

Christ Church
Vestry Minutes
Tuesday, October 28th, 2025
5:15pm via Zoom and Formation + Arts Room #106

Present: The Rev. Thomas Reeder, The Rev Andreis Diaz, and The Rev Amy Slater; **Messrs.** Brownlee, Gagnon, Long, Parker, Shepherd, Udelhofen; **Mmes.** Blackman, Burnside, Fouts, Loeb, Toonk, Waller, and Zerebny

Absentees: The Rev Laura Magevney, Evanger, and Wilson.

Guests:

Welcome and Opening Prayer: All

- Jack Parker called the meeting to order at 5:16 pm with the Vestry prayer.

Declaration of the Quorum: Jack Parker

- Quorum established.

Spiritual Presentation/Reflection: Gretna Zerebny

- Shared a story about 9/11

Consent Agenda: All

- Sept 2025 Vestry Minutes.
- Sept 2025 Financials
- Sept KPIs – None presented
 - **Move to approve consent agenda items; seconded and approved.**

Rector's 5 Minutes: Rev Reeder

- Clergy were on a Zoom call regarding electing the new Bishop.
- Highlight some new programs that came out of the Town Hall meetings:
 - New Parenting Class
 - Small group
 - The Marriage Course
 - New Divorce Recovery Class
- Bridge Institute is coming on Nov 13th.

Sr Warden's Five Minutes: Jack Parker

- Jim Evanger is traveling and working on completing the Strategic Plan and will present in Nov.
- A lot going on in Outreach.
 - Mission House – focus on hunger and feeding people.
 - Government shutdown will cause people to stop receiving food stamps.
 - After Thanksgiving we are going to go from “Grab A Bag” once a month to weekly.
- Thankful and grateful for Tom's leadership and the staff.
- Rev Amy Slater is headed to Greece with 25 people.

Fall Stewardship Campaign: Mike Shepherd

- Shared a “Better Together” slideshow.
- This year the theme is “Love Heavenly, Live faithfully. Give together.”
- Requested that all Vestry and clergy turn in their 2026 pledge cards.
- Progress after 5 weeks.
 - Goal \$4.8million with Pledges being \$3.8m.
 - As of today, we have \$2.499m pledged.

- Forecast to achieve the goal.
- Other relevant data.
- Engaging the audience bullet points.
- Potential activities post Nov 16th.

Wednesday Dinner Follow-Up: David Gagnon

- Mel Johnson is doing an amazing job.
- Vestry approved childcare to come out of the Wed dinner revenue.

Other Business and/or Questions and Answers: All

- November is going to be an interesting month for worship: starting with All Souls on Nov 2nd and ending with Christ the King service on Nov 23rd
- Last meeting we shared the pain the Spanish congregation is going through. Rev Diaz is grateful to report that despite their challenges at this time, we have 10 people from this ministry who have signed up for the Amistad mission trip in 2026.
- Any update on the organ?
 - It has been ordered.
 - The pit has been braced and covered.
 - We have a loaner organ and in a couple of weeks it will be put in place.
- Any update on the 5th clergy?
 - Have a lead and still looking.
- Seem to be short on Church mice; can we put a note in the bulletin.

Prayer and Adjournment:

- Adjourned the meeting in prayer at 6:17 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Ronda Toonk, Vestry Registrar