

St. Paul's Episcopal Church Vestry Meeting Wednesday, September 24, 2025

The Rev. Lucy Strandlund called the meeting to order at 6:33 and gave a devotion. Those in attendance were Morris Friedman, Lucy Paynter, Kathryn Vernon, Jackie Piscetelli, Ralph Womble, Salem Parham, Charlotte Broughton, Keith Googe, Erin Adams, Jack Scruggs, the Rev. Nick VanHorn, the Rev. Erika Takacs, Victoria Bass, Kim Yerino, Grady Phillips, and Betsy Reiners.

Lucy asked for any amendments to the August minutes sent out previously by the vestry secretary, Betsy Reiners. Ralph requested his name be corrected. Ralph made a motion to accept the minutes and Kathryn seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Morris asked vestry members to be sure and return their pledge cards before Sunday, September 28 as an example of their commitment to the parish.

Lucy asked for approval for the two new delegates to the 210th Annual Convention, Elizabeth Lopina, and Richard Lewis. Jack made a motion and Charlotte seconded the motion. The delegates were approved.

Erika said the vergers have been a big help at the 9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services. She also explained the directives the clergy follow from the Book of Common Prayer when planning the Prayers of the People portion of worship.

Nick shared some stories and slides of the summer youth trip.

Lucy invited anyone on the vestry to register for the Mental Health First Aid workshop scheduled for October 4th at the Station. She said fall adult formation is in full swing and confirmed that Bishop Jennifer will be here on April 19 for confirmation.

In the Sr. Warden's report, Morris reviewed process for convening a vestry nomination committee and encouraged current vestry members to send him names of good candidates for this role.

In the Jr. Warden's report, Charlotte said the new church signage is moving forward.

Kathryn reported that ECW raised \$18,000.00 at the ArtReach fund raising event.

Lucy Paynter reported for ecclesiastical arts and said we are excited to accept a portrait of Bishop Thomas Frazer, former St. Paul's rector from the diocese for our archives collection.

Lucy adjourned the meeting at 7:29 pm