

VESTRY MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, March 19, 2026

NEXT MEETING: 16-April-26

Members Attending: Rev. Chris Micklewright, Jeanette Woehr, Candy Roberts, Re Henning, Carol Jenkins, Ann Brilliant, Gabby Barbour, Christine Pickup

Members Excused: Cathy Ufheil

Guests: Amy Grant (ex officio)

Joining on Zoom: Angel Guido

AGENDA ITEM:	Discussion	Action to be taken / Person Assigned
Opening Prayer & Scripture Reflection	Rev. Chris read from Chapter 1 of Matthew's Gospel, in observance of the feast of St. Joseph, and spoke about how God delights to work in the messy places – & calls us to do the same.	
Approval of Consent Agenda	Rev. Chris shared the recently completed Income / Expense report from last week's brunch, which raised \$777.73.	Motion made, seconded, and passed to accept the consent agenda.
Date for May Vestry Meeting	Rev. Chris requested a change in the May Vestry meeting date due to a conflict with a child's concert.	The Vestry agreed to meet on Tuesday, May 19, rather than Thursday, May 21.
Property Updates <i>* Stormwater / PWD Project</i> <i>* Riverside Roof Project Update</i> <i>* Riverside Kitchen Floor Project</i> <i>* Rudman Carpet Cleaning?</i>	<p>*The Vestry discussed the recent presentation by contractors about the stormwater project.</p> <p>*Rev. Chris reported that the roof project cost an extra \$2410 due to the discovery of rotted wood; the project is mostly complete, but the contractors will need to return to fix the metal flashing which was not installed well.</p> <p>*A donor has given \$15,000 to fund replacement of the floor in the Riverside kitchen. Any money left over may be used to repair additional drawers / cabinets.</p> <p>*Rudman carpets would benefit from cleaning.</p>	<p>*Kitchen floor replacement will move forward as soon as scheduling allows.</p> <p>*Rev. Chris will consult with Cathy about finding a cleaner for Rudman carpets.</p>
Annual Meeting Plans <i>* Annual Report Preparation</i> <i>* Vestry Elections</i>	<p>*Annual meeting is scheduled for Sunday, May 3.</p> <p>*Carol, Cathy, and Ann are coming to the end of their first three-year terms. Carol and Ann expressed willingness to run again or step aside to make room for new people. Carol noted the value in seeking to include a male voice on the next Vestry slate.</p> <p>*Re Henning notified the Vestry that she intends to step down due to health challenges.</p>	<p>*Christine Pickup will collect reports and assemble the Annual Report.</p> <p>*Vestry members (and parishioners) are invited to consider writing reports for inclusion.</p> <p>*Rev. Chris will have Vestry nomination forms available starting Sunday. All are encouraged to identify & speak with potential Vestry members.</p>

HGDPC Strategic Plan	The Vestry reviewed a document outlining the significant progress being made on the HGDPC Strategic Plan. Rev. Chris thanked all who have helped to establish and lead HGDPC, and all who have supported their efforts.	
Diocesan Updates * <i>Funding for Deanery</i> * <i>Bishop Visitation in 2027</i> * <i>Confirmation Class</i>	*Rev. Chris reported on the inconsistent progress toward reestablishing a functional deanery (the body of local Episcopal churches) *The Bishop has provided significant funding to deaneries to support ministry with the poor *The Bishop is scheduled to visit next year on Palm Sunday (March 21, 2027). Rev. Chris has confirmed that the Bishop will be able to confirm or receive any candidates during that visit. *Multiple youth in the parish have expressed interest in being confirmed.	*Rev. Chris will continue to speak to the value of lay representatives being included in deanery events, especially when finances are to be discussed. *The Vestry agreed to raise questions about the funding for deaneries (in light of the Bishop's promise of a moratorium on new initiatives for the 3 years) when the diocese hold budget meetings. *Rev. Chris will hold a youth confirmation class starting later this year.
Developing a Vision for 2026 & Beyond	The Vestry continued discussion about establishing a vision and strategic priorities, and discussed how to invite the rest of the congregation into the process. There was also discussion of how our community has served as a kind of "rehab" for many who have been hurt by other churches.	It was agreed to hold a congregational vision meeting on June 14, 2026 (possibly to include a parish picnic).
Communications – Who will report?		Christine Pickup agreed to report to the congregation on this meeting.
Minutes Respectfully Submitted by:	Rev. Chris Micklewright, Rector	