

Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church
October 2023 Vestry Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, Oct 18, 2023, 7:00 PM, Parish Hall

All Vestry members were present.

- 1) Devotional time was led by **Keena Meinhart**
 - Devotional assignments for remainder of year: Nov-**Stinnett**
- 2) Minutes from September 13 Vestry Meeting were approved.
- 3) September financials were reviewed.
- 4) The nominating committee presented the final slate of 2024 Vestry nominees. There are 6 candidates: Mary Walton Allen, Lisa Carter, Ting Ting Davis, Charles Hall, Don Johnston, and Jay Walne.
- 5) Delegates/alternates (4+1) for Diocesan Convention, which is Fri–Sat, Nov 17–18, at St. John's. Delegates are Steve Anderson, Keena Meinhart, Erinn Monette, and Jean Woods; our alternate delegate is Bill Barnett. Registration of clergy and delegates/alt delegate is done. The number of delegates was changed from 5 to 4 by the diocese.
- 6) Further discussion of any 2023 Vestry Goals: Bill Barnett spoke about Men's Club: 15 men were at the last meeting – all was good. Bill also presented a bid for the purchase and installation of an iron security gate for the street entry way into the church garden with iron guards for the two arched openings on either side of the entry way. Steve Anderson made a motion to accept the bid and to move forward with the installation. Joe Stinnett seconded the motion. Following a discussion by the Vestry, the motion failed to pass, with Anderson, Barnett, Stinnett, and Blankenship voting in favor of the motion and Hall, Monette, Meinhart, and Woods voting against the motion. Bailey abstained from the vote.
- 7) Other Business
 - A prayer was given by Steve Anderson for the Bishop and John Meecham.
 - The Ghost River trip is planned for Oct 21, and everyone is looking forward to it.
 - Erinn needs someone to teach Sunday school for this weekend (Oct 22) as she is leaving to go out of the country. Laura will cover for Erinn.
 - Bill Barnett talked about having a future barn party at his property.
 - Father Jeff talked about the season and then prayed.

- Father Jeff talked about a change in liturgy for Sunday, Oct 22; there will be The Great Litany rather than a processional hymn for Sunday services. Also, The Supplication will be done before the Prayers of the People. We will pray for peace in Israel and Ukraine.

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

Wed.	Nov 1	All Saints' Day service: Holy Eucharist at 9 AM
Wed.	Nov 1	First-Wednesday Parish Dinner (6 PM)
Thu.	Nov 2	Commemoration of All Faithful Departed – names read at MP/HE
Sat.	Nov 4	Diocesan clergy gathering in the parish hall, 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM (with lunch)
Sun.	Nov 5	Daylight Saving Time ends at 2 AM
Sun.	Nov 5	Stewardship Ingathering
Sun.	Nov 5	Marriage Seminar with Dr. Floyd Covey – 11:30 AM to 3:00 PM (with lunch)
Wed.	Nov 8	Vestry meeting (7 PM)
Fri	Nov 17	42 nd Annual Diocesan Convention at St. John's on Central Ave
Fri-Sat	Nov 17&18	Diocesan YOUNited EYC Lock-in event
	Nov 20–24	Collierville Schools Thanksgiving Break (for the students)
	Nov 22–24	Church office closed
Thu.	Nov 23	Thanksgiving Day service (10 AM) (said service)
Wed.	Nov 29	Saint Andrew's Night – 6 PM (nursery provided IF people ask for it by 11/29)