

1 Holy Transfiguration Ladies Guild Meeting Minutes

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3 August 4, 2019
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6 **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Samar Annab, Tanya Attal, Samira Bailey, Deaconess Cathy
7 Baroody, Mary Baroody, Anne Benedicto, Nancy Betress, Bianca Botty, Courtney Boutte,
8 Khourieh Judy Handal, Lani Kanakry, Heidi Kaska, Georgianna Kostak, Karen
9 Martinsen-Parli, Kimberly Metzger, Deaconess Melissa Olt, Monica Ortiz, JoEllen Quint,
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11 **I. CALL TO ORDER/OPENING PRAYER:**

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13 12:28pm - Opened with a prayer by Protodeacon David
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15 **II. BOARD AND COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS:**

16 Deaconess Cathy welcomed everyone and thanked all the women of our church who have
17 supported and do support the work of the Guild – whether it’s through their prayers, their
18 time or talent. She looks forward to continuing the work we do; focusing on what has
19 brought us together – that we are united in our love of Christ and our desire to serve Him
20 and His people and support our pastor.
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22 Introduction of Committee Chairs for 2019-2020

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24 Fundraising Committee – Lani Kanakry & Heidi Kaska

25 Hospitality Committee – Samar Annab

26 Membership Committee – Jo Ellen Quint

27 Nominating Committee – Sylvia Hondros

28 Publicity Committee – Anne Benedicto; Monica Ortiz & Kristen Berg, website

29 Procurement Committee – Kim Metzger

30 Services Committees:

31 Bereavement/Mercy Meals: Khourieh Judy Handal

32 Church Linens/Vestments: Nicky Schauder

33 Flowers: Deaconess Linda Black

34 Meals for Moms: Nicky Schauder

35 Sunshine Committee: Tanya Attal

36 Young Adults: Star Danfora & Natalie Samaha; Kristen Berg (spiritual
37 lead)

38 Young Moms: Monica Ortiz & Jaci Wolternist

39 Spiritual Committee – Bianca Botty & Deaconess Cathy
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41 **Fundraising:** Lani wanted to thank members for volunteering through the summer for
42 sweets-making. Saturday 8/10/19 was the last day for festival sweets baking. Samira
43 asked for assistance the week before the festival. Specifically, she will need approx. 6-8
44 people on Monday 8/26 and Tuesday 8/27 before the festival and will need 6-8 people on
45 Thursday 8/29 to set up the sweets shop.

46 Samar asked that Emily Bickl update the signup for the Atayef from 2-3 people to 5,
47 since at least 5 people will be needed.

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49 **Membership:** Membership Committee will use the ledge in front of the coat/storage
50 closet for Membership Drive forms and other information for members and others that
51 may be interested. A reminder was given that September 21st will be the LG Welcome
52 Tea to be held in the church hall from 2-4 pm. This info will be sent out in the church
53 bulletin. We encourage our members to invite at least one other woman to the Welcome
54 Tea and to join our guild. Also, we will have Member Forms, Meeting Schedule and a
55 flyer for the Welcome Tea on the table where Church Tours begin during the festival.

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57 **Hospitality:** There will be a message in the church bulletin announcing that we are
58 looking for volunteers for the Sunday Coffee Hour. The announcement will be sure to
59 emphasize that volunteers will ONLY be responsible for the coffee and clean-up of
60 coffee, NOT the Memorial Wheat, and NOT the donuts. Deaconess Melissa, as Church
61 Secretary, will be point of contact for any events that will be in the church hall or kitchen
62 including serving for special occasions such as baptisms, birthdays, etc. All requests
63 must go through her and she will coordinate with Samar. New Kitchen/Hall Use
64 Guidelines and New Coffee Hour Host Instructions have been posted in the kitchen and
65 Deaconess Melissa and Samar will use these to send/hand out to people accordingly.

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67 **III. NEW BUSINESS:**

68 Idea was put forth for new church directory so we can easily identify everyone.

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70 **IV. NEXT MEETING DATE:**

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72 September 8th, 12:15 pm

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74 **V. CLOSING PRAYER/SPIRITUAL REFLECTION:**

75 Bianca read a prayer that reminds us that the ideal is set before us – what is important is
76 that we try and try again. The following prayer is from one of our church fathers, St.
77 Nektarios of Aegina:

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79 “Pray to God so that He will strengthen you. Patiently accept your falls and, having
80 stood up, immediately run to God, not remaining in that place where you have
81 fallen...don’t let anything deprive you of hope.”

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83 **VI. ADJOURNMENT**

84 1:23 pm - meeting ended.

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