



CHAPEL of
the CROSS
an historic Episcopal Church

Vestry Meeting

Tuesday, May 20, 2025 @ 6pm

The Reverend Doctor David Christian Parish Hall

Attendance: Lynne Green; Cliff Agnew, Senior Warden; Rev. Will Compton, Rector; Carroll Patton; Russell Wilcox; Dick Dickinson, Junior Warden; Ashley Herden, Clerk of the Vestry; Becky Herren; Heath Wray; Ellen Durst; Rev. Tom Fanning, Associate Rector; Ray Kinney
Absent: Meredith Bailess, Russ Markle, Martha Frye

- Welcome, Prayer, and Keifer's
- May Agenda
- Approval of the April 2025 Minutes—motion made by Russell, 2nd Heath, unanimous approval
- Vestry Guest: Doug Goodin—update on mission trip plans and funds/budget
- Old / Ongoing Business
 - Treasurer's Report: Lynne Green
 - April 2025 Financials
 - review of report
 - motion to accept April 2025 financial report made by Ellen, 2nd Becky, unanimous approval
 - Mortgage Principal Payment
 - \$170,000 principal payment made 5/2/2025
 - \$100,000 payment made
 - (motion to ratify email vote for another payment of \$100,000 from Capital Campaign toward mortgage principal made by Russell, 2nd Carroll, unanimous approval)
 - \$1,570,321.56 is the current mortgage balance
 - motion to create a continuing resolution authorizing treasurer/co-treasurer to make payments from Capital Campaign account to mortgage principal for any funds in aggregate of \$25,000 and above made by Cliff, 2nd Dick, unanimous approval
 - Gift Acceptance Policy
 - discussed by and recommended to vestry by Finance Committee
 - discussion of policy, edits/changes needed
 - “The Chapel of the Cross reserves the right to refuse or accept any gift or valuation thereof”
 - motion to accept gift acceptance policy as amended by vestry made by Ray, 2nd Becky, unanimous approval
 - Moving \$59,839 from 2024 net income in operating account to “Capital Reserves” in ODR
 - Finance Committee recommends moving \$59,839 from 2024 net income in operating account to Capital Reserves in ODR
 - motion to move \$59,839 from 2024 net income in operating account to Capital Reserves in ODR made by Cliff, 2nd Heath, unanimous approval

- Junior Warden's Report: Dick Dickinson
 - replaced AC in the choir building
 - replaced ballasts in Ed Bldg with LED lights
- Senior Warden's Report: Cliff Agnew
 - Master Plan Update
 - committee has been formed–Bob Williams, Chair; Martha Frye; Chip Triplett; Susan Case; Cliff Agnew; Will Compton (non-voting); and Brett Bailess; will meet June 5
 - Goal is to roll out plan at Annual Meeting in Jan. 2026
 - working on bids over the summer
- The Rector's Ruminations
 - Staff Search Updates
 - had a promising interview with a candidate last week for children's minister position
 - youth search: will use residency program again, Davis made edits to contract
 - new organist starts in June!
 - Day in the Country
 - no extra shirts will be ordered
 - no red beans or gumbo for food booth; discussion of cost cutting
 - Recap of Recent Events
 - parish weekend went well
 - great youth Sunday/reception for Doug
 - Good Shepherd Sunday w/catechesis work went well
 - Golf Tournament–18 teams
 - Bishop's Visit–367 people combined at 8a and 10:30a services
 - Culpepper Cookout coming up!
- Tom's Tidbits
 - scheduling app coming out this month for worship volunteers
 - Walking the Mourner's Path starts 9/16
- New Business
 - Dick Dickinson: Please don't leave alcohol in the Parish Hall; liable if anyone accesses it and is hurt or injured
 - talk to groups and committees
 - kids need to stay out of the kitchen and keep cups and plates inside
- Compline: Will Compton
- Adjournment
 - Motion made by Dick, 2nd Heath, unanimous approval