

## **FEBRUARY VESTRY MEETING MINUTES**

### **Monday, February 2, 2026, at 6:30 pm**

Members present: Rev. Katie Ayers, Moderator, Lisa Clarkson, Senior Warden, Rusty Davis, Junior Warden, Julie Claytor, Treye Byars, Betsy Cate, Drew Robb, Anne Lott, Treasurer, and Louise Barker, Secretary. Members absent: Butch Addison and Tammy Brazzell.

The monthly vestry meeting was called to order by Rev. Katie and she opened with prayer.

The minutes of the vestry meeting held on January 5, 2026, which were previously emailed to all members by Louise Barker, were addressed. Rev. Katie asked if there were changes that needed to be made. Hearing no changes, additions or corrections, Rev. Katie asked for motions to approve the minutes as written. Motions were made by Julie and Betsy to accept the minutes as written and the vestry approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** The treasurer's report was previously sent to members. Anne Lott presented three motions for vestry action (copy attached). Motion 1, Replenish Operating Checking Account: Move \$11,694.65 to the Operating Account from the Operating Reserve Fund; motions were made by Anne and Lisa to accept and were approved by the vestry. Motion 2, Replenish Building Fund Checking Account by moving \$18,259.16 from the Operating Reserve Account to the Building Fund Checking Account; motions were made by Anne and Treye to accept and were approved by the vestry. Motion 3, Replenish Cemetery & Grounds Checking Account; no action was required as the Cemetery Checking Account exceeded \$15,000 at the beginning of the year.

#### **Junior Warden's Report:**

- Rusty reported that the cedar tree affecting the cemetery wall has been removed.
- The sink in the sacristy bathroom needs to be replaced. He is waiting for a new sink and the water at that sink has been turned off.
- Rusty is looking into placing a plug at the outside water source for the Parish Hall so that a lamp can be installed to keep the water from freezing.
- He has checked the sacristy door and it is fine.
- He reported that John Davis will look at the handicap door and organ door when weather permits.

#### **Senior Warden's Report:**

Lisa thanked Katie and everyone who "attended" the online Facebook services for the past two weeks and she thanked the folks who keep the website updated.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

There was some discussion about how to include others for virtual worship and the need for the availability of Prayer Books for online worship.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Oyster Roast: Tickets are ready for sale (see Jim or Bud). Anne is sending out invitations. The sign will go up and there was an emphasis on selling tickets as they will not be available to sell at the event. The Ruritan members have tickets to sell as well.

Lent Planning: Rev. Katie will conduct the Adult Formation class and Julie will lead the Youth Sunday School program. She has been in touch with Molly, Danielle, and Perri and they have agreed to help. Each will begin on February 22, the First Sunday in Lent, at 9am and will run for 5 weeks. The theme for Youth SS is "Children of the Bible." The book for Adult Formation is Love Set Free by Martin Smith, which focuses on devotions.

Lisa reminded everyone to be available to help with Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on February 17. Lisa will buy the food. Kitchen help will be Frank, Rusty, Treya, and Drew. We should plan for about 60.

Community VBS Opportunity: Rev. Katie will attend a planning meeting for Vacation Bible School at New Light Beulah Church on Monday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Participation from local churches will provide an opportunity to be more involved with community. Needs to consider are volunteers, space, activities, food... Rev. Katie will report to the vestry the meeting discussions.

Technological Upgrades in Sanctuary: Rev. Katie is asking that someone look into getting a microphone for the lectors as it is difficult for their voices to be picked up by the ipad recording each service. Rusty will check into the sound system used at the oyster roast and at outside funerals.

The next vestry meeting will be Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30pm.

Lisa led us in Compline and the meeting closed at 7:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Louise Barker, Secretary to the Vestry