

## CEC October 26 2025 Vestry Meeting Minutes

**Present:** Kent Miller (Sr Warden), Carl Muench (Jr Warden), Barb Dillow (Secretary), Karen Biggs, Jeff Farough, Gina Thomas, John Mc Gowan (Treasurer), Jeri Farough, Bonnie Cochran

Kent opened the meeting at 12:15 PM with a prayer. The September minutes were approved unanimously on a motion by Kent, seconded by Karen. Via an email vote, the Vestry approved John McGowan and Kent Miller serving as signers for the church safe deposit box and removing the current signers. The Vestry also approved reinstating Barb Dillow as Vestry secretary and accepting Tyler Helm's resignation.

**Sr Warden's Report:** (see newsletter) Decisions to be made on whether Postulant Carol Brazeale should serve at CEC from January through June 2026, our priorities for her, and details for the Letter of Agreement. The salary is negotiable and there will be no pension or insurance costs.

**Jr Warden's Report:** A motion was made by Carl, seconded by Barb to approve the service contract from Peters HVAC. It is an unbudgeted expense. It cost \$285 to repair the toilet and faucets in the kitchen bathroom. Gina made a motion to relocate the pollinator garden from the front of the church to the ends of the church. The motion was seconded by Karen and passed unanimously. There is a long list of repairs but progress is being made.

**Hunger Ministries:** Report emailed. We expect the numbers being served to increase with the government shut down.

**Care and Compassion:** No report

**The Foundry:** Report emailed. The New Ventures Grant application for \$25,000 was initially denied but is receiving a second look by the Bishop. It would need to be approved by the Standing Committee if the Bishop approves it.

**Worship:** Our celebration on November 2 will be the All Saints Day Service (not All Saints Day Sunday Service).

**Treasurer's Report:** Presented a draft budget for approval (see email). The numbers will be updated for the final version. After discussion, Gina made the motion to approve, Karen seconded and it was approved unanimously. There is a procedure list posted above the desk in the Vesting Room for Vestry counting. The checks need to be stamped and the host should be present for counting. The Discretionary Fund is currently handled by Care and Compassion but will be returned to the Priest in the future. The Finance Committee is planning to review CEC's policies and procedures and update them.

Next Vestry meeting: Nov 30. Meeting closed at 1:50 PM