

## **Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music**

### **November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

The Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music met on November 30<sup>th</sup> to hear brief progress reports from the different subcommittees and working groups.

#### **Book of Common Prayer (Drew)**

The Subcommittee met via Adobe Connect on Nov. 21. Drew, Tom, Dorsey, Devon, and Martha were present.

##### **1. Symposia in partnership with Sewanee and VTS**

The seminaries will cover the cost of the symposia, expenses and an honorarium to those reading papers/speakers. The SCLM will be consulted with regards to invited papers/speakers and cover expenses for those members we send.

##### **2. Anglican Partners**

We have contacted Lizette Miller, David Stancliffe, Randy Roundtree, Sam Dessordi Leite, Keith Griffiths, and Shintaro Ichihara as representatives for Anglican Churches that have recently undergone a major liturgical revision. Lizette Miller will attend the SCLM meeting in October to report on the liturgy in Canada and the work of the International Anglican Liturgical Consultation. We are planning a video conference with Keith Griffiths of South Africa for early in December. A brief article by Shintaro Ichihara relevant to the Japanese Prayer Book was shared. We plan to finish the interviews by June.

We propose three complementary means of managing the data we gather from the interviews to make it useful to us: 1) Create a transcription of each interview; 2) Create a document organized by questions we ask each interviewee with each of their responses to the same questions listed side-by-side for easy comparison; 3) From this, create a list of commonly occurring topics or themes with a short summary of the combined "take aways" under each topic heading.

We are making arrangements for the interview with Bishop Miller to be transcribed and is consulting with Canticle and General Convention office about better technology for recording the next interview.

##### **3. Guided Conversation/Focus Groups**

We are working with Michael Barlow and the GC Planning Committee to conduct a guided conversation on the prayer book (what it means to us and possibilities for the future) at General Convention, to serve as a trial run of this modality.

##### **4. Service Bulletin Collection**

Due to Derek Olson's resignation, we plan to outsource the development of this project. We are considering a variety of possibilities for this hire, which will require expertise in programing and liturgy. The samples will be a random selection of app. 200 service bulletins from parishes in diocese across the whole Church.

#### **Congregational Song (Jessica)**

At this point, our subcommittee has had a number of “brainstorming” conversations, centered around the likelihood that the General Convention office will ask us to move our event to within this triennium. We’re exploring moving it to October 2017 and have confirmed those dates with Virginia Theological Seminary, our host.

Once we get the go-ahead from the General Convention office and budget approval, we will revise our deadlines and can begin to contract with presenters and prepare publicity materials. To that end, we’ve compiled a short list of keynote speakers and session presenters.

For the consideration of the full SCLM: One thing our subcommittee has discussed is charging a participation fee to cover materials and a portion of the remaining costs. I believe that the 2012 Cranbrook Consultation charged a fee – is this precedent alone enough to charge a fee again?

Goal:

To host a symposium exploring congregational song in October 2018

\*no more than 20 participants chosen by application

\*participants will share both original material and recently used resources proven to be effective in their ministry

\*selected portions will be livestreamed

Audience:

Clergy and musicians working in the Episcopal Church, particularly those serving parishes with limited resources

Goals and deliverables:

\*recently composed hymns and songs

\*dissemination of lesser-known materials appropriate for liturgical use

List of stakeholders:

Nancy Bryan/Church Publishing

Presenters

Symposium participants

Center for Liturgy and Music at VTS

Roles and responsibilities of each person:

*Indicated below*

Outside resources:

Housing

&

Food

Printed materials

Licensing

Live streaming

Keynote speaker (1)

Session leaders (3-4)

Hospitality

Additional staff musicians/accompanists

Timeline:

October 2017

Schedule completed (Ellen/Jessica)  
Presenters confirmed (Ellen/Jessica)  
Application deadline set/selection criteria developed (Ellen/Jessica with input from others)  
Additional musicians engaged (Ellen)

March 2017

Application developed (Ellen/Jessica with input from others)  
Dates and venue for symposium selected and confirmed (Ellen/Jessica)  
Plan for livestream confirmed (Ellen)  
Communications plan to solicit applications (Ellen/Jessica with Canticle)  
Communications strategy for wider church (Ellen/Jessica with Canticle)

Budget/Estimates for services & expenses

Housing & Food \$12,500 (travel to be covered by participants)

Printed materials \$1000

OneLicense event license >\$100

Live streaming \$1000

Keynote speaker honorarium/travel \$2500

Session presenters/travel \$4500

Hospitality \$500

Staff musicians/accompanists \$750

= \$22,850 total

**Calendar (Liza)**

- The calendar committee plans to present an update of Lesser Feasts and Fasts for consideration by General Convention 2018, incorporating the previous work that has gone into Holy Women, Holy Men and A Great Cloud of Witnesses.
- We plan to present a proposed table of contents of names for consideration to March 2017 in-person meeting of the SCLM for discussion, and a complete draft by August 2016 in preparation for the September 2017 in-person meeting.
- We have been meeting by conference call to discuss new names proposed by General Convention according to whether they meet the criteria presented in Lesser Feasts and Fasts 2006, which we believe to be the criteria that should apply. We began with new names that have been proposed, and will then proceed to those that were included in A Great Cloud of Witnesses and Holy Women, Holy Men.

