

Vestry Minutes March 2025

Christ Episcopal Parish

7:00 pm

Christ Church Parish House

March 25, 2025

Meeting Minutes

Attending:

Father Tim Carr, Rector

Jay Renner, Junior Warden

Jeff Grimes, Treasurer

Bill Hickman, Clerk

Jacqueline Aris

Emily Correll

Mohit Mathew

Joe Richardson

The meeting started at 7:00 with a prayer. Then Father Tim offered a thanksgiving for the following five new families who have joined Christ Episcopal Church:

O Carrie and Mike Hedges

O Lynn and Don Jacobs

O Susan Mangwendeza

O Kelly DePaulo

O Katie Spero, Chaplain to the Lower School, St. Andrew's Episcopal School

The agenda was adopted with unanimous approval.

The minutes of the February 25<sup>th</sup> vestry meeting were approved unanimously.

Jeff Grimes presented the February Profit & Loss Report and Balance Sheet.

- O Pledge income fell off in February.
- O Plate collections were above budget.
- O Interest income was above budget.
- O Total revenue year-to-date is over budget.
- O February utilities expenses were high due to weather.
- O February net income year-to-date is approximately \$45,000.
- O Cash on hand is \$1.2 million, but \$427,000 of that is set aside for HVAC purchase.

The vestry approved the February financial reports unanimously.

Father Tim gave an update on Stewardship. The total number of pledges for 2025 now stands at 167. The goal remains at 180.

Father Tim and Joe Richardson reported on the work of the Environmental Ministry Committee. Joe and Mark Wright are working on the system to track energy usage.

Father Tim and Jay Renner gave the Property Report.

- Repairs on the school tile floors will be done during the spring break.
- There is a \$23,000 grant to replace school windows.
- We are in Stage One of the Church Audio project. The hardware has been purchased. It needs testing. Then it will be wired.
- The backflow installation has been deferred.
- The expense for the five-year lift inspection will be \$2,200.

The vestry unanimously approved the \$2,200 expenditure for the lift (elevator) inspection.

Father Tim gave the Head of School Report

- 37 additional children have enrolled for next year.
- The school will hold an Open House on April 12.

A breakfast with the Easter bunny will be held from 9 am to 11 on Saturday, April 12.

Palm Sunday will be on Sunday, April 13. The service will be at 10 a.m. The congregation will meet at City Hall and proceed from there into the church.

The Holy Week schedule of services is:

- Maundy Thursday – 7 p.m.

- Good Friday – 3 p.m. (Stations of the Cross), 7 p.m. (Book of Common Prayer)
- Holy Saturday – 7 p.m. (Easter Vigil with Baptism and with incense)
- Easter Sunday – 5 a.m.  
     7 a.m. (Mass in the Memorial Garden)  
     8 a.m. (Quiet Mass in the Nave)  
     10 a.m. (The Festal High Sung Mass of the Resurrection – with incense)

Father Tim asked for volunteers to be Easter Parking Angels for the 10 a.m. service. The time on duty would be from 9:30 to 10. Thus far, the volunteers are Emily Correll and Rob Correll. Additional volunteers would be appreciated.

A review of Ash Wednesday concluded that the services were well attended.

Several items were discussed pertaining to the Washington Gay Men's Chorus concert scheduled for our church at 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 14.

- The choir pews will need to be moved in order to accommodate the 65-man chorus. Since the school will be out by then, they will probably be stored temporarily in a classroom.
- Coming up with adequate parking will be an issue. We will continue to work on that topic.
- The ticket price will probably be \$25.
- The revenue split between the chorus and the church will be 50/50.

There is still a need to meet with the consultant regarding vision planning for 2026.

The next vestry meeting will be Tuesday, April 29, at 7 p.m. in the Parish House.

The meeting ended with a closing prayer and then adjournment at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Hickman

Clerk

**Minutes were approved at vestry meeting on April 29, 2025**

**Bill Hickman**