

**St. George's Anglican Church**  
**Parish Council Minutes: Wed. December 3, 2025 (10am)**

**Chair:** Christine Conkin

**Prayers:** Christine Conkin

**Minutes:** Amanda Unrau

**Attendees:** The Rev. Christine Conkin, The Rev. Don Walls, Lawrence Saracuse, Leslie Glazier, Marilyn Pattison, David Stuart, Stephen Koning, Judy Trueman, Joy Warkentin, Sheila Hofmeyr, Martha Stein Marriott, John Oldale, Rosamund Soares

**Regrets:** none

**Meeting called to Order:** 10:04am

**Gospel-based discipleship: Matthew 3:1-12**

- We keep the gospel at the center to guide and inspire our work

**Approval of Minutes:** October 1<sup>st</sup> & November 5<sup>th</sup> meetings as amended.

Oct 1 amendments:

- Shortened for clarity, removed names, minor wording and grammar changes

**MOTION: To approve the minutes from October 1 as amended.**

**Moved:** David Stuart;                      **Seconded:** Martha Stein Marriott;      **Carried.**

Nov 5 amendments:

- Stewardship: typo - Leslie named, should be Lawrence
- Stewardship: Include last names for Jennifer Handley and Barbara Underhill
- Stewardship: include reason we moved away from using Tithely
- Interfaith “stuff” to be changed to “ministry at UVic”
- Minor wording and grammar changes

**MOTION: To approve the minutes from November 5 meeting as amended.**

**Moved:** Stephen Koning;                      **Seconded:** Joy Warkentin;                      **Carried.**

**Updates:**

**Piano Fundraiser:**

- Parish contributions without fundraiser are just under \$10k
- 2 concerts, Dec 6 and Jan 1, music ministry and hospitality ministry working hard
- Signi Murgatroyd estimates 80-100 people will come
- If fundraising exceeds \$15k, it's suggested that we put into a fund for future tunings, as it keeps with the spirit of “refurbishment and upkeep”
- We can reverse the carriage costs the church paid and take that from the fundraising
- Hospitality costs come from hospitality fund for these concerts
- Envelope Secretary would like breakdowns: what we raised, where from (donations, events, etc.) the actual costs of the refurbishment, and also the costs of the events

**Community Engagement:**

- We provided soup, cookies, and a study space on Nov 12 for UVic students
- Rebecca Yeo (UVic Spiritual Advisor) would like our continued support – we would like to continue this relationship, our group will meet to discuss

- Re-visit in January to assess what we are doing, what's the relationship with SJOT as well, and the relationship between the Social Justice Outreach Team and Community Engagement team

### - ARC 2.0 (Leslie)

- Hazmat testing taken place on the Hall but we have not received report yet, ARC is waiting until we have this information to meet again

### - Facilities

- A tree that was breaking the neighbor's fence was taken down on Fri Nov 21
- Church roof and gutters cleaned Nov 21
- We continue to get information about and research options for hall roof
- Backflow valve needs replacing, water needed to be shut off here and hall but could not due to issues on Saanich's end, will need to turn off water on entire street to fix, once completed our work will be done soon
- Toilet innards/valves/mechanism in hall needed replacing, is done
- Kiosk for emergency preparedness is done and installed
- Change is coming – Terry Carroll retiring his role as groundskeeper, Bruce Winter will take over coordination (but not do all the work)
- We will recognize everyone involved in the transition when it happens, including Gary Fisher as he does a lot for our grounds and maintenance

### Financial matters

#### - Report: (Lawrence) see attachments

- Nothing to note

#### **MOTION: To accept the financial statements and report as presented.**

**Moved:** Lawrence Saracuse;

**Seconded:** Judy Trueman;

**Carried.**

### - Stewardship 2026 (John)

- Team did well, speakers did well, gratitude to all
- Barbara Underhill reported that we have 46 pledges to date. We will receive a final report once all pledges are received. Worth noting: we currently have about 46 PAR donors, and 13 existing PAR donors who have not pledged (but we know their money coming)
- Total value to date \$132,000; context: current PAR donors annual value is just over \$183,000, roughly 75k difference (because some don't pledge but are on PAR now) so \$207k total estimate
- Offerings: end of October, 10-month budget is \$208k
- Community event fund (which is lower than expected) is part of our operational budget but on a separate line. Last year, people on PAR who specified events and general operations were recorded just as general operations, hence one reason the community events fund seemed lower. There is no issue as it's in the same line on budget and more people supported hospitality than we thought prior.

### **Parish Leadership, 2026:**

Changes:

- Lawrence S complete as Treasurer; John O complete as Warden; David S resigned as Warden; Barbara U complete as Envelope Secretary
- Lawrence to become Envelope Secretary, Barbara to become Treasurer
- Judy requested to step down.
- Synod dates – Nov 20-21, 2026 (last synod focused on canons, unsure of 2026 focus)

- Nov 23-26 celebrating 50 years of priesting of women. Diocese hosting event to celebrate. The Rt Rev Sarah, appointed as new Archbishop of Canterbury), has been invited.

	Synod Delegate	Parish Council	Warden
<b>Term 2, Year 3 (Complete!)</b>			
<b>Term 2, Year 2</b>	Judy Trueman - alternate	Marilyn Pattison Rosamund Soares	
<b>Term 2, Year 1</b>	?? Sheila Hofmeyr	?? Leslie Glazier	
<b>Term 1, Year 3</b>			Sheila Hofmeyr
<b>Term 1, Year 2</b>	Steve Koning	Joy Warkentin	Martha SM
<b>Term 1, Year 1</b>			

Treasurer - Barbara U; Honorary - Don W  
Envelope Secretary - Lawrence Saracuse

Suggestion to approach Colin Millar as warden. We need 1 or 2 more wardens.

If you're talking to people about this, or have other suggestions of people to join parish leadership in one of the roles, please let Christine know.

### **Parish Leadership, 2025:**

Changes: Cedric Trueman complete; Jennifer Handley complete; John S resigned

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<b>Term 1, Year 1</b>	Steve Koning	Joy Warkentin	David Stuart Martha SM

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### **- Set meetings for (early) 2026**

- Annual Vestry meeting is Sunday, February 22, after 10am service
- Next meetings: January 21 – 10am, February 11 – 10am

**Adjourn:** 11:15am

*Glory to God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.  
Glory to God, from generation to generation in the church, and in Christ Jesus, forever and ever.  
Amen.*

**ATTACHMENTS:**

**Financial Report:**

[251203.Rpt\\_FinancialReport](#)

**St. George Budget vs Actuals:**

[251203.Rpt\\_Budget vs Actual as of Oct 31, 2025 - St George - REVISED2](#)

**St. George Balance Sheet:**

[251203.Rpt\\_Balance Sheet as of Oct 31, 2025 - St George - REVISED2](#)