

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

VESTRY MINUTES

April 9, 2025

Present: Rector Jonathan Galles, Sr. Warden Bill Carle, Jr. Warden Rich Conn, Diane Gerlach, Tom Hinsdale, Mary Liddle, Jan Pahlas, Jason Tarasovic, Lane Vermillion

Zoom: Treasurer Jim Gilligan

Guests: Abbie Conn, Jessican Galles

After an opening prayer by Fr. Jonathan Galles, the meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm.

After a motion duly made and seconded, the following resolution was approved by the Vestry:

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Vestry meeting held on March 12, 2025, be approved.

Bill Carle announced there are no scheduled Vestry duties this month.

Jessica Galles and Abbie Conn talked about the growth in the children's ministry since we have several new families with children coming to church. Last week there were 12 children ranging from 16 months to 14 years of age. The children have been meeting in the back of the church by the columbarium. They proposed moving their meeting area to the alcove just outside the Rector's office. They showed samples of furnishings and floor covering they would like to purchase using funds already budgeted for the children's ministry. It was moved and seconded that the following be approved:

RESOLVED, that the alcove area outside the Rector's office be set aside as a space for the children's ministry during the 10:30 am service time, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that furnishings and floor covering for this use be purchased using funds already budgeted for the children's ministry, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, this approval is with the understanding all items and furnishings in the area will be picked up and stored after the service, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, this arrangement will be given a three (3) month trial period and reviewed again at the August Vestry meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Treasurer Jim Gilligan reviewed the March financial reports. Year-to-date revenues are over budget and expenses are under budget. The investment portfolio balance is down but not as much as the general stock market. The increase in the Building Fund comes from the transfer of 50% of the parking receipts, as previously approved by the Vestry.

After a motion duly made and seconded, the following resolution was approved by the Vestry:

RESOLVED, that the April 2025 Treasurer's Report be approved. (See attached)

Bill Carle reported on a meeting he and Elaine Gilligan attended with representatives from Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral regarding possible changes for parking cars during events.

The status of the Capital Campaign was included in the Treasurer's report. With regard to the construction, all bills received have been paid. We haven't received an invoice yet from the concrete contractor, who still has unfinished exterior work to complete, including railings, trenching and grading. The east door has not yet been fitted with ADA-compliant mechanisms. Also, grass seed and shrubs will need to be purchased and planted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS (SEE ATTACHED) Previously submitted reports were presented for approval by consent.

Lane Vermillion, for the Worship Committee, requested the purchase of four (4) white oil-based candles for the Advent wreath. The anticipated cost is Four Hundred Sixty-eight Dollars (\$468.00). Discussion followed regarding the need. Diane Gerlach suggested funding be approved and funds taken from the proceeds of the St. Patrick's Day dinner.

After a motion duly made and seconded the following resolution was approved by the Vestry:

RESOLVED, that up to Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) be approved for the purchase of four (4) new white candles for the Advent Wreath to be paid from proceeds of the St. Patrick's Day dinner.

Junior Warden Rich Conn noted Les Woodward's friend Matt has volunteered to work many hours on the narthex addition without compensation. Rich feels a written thank you from the Vestry would be appropriate. Fr. Jonathan will prepare a letter which will be signed by each Vestry Member at the May meeting.

Rich Conn also discussed the condition of three water spigots on the outside of the church. Two spigots need to be repaired and one needs to be moved. The church received a bid last year from Smedley Plumbing for Two Thousand, Four Hundred Twenty-eight Dollars (\$2,428.00) to make the repairs. Discussion was held by the Vestry. It was decided the church should obtain at least one (1) additional bid for the work and proceed with the project with funding from the Building Fund.

After a motion duly made and seconded the following resolution was approved by the Vestry:

RESOLVED, that up to Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) be allocated for the repair/relocation of three (3) spigots on the outside of the church.

Rich Conn stated the Garden Committee is preparing a plan for landscaping the back side of the church building and will present that plan at a future Vestry meeting.

Vestry members then discussed whether to move forward with installing the playground equipment purchased from St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Kansas City in 2020 and currently being stored on the Biggs' property. Liability, public use, location and costs of installation were considered. The Vestry decided not to install the equipment and instead research its sale or donation.

After a motion duly made and seconded the following resolution was approved by the Vestry:

RESOLVED, that the church not install the playground equipment being stored at the Biggs and instead research its sale or donation after determining the current condition of the equipment.

Fr. Jonathan announced Resurrection will host the Central Deanery picnic on September 20, 2025.

It is possible the new Bishop Amy Meux will visit Resurrection shortly after her installation. No date has been set.

The family of Carolyn Laster wants to have her funeral on Saturday, May 31, 2025. Unfortunately, many parishioners will be attending a previously scheduled New Theatre show on that date, which will impact the church providing hospitality as well as attendance. Fr. Jonathan will explain the situation to the family to see if they are able to move the date.

There being no other business, the meeting ended with a prayer by Fr. Jonathan. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Elaine S. Marshall, Clerk