

Trinity Vestry Meeting

February 24, 2026 / Guild Hall, Trinity

Present: Elizabeth Molitors, Sarah Thomas, Brian Bargiel, Michael Neal Arnold, Keith Cobell, Sarah McCarter, Jean Lange-Davis, Alex Thomas, Jay Casbon, Ellen Whittet, Fred Williams, Lucy Bell, Michelle Petty, Clare Carey Pesani, Claude Garciecelay, and Carol Ann Manzi.

The meeting began at 6:15 PM after a dinner prepared by Ellen Whittet and Fred Williams. Michelle Petty led the group in a devotion prior to the start of the meeting.

Sarah Thomas led the members in a team building exercise that allowed new and current members to become better acquainted.

Agenda Approval

Elizabeth mentioned that the agenda needed updating to include a motion to change the way funds are withdrawn for the Director of Music's housing.

Following this addition, Jean Davis moved to approve the minutes and agenda, seconded by Ellen Whittet.

Financial Report and Investment Overview

For the benefit of incoming vestry members, Keith provided an overview of the financial report, emphasizing the community's generosity and the positive financial performance. He explained the role of the treasurer and the various committees involved in financial oversight, including the Finance Committee, Investment Committee, and Legacy Committee. He introduced a Google Sheets document that provides an overview of the different funds and their purposes, managed by Mission Wealth.

The discussion included the use of investment funds for capital projects and the housing allowance for the Director of Music. The \$21,000 allotted for his housing will now be drawn from the Brackenbury Fund as a lump sum and dispersed monthly. Alex Thomas moved to approve this motion, followed by Jay Casbon and unanimous Vestry approval.

Upcoming Events

Sarah Thomas discussed the leadership retreat which will be held March 6, 5:30-8:00 at the rectory and March 7, 8:30-1:00 in the parish hall. The Wednesday evening Lenten study focusing on the psalms was also mentioned.

Michelle Petty moved to approve the consent agenda, financials, and receive the reports. This was seconded by Fred Williams and unanimous vestry approval.

Following prayer concerns and compline, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25.

Submitted by Sarah McCarter, vestry clerk