

ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
VESTRY MEETING
MINUTES
June 26, 2025

Present: Senior Warden-Richard Updegrove, Junior Warden-John Corbishley, Treasurer-David Brierley, Clerk-Mattie Gustafson, Murry Edwards, Jerry Culver, Cory Thurston, Alex Simmons, Jason DeFalco, Sarah Barker, Nancy Kimble, and the Rector, Jennifer Pedrick.

Via Phone: David Burke

Via Zoom: Lauren Lema

Jennifer called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

Reconnecting with each other in the presence of God – Jennifer

Jennifer shared a reading entitled “For Beginnings and Endings” from *The Lives We Actually Live* by Kate Bowler. Transitions, change, beginnings, and endings are an inevitable part of life. Jennifer asked up to sit and think about transitions and changes that have been happening in our own lives. Some vestry members shared their thoughts.

Rector's Report – Jennifer

The Transition

- Once again, the parish has been very generous with regard to sending Meaghan off to her new position at Trinity.
- The Strawberry Sunday celebration, scheduled for June 29th, will be combined with the goodbye to Meaghan.
- Jennifer has located a very skilled priest, Greg Prior, to come be with us until next June, while we listen to each other and God and try to discern what is next for St. Mary's.
- On July 20th we will hold a Coffee and Conversation, the objective of which will be to begin the discernment process about what is next.

The Vestry discussed issues and opportunities involved in our “next chapter.” Rick said he was very excited about exploring how we can develop and deepen our life together at St. Mary's.

Technology Update – Murry

A report detailing what platforms we currently subscribe to, and what they provide, is on Basecamp. A number of folks will be meeting (via Zoom) with a sales rep from Realm to share and ask questions about changing to this software package.

Junior Warden's Report – John Corbishley

Church doors

There is an issue with the large church doors in the historic church. John is working on this issue.

Rectory Renovation

The small bathroom is still a work in progress. Hopefully fixtures and workers will show up shortly and the entire project can be called complete!

Senior Warden Report – Rick Updegrove

Investment Committee

A full report will not be available until our July meeting. Ron Machetly has volunteered to serve on this committee, but not as chair. This position still needs to be filled.

Levitt Music Grant

This is a foundation that will grant a sum of money to organizations for outdoor concert series. David Ferkinhoff and Michael DiMucci are working on putting a grant together, which will be mailed out this month. In general, funding is \$40,000 a year for 3 years. This is a matching grant, so we will need additional funds from St. Mary's, some of which can be made in kind. We are also looking for donations and support from other organizations in the community.

Consent Agenda

Rick U. made a motion, seconded by John C., that we pass the Consent Agenda, consisting of the Stewardship Reports, the Treasurer's Report, and the Minutes for May 2025. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mattie E. Gustafson, Clerk