

March 30, 2025 Vestry Meeting Minutes
Christ Episcopal Church 12:00 P.M.

In attendance: Barb Dillow, Kent Miller, Carl Muench, Jeff Farough, Gina Thomas, Karen Biggs, Bob Lowe, Fr Ryan

Fr Ryan called the meeting to order at 12:15 P.M. and led the Opening Prayer.

Approval of February Vestry Meeting Minutes and Bishop's Meeting Minutes; motion made by Kent, seconded by Gina, unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report: see attached Feb Financials Report; quarterly payment to Diocese for assessment will be due; clergy compensation figure is high due to the Jan amount included.

Priest's Report: thankful for the Bishop's visit and our new members (Joey, Brooke, Pam and Terry); planning for Palm Sunday and Holy Week; Easter Vigil will be held with Poplar Bluff and Farmington; a van will be rented for the congregants of St Paul-Poplar Bluff to attend the Easter Vigil and paid for from the Discretionary Fund; discussed the Parochial Report (see attached).

Sr Warden (Kent): the letter he wrote in response to the Bishop's request at the meeting is with Fr Ryan now and Fr Ryan is hoping to send it next week; we need to be considering candidates for Treasurer; Fr Ryan mentioned the possibility of 3 people filling the position together.

Jr Warden (Carl): roof will be replaced when weather allows; the patch was completed; there are some damaged shingles which the insurance company will need to be contacted about.

Sexton's new hours: Jeana has agreed to a salary of \$400/month; she will work Mon, Thurs, and spruce up on Sunday; that will be a savings of approximately \$2000/year; she will begin the new schedule and salary on May 1; Congregational Spring Cleaning scheduled for May 3.

Fountain House Update: see attached report; Fr Ryan received a template lease to use; CEC's tax exempt status will not change as a result of renting the Fountain House.

Signs for outside: cost of \$100 each would come from the Evangelism Fund; after discussion, 3 signs were chosen, Easter, General, and Inclusive designs (see attached).

Vestry Counter Procedure: Mary will be at the April 6 service to meet the congregation; she will meet with the Vestry to go over the counter procedure.

Treasurer Search: covered earlier in meeting

Open Floor: Fr Ryan discussed timelines for April and May(see attached).

Closing Prayer by Karen; meeting adjourned at 1:20 P.M.