



VESTRY MEETING
MINUTES Date: June 28, 2026

	Present	Absent
Rector	Mother Sara x	
Sr. Warden (May 2027)	Lisa Watson x	
Jr. Warden (May 2026)	Tara Mancini x	
Treasurer	Will Stewart (also Vestry member, Class of 2028) x	
Class of 2029	vEnessa Acham x	
	Kurt Jacobs	x
	Sebastian Wellford	x
Class of 2028	Joe Neal x	
	Rick Taylor x	
Class of 2027	John Longstreth (also Registrar)	x
	Nancy Morgan x	
	Art Warren x	

The meeting was called to order at 12:50 PM, and began with prayer led by Mother Sara. Mother Sara welcomed Rick Taylor and Sebastian Wellford to the Vestry and Tara Mancini to her position as the Junior Warden.

Item	Discussion	Action
Minutes of April 19, 2026 Vestry Meeting	A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2026 Vestry meeting.	The April 19, 2026 minutes, with a minor format correction, were approved by unanimous vote and will be sent to Andrea for posting.
Financial Report	The Treasurer presented to financial report of May 31, 2026. The Vestry discussed fees associated with donations made by credit card, as well as discrepancies with stock values between donation and time of sale.	No action was taken.
Rector's Report	The Rector highlighted several items from her written report, notable the success of this spring's campaign to increase participation in various missions and parish activities, noting four new volunteers to the Stewardship Committee. She also reminded Vestry members of the need to renew Safe Church training every three years. Mother Sara reviewed activities to hire a new bookkeeper and choir director/organist.	No action from the Vestry was needed.
Senior Warden's Report	The Senior Warden discussed several items from her written report: A letter from All Souls to DC's Council urging the Council to restore funding to local non-profits, including Woodley House, providing emergency crisis support; the status of the draft parish survey; and establishing protocols for funerals and memorial	A committee consisting of the Rector, Senior Warden, and Vestry member Joe Neal was established to develop protocols for funerals and memorial services.

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Building/Junior Warden's Report	The Junior Warden highlighted two items from her written report: Efforts to recover the expenses incurred by the parish to replace the old sewer cap that prevented DC Water from reading our water	No action from the Vestry was needed.

	meter and the status of finding a contractor to repair the retaining wall alongside the alley.	
Funeral/Celebration of Life protocols/Columbarium Agreement	Drafts were presented for Vestry discussion and comment	Vestry members should provide John Longstreth any comments on the Columbarium Agreement
2026 Grants: Recommendations from the Endowment Board	The Endowment Board recommended the following grants: Christ House, \$1,000; Family & Youth Initiative \$750; Anne's Place \$1,750; Outreach Committee (Cuba) \$3,000, Washington School for Girls, \$500; Cleveland/Woodley Park Village \$1,000, Sustainable Villages Honduras \$1,500; Wanda Alston Foundation \$500.	Three motions were made, seconded, and unanimously approved by the Vestry. 1) To allocate an additional \$5,000 for grants, increasing the total amount of grants for 2026 from \$10,000 to \$15,000. 2) To add that additional \$5,000 to the grant to the Outreach Committee for the Cuban church, specifically to complete construction of a residence for the church's rector. 3) To approve the other grants as recommended by the Endowment Board.

Hospitality discussion: July 4; Donation bowl	The Vestry discussed resurrecting the practice of a low-key solicitation for funding for hospitality expenses at coffee hour by putting out a basket for contributions and the need to keep any funds received in response separate from pledge and plate contributions received through the Sunday collection.	It was decided to start such a solicitation.
2026 Stewardship Campaign preview	Mother Sara noted that there will be four new members of the Stewardship Committee from the 20s/30s group. We are looking for a chair for the Committee	No action from the Vestry was needed.
Confirm last summer meeting	The Vestry discussed whether to follow its usual practice of having only one meeting in July and August.	A motion to hold the July/August meeting on July 26 and the September meeting on September 20 was made, second, and passed unanimously. Mother Sara distributed a book, "Board

		Prayer," and asked the vestry members to read the introduction and chapter 1 prior to the September meeting.
Other Business	No other business was raised.	

The meeting concluded at 2:30 PM with prayer offered by vEnessa Acham. .

Upcoming Vestry Meeting:

- Sunday, July 26, 2026 at 12:45 PM in the conference room.

Respectfully submitted by Art Warren