

# Grace Vestry Meeting Minutes

## April 16, 2026

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### In Attendance

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In attendance: Pastor Steve, Mike Oakley, Maragret Morgan, Ernie Simon, Gary Keranen, Selia Tuten, Sharon Potter, Lucy Smith, Don Siefkes(on Zoom)

Absent: Mike Zubas

Opening prayer Led by Pastor Steve

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### I. Approvals

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- A. March meeting minutes. Approved by Michael, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sharon.
  - B. Financial Report
    - 1) \$22,521.71 deficit
    - 2) Will discuss more next month on how to bring bank balance up to positive
    - 3) Balance approved by Michael, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sharon
    - 4) Motion to receive financial report and file for audit
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### II. Ongoing and New Business

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- A. Pastoral Matter
  - 1) Vestry went into Executive session on Pastoral matter
  - 2) Matter discussed, vestry supported Pastor's decision
- B. Rectory
  - 1) Artist wanting to rent Rectory, asking for permission to:
    - a. Remove interior doors (replace doors upon leaving)
    - b. Have a Sidewalk Sale in the summer using part of parking lot for the event
    - c. Hang items on exterior walls
    - d. Place exterior business sign on building
    - e. Above 4 items accepted by Lucy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ernie
  - 2) Rectory AC unit to be discussed in next meeting
- C. Emergency Response Plan (ERP)
  - 1) Lucy- Chairperson
  - 2) First meeting was in March with discussion of cameras, door locks, ushers, someone in Merifield Hall during both services, Ushers using "Hello" greeting to show awareness of each person's presence, and someone on watch at both Chapel doors w/ phone ready for 911 call
- D. Musical (TV) Bingo
  - 1) Need for food and donation items
  - 2) Need for more confirmed attendees
- E. Church Rummage Sale
  - 1) Martha told Margaret about thought of a rummage sale this summer to raise money for Grace

- 2) Need for a coordinator and helpers
- 3) Mt. Clemens Rummage Sale August 6-9

F. Vestry Basket for H4H Golf Outing

- 1) Vestry members to donate basket, event on June 26, 2026

G. Bequest Money

- 1) Should have notice of remaining \$111,000 by next meeting

H. Sexton

- 1) Not to hire individual salaried person- hire professionals to complete jobs needed for large projects
- 2) Selia will call contractors along with B&G members to get quotes

I. New Business

- 1) Entertainment Nights
  - a. Cards, games, dancing- announcements to be made in 10:30 church service for members wanting these events
- 2) Building & Grounds
  - b. Next B&G meeting 4/25/2026 at 9:00am- need new members

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III. Prayer and Adjournment

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Closing prayer was led by Pastor Steve.

Respectfully submitted, Margaret Morgan☺