2026 January Vestry Minutes

Present: Paul Catsos, Jerry Coogan, Jim Dexter, Susan Feyrer, Jennifer Giles, Kathleen Hunter, Billy Kelly, Jay MacLeod, Kathy Mathias, Jennifer McCracken, Mike Quinn, Nancy Rollins.

Absent: Nonie Reynders

The meeting began at 4:40 pm with Jennifer offering an opening prayer.

December Minutes were accepted.

Sanctuary Renewal – Nancy Rollins provided an overview of the sanctuary renewal status, mentioning the Day Away, the subsequent meetings after coffee hour, the straw polls, and the meetings with Warren Street and the contractor. She noted that the key structural aspects of the sanctuary renewal, including window replacement, new insulation, refinishing flooring, and moving the Baptismal font, are fairly set and agreed upon. Further discussion is required regarding altar size, altar rails, painting or wood on the side walls, colors, the main doors, and sound projection equipment. A Teams meeting of the design team, Warren Street, Will Ogmundson, Nicole Densmore, Becky Rylander, Patsy Catsos, and Alice Perry took place on January 6th to discuss the choir area and organ placement.

The Vestry was presented with a new rendering, which encompasses the features that had the most consensus from the Day Away and straw polls as well as the reconfigured choir area.

Jay will introduce Jim Dexter to Craig Howe (contractor) for a meeting to discuss contractual expectations, timelines, and cost.

Nancy will share where the process stands at the Annual Meeting on 25 January as well as the most recent rendering and any information that is gleaned in the next two weeks.

Christian Formation and Education –Jay noted that Jared's Bible Study will begin next Tuesday, 20 January. The Wednesday Zoom Bible Study on Job is underway with roughly five St. Andrew's members and a few from the church in Florida. The pilgrimages to Iona and Taizé are proceeding. Jay noted the national media response to Bishop Rob's statements at the Peace Vigil for the Minneapolis shooting victim. The Vestry discussed at length Bishop Rob's call to action and how the St. Andrew's community might respond.

Finance – Mike Quinn did not get the financials for the month of December until just before the start of the Vestry meeting. He will review and analyze them in the next week and send an email to the Vestry. The reviewed Financial Statements for 2024 were sent to the Vestry

in advance. Mike offered to answer any questions, and a motion was brought for approval. The Vestry voted to approve the reviewed Financial Statements for 2024. In addition, the Vestry was presented with the engagement letter of Rowley & Associates P.C. The Vestry voted to approve the engagement letter of Rowley & Associates PC, formally securing them as our accounting firm. Mike suggests that we have an audit done after 2026.

Buildings and Grounds – Paul Catsos sent in advance a written Buildings and Grounds report. The annual report summarizes all repairs and renovations completed in the last year. Paul provided an update on the lead-free certification for downstairs as a part of St. Andrew's endeavor to create a year-round daycare for up to twelve pre-school age children. The plan is to use classrooms 1 & 2. Paul estimates that the planning and details will take several more months and does not anticipate a vote on Childcare by the Vestry before April.

Annual Meeting – Nancy outlined the agenda for the Annual Meeting, which will take place after the 10:00 service, at 11:30 on 25 January. Alice Perry has created a photographic year in review to share. A description of the changes that have been made to the Bylaws will be read before a vote to accept the changes. A vote will next be taken on the slate of officers and members of the Vestry. The slate is as follows:

- Nancy Rollins to a second term as Warden
- Jennifer Giles to a second term on the Vestry
- Anne Watkins and David Crandall to fill the two additional Vestry vacancies
- Nancy Rollins to fill the vacancy for Western Convocation Delegate
- Jack Feyrer and Alice Perry to fill the Alternate Delegate vacancies
- Mike Quinn to serve an additional year as Treasurer as allowed by the amended Bylaws.

Following the votes, Nancy will summarize where things stand with the Sanctuary Renewal process. The meeting will end with a question-and-answer session.

Worship – Jay noted the conclusion of the Christmas season, and that we are into the ordinary time before the beginning of Lent. Ash Wednesday will commence the Lenten season and all are invited to attend the ecumenical Ash Wednesday Service at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church.

Nancy noted the Listening sessions taking place for the Bishop search will conclude on Sunday. She alerted the Vestry that a survey will be forthcoming to all members and congregants. She underscored the importance on giving feedback on what we think are the most important qualities and qualifications for the new Bishop.

The meeting concluded with a prayer at 5:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Mathias, Clerk

Clerk Note: The next Vestry meeting will be held on Thursday, 19 February 2026 at 5:00 pm