

**St. Thomas Episcopal Church Vestry Meeting
Monday, November 14, 2022**

Present: The Reverend Canon Lisa Fry, Rector; Elizabeth Moran, Senior Warden; Edmund Hartt, Junior Warden; Sarah Groman, Dean Jackson, Eileen Morelli, Benji Lowry, Jan Lyle. Terry Mello, Interim Treasurer; Shirley Fierro, Clerk. Excused: Kendra Watkins.

The meeting opened with prayer led by Lisa and a discussion of chapter 1 of *Dignity*.

Interim Treasurers Report: The October 2022 Interim Treasurers Report was presented to the vestry.

- St. Thomas' Church 2023 Preliminary Budget Vestry Presentation for Discussion only was given to all present and line by line discussion ensued. Budget was discussed at length, various ways of meeting the potential shortfall were discussed. The rector offered to go to ¾ time, the vestry was not in favor for the next year while she was also on sabbatical.

Junior Wardens Report: Building and Grounds Sub-Committee agreed that two stoves could replace the current unit. A referral to Building and Grounds was made to discuss replacing the current stove with two units, and to bring a motion to the vestry.

Senior Wardens Report:

Rectors Report: Bishop Thomas Browns visitation was on Sunday, November 14th. The services included 2 parishioners being received from the Roman Catholic tradition and 4 reaffirmations of faith. Both the 7:30 am and the 10:00 am service were followed by a meet and greet for all attendees with Bishop Brown.

Vestry was presented with the stewardship letter for 2023. Corrections and/or deletions to be submitted to the rector as soon as possible so the letter could be mailed.

Other New Business:

- Date changed for December meeting to the 12th of December

Old Business:

- Vestry Nominations: Four people for the next Class are needed for two years. Suggestions were encouraged.

Meeting closed at 8:16 pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shirley F. Fierro, Clerk