support and participation at the Assembly

Province III President Michele Marini announced the April 23rd Province III Retreat will be a virtual meeting, focusing on sister-to-sister evangelism. Heather Trenary will be our Daughter who will tell her story. Prayer requests to be submitted in advance via email or online.

Michele also announced that the 2022 Fall Assembly will be held on Sat. Nov. 4th in State College. This event will include members of unassembled Northwestern PA Daughters (led by Kathy Paulo) so they can be with other Daughters; speaker will likely be Brenda Neal, a longtime member of the DC Assembly. She is the National Enrichment chair and will focus on reinvigorating our DOK commitment. This Fall Assembly will include a rededication of our DOK vows. Make your reservation for State College NOW.

2023 Spring Assembly will be in Lancaster.

**Business meeting adjourned at 10:48 AM**

## What's New in Province III?

The Province III Board Retreat was held at Bishop Claggett Center on August 19-20 with the theme, "Where do we Go from Here?" to inspire us after such a successful triennial experience in Baltimore. And inspiring it was!

On Friday, we began with a community building activity, setting expectations and conducting general business, but one of the richest parts of the entire retreat was listening to the stories of how we each became involved with the Order of the Daughters of the King. We were all so engaged with each other's sharing that after Compline, we continued the discussion. Kathy Paulo, Michele Marini, and Brenda Neal presented Saturday's program which focused on how to build community, how to strengthen our chapters through organization and communication, how integral planning is to help foster and increase chapter engagement, and how to identify and develop leaders at all levels — chapter, diocese, province, and national. One of the most exciting parts was discussing ways to increase communication and engagement, including planning program development at the chapter level.

For us to thrive as chapters and as a diocese, we were encouraged to execute some of these ideas, such as developing a standard operating procedure, a program calendar, and prayer calendar. I'm excited to hear more ideas from this energetic and inspiring team at our upcoming Fall Assembly in State College on November 5. There will also be a time to reaffirm our vows. Please plan to attend!

Kristle Evans, 1st VP

# Prayers

**God we thank you for a harvest of plenty,**

Small seeds that multiply to feed many,

Trees that blossom and produce abundant fruit,

Tomatoes that ripen on the vine with sweet flavour.

**God we thank you for abundance overflowing,**

Enough for our own needs and an abundance to share,

Enough to feed the hungry and provide for the destitute,

Enough to reach out with generosity and care.

**God we thank you for seeds you have planted in our hearts,**

Seeds of righteousness yielding goodness and mercy,

Seeds of love yielding justice and peace,

Seeds of compassion yielding healing and renewal.

**God we thank you for the bread of heaven,**

Christ our saviour planted in our lives,

Christ our redeemer growing in our hearts,

Christ your Son making us one with you.

**God we thank you for the gift of life,**

Like water poured out on thirsty ground,

Spring and autumn rains that revive and bring life,

A river that flows from your heart and out into the world you love.

**Amen**

[Let Us Thank God – A Harvest Prayer – Godspacelight](#)

# Prayers

## **God we thank you for harvests of plenty.**

Small seeds multiplying to feed thousands,  
Sweet tomatoes ripening on vines,  
Trees laden with abundant fruit.  
Bounty overflowing,  
Enough for our own needs  
and much to share.

## **God we thank you for harvests from our hearts.**

Seeds of righteousness,  
yielding goodness and mercy.  
Seeds of love,  
proclaiming justice and peace.  
Seeds of compassion,  
bringing healing and renewal.

## **God we thank you for the holy act of harvest feasts.**

Sharing bread and wine,  
in remembrance of Christ's gift,  
his broken body,  
his blood poured out for us.  
In sharing it may we truly see all creation  
as beloved by you.

Christine Sine <http://godspace-msa.com>



## **The Prayer of the Order**

O Eternal Father, you have sent us your Son to teach us things pertaining to your heavenly Kingdom.

Give your blessing to our Order wherever it may be throughout the world.

Grant that we, your Daughters, ever may discern your truth and bear the cross through the battles of our earthly life.

Give us strength to overcome temptation and the grace to work to spread your Kingdom and to gather your scattered sheep within your fold.

Pour out upon us the sevenfold gift of the Holy Spirit that we may always remember it is your work we are called to do, that all we think, do or say may be pleasing in your sight.



# Prayers

Thank you Lord, thank you,  
for the wonder of life  
as you made it.

Thank you Lord, thank you,  
for the beauty of love  
as you show it.

Thank you Lord, thank you,  
for the glory of presence  
as you reveal it.

Thank you Lord,  
for all that is,  
for all that was,  
for all that will be  
of your creating.

Christine Sine

<http://godspacelight.com>



## DOK Motto

For His Sake...

I am but one, but I am one.

I cannot do everything,

but I can do something.

What I can do, I ought to do.

What I ought to do,

by the grace of God I will do.

Lord, what will you have me do?

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