

WAICC Clergy Committee Annual Report 2015-2016

The clergy committee met monthly during 2015-16 at the home of our gracious host, Canon Russell Elliott. Other members included Ingrid Blais (replacing Sharon Doyle), Father Craig Cameron, Bruce Dienes (replacing Penni Burrell), Rev. Sandra Fyfe, Rev. Tim McFarland, Rev. Dr. Barry Morrison, Rev. Ivan Norton (replacing Rev. Dr. Randy Crozsmán), Rev. Dave Ogilvie, and Andy Pitter. A June planning retreat worked well plus we discussed the committee's purpose: whether it was a group for planning and doing or for support. We decided both, but more lay involvement in WAICC's worship services would be helpful.

We provided guidance for WAICC's community meeting regarding refugee sponsorship in October with Barry chairing. We assisted Tim with Acadia's Advent worship. St Francis hosted the Longest Night worship. We had daily prayers on WAICC's website for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity and worship at Manning Chapel, Barry being the preacher and the chapel choir a wonderful experience. Chaplain assistants ably helped with the post-worship potluck supper. St John's, Wolfville, hosted a Ash Wednesday worship and soup supper. Sandra and Barry led weekly Lent studies at their respective churches at different times, both on Desmond Tutu and Mpho Tutu's *The Book of Forgiving*, with good attendance at each time and place. Sandra and Ingrid led a short Walk with the Cross due to rain and a Good Friday worship at St John's, Wolfville, with many creative gifts shared including a joint choir.

Over the year we also discussed various issues and provided support to one another. Thank you to all who helped with and participated in the committee's work and to all who support our clergy in general.

Respectfully submitted,
Andriel Pitter