- We have heard concerns raised that although the official calendar of the church may indeed by Lesser Feasts and Fasts 2006, the criteria for inclusion that should apply might perhaps be those of Holy Women Holy Men, since the criteria were passed as a separate General Convention resolution. We are open to suggestions about how best to proceed with this, but would propose the following to avoid having another calendar proposal fail:

-A first resolution that would include those individuals that would qualify under the more restrictive 2006 criteria (all of which would also meet the more expansive 2009 criteria). This part *ought* to be completely non-controversial, and should mean that no matter what happens with the rest of the book, we will still *have* a book.

-A second resolution stating the criteria that will be printed in that book (as has been the case with all previous books). The SCLM may choose to present the 2006 criteria or the 2009 criteria, but no matter which we present, General Convention may choose to modify it so we need to remain flexible.

-If we want to suggest the 2009 criteria or something else more expansive than the 2006 criteria, a third resolution presenting additional names that would meet those new criteria but not the 2006 criteria. This is likely to be the more contentious part, but by separating it out into a separate resolution, we can ensure that we should at least have a calendar more recent and easier to access than Lesser Feasts and Fasts 2006.

We welcome input from the full SCLM on this way of proceeding.

- We will be meeting to continue going through the long list of names in December, January, and February.

### **Book of Occasional Services (Ana)**

Goal:

Same as it ever was – to create a new Book of Occasional Services in time for inclusion in the Blue Book in Fall of 2017, and submit it to General Convention 2018 for approval.

The most recent Excel spread sheet has been added to the extranet SCLM file page for your perusal. It was current as of 11/16/16. It shows where each rite is in the process, who the owners and collaborators are (those responsible for collecting, writing, and shepherding each rite through the process). It has three tabs (see bottom left):

- ❖ Create/Revise - containing the 36 rites we're creating and revising, where they are in the process, and who to consult with regarding each rite.
- ❖ Rites to be deleted –and the rationale behind those decisions
- ❖ Process – steps to the goal

Recent actions not reflected on the spread sheet since contracts are not signed yet. Never fear, work is happening, and we're percolating right along:

- ❖ There have been multiple reading/praying/work sessions among and between us to fine tune individual rites, leaving them in various stages from ready for an editor, to fairly undone (the Healing rites are here); all three Pauls have collaborated, as have Jim and Juan.\*

- ❖ Editors have been assigned! Pat Malloy and Lydia Huttar Brown have agreed to work with us, and we're in the process of figuring out the scope of their work\*\*
- ❖ Contractor Information Forms have been sent to Pat and Lydia, to be returned to Patrick Haizel
- ❖ Jim Turrell and Pat Malloy will begin with the Initiation Rites as soon as contracts are signed.

Next steps, as we understand from Patrick Haizel are

- ❖ Consult with Devon as to fees, get her approval, send Patrick Haizel all the info and wait for him to generate contracts.
- ❖ Have everything written and edited by June of 2017, ready for circulation on the SCLM blog.
- ❖ Continue recirculating individual rites both within the commission, and on the SCLM blog as needed. All rewrites need to be reviewed and completed in time for the Blue Book deadline.

## **Racial Reconciliation (Chris)**

### SCLM Racial Reconciliation & Justice Project Plan & Updates

Ø Goal Statement: o Mandate § The Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music should produce and post online a set of prayers for racial reconciliation and justice, suitable for inclusion in the prayers of the people. o Measuring Goal

§ We will produce up to 12 (because we have 6 in the prayer book so we would like to add an additional 6) sets of prayers that will be available online by reaching out to the larger church providing inclusivity of those writing and submitting prayers—hopefully covering the following communities: • Black Community • Native/indigenous Community • Asian Community • East Asian Community • Latino Community

Ø Roles: Athena

§ Will be the point person for collecting resources sent to our subcommittee. § Will post things on extranet so that the writers and colleagues can read and reflect on them § Will contact Ann to be a writer for us ASAP and will respond back by end of October with acceptance or decline message • Ann Responded back and Accepted the position o

Sandy § Will contact the other two writers (Lowell & Deon) § Will be In touch with Commission on reconciliation § Will go through extra liturgical material to see what we might be able to do with that in addition to our mandate o

Chris § Will make sure the call for resources gets out next week to wider church • The message was crafted and sent out to Communications. § Will serve as primary liaison with Wider Church Office & With Devon as Chair of SCLM • Has been in contact in regards to following up about communications and also finance needs and suggestions. § Will plan and set meetings for our subcommittee • Doodle poll was made but, message had technical difficulties going out—we have not convened yet (by November 22nd, 2016—but, hopefully will touch base before full SCLM meeting to provide input on where we are) § Will figure out and will come to meeting with how to

set up a blog (using Athena's email address as point of contact) § Will follow up to see if writers can be included on extranet

Ø Timeline (abbreviated) We are currently behind, but, are recovering from miscommunication on Chris's End. Decisions will be made on how to approach our work and shared at the full SCLM meeting. There is no doubt that we will still make our other set deadlines listed below: o December 1st is our deadline for receiving information from the wider church o Mid December meeting § We will repeat process on checking in with each other § We will send out another message to the Church so we can give the heads up that resources will be made available to them online for use as of February 1st § We will set date for Mid January Call o Mid January Meeting § We will get ready to launch website § Send out message with launch date and url o February 1st (launch is available and blog is available for review to be given to subcommittee for "tweaks" and edits) o Easter (reviews will be closed for comments on blog and we will begin review of messages)