

Trinity Vestry Meeting minutes

June 14, 2026

- I. **Opening Prayer** – Stephen Aguillard
- II. **Confirm Quorum & Secretary** – Members present: Fr. Peter Johnston, Bill Cober (RW), Teri Cober (Treasurer), Patrick Briney, Jeff Townsdin (Secretary), Stephen Aguillard, Donna Guillory, and Lisa Farmer.

Approve previous minutes – The minutes of the previous May meeting were reviewed. Stephen made the motion to approve the May minutes and Patrick seconded it.

Adopt agenda – Agenda received and reviewed. Motion to accept agenda by Pat and 2nd by Lisa.

III. **Reports:**

- A. **Rector's Warden: Construction:** Bill stated construction progress is slow, due to waiting for several parts to arrive. **Connector (Narthex to Family Center):** Bill stated that the walls have been installed. **Sanctuary:** Most of the windows in the Sanctuary have been installed. **Bell Tower:** The bell and spiral stairs have been received at Bill's shop. Next thing is to schedule the transportation company and crane for installation. **Narthex Extension:** The Narthex Extension has been approved by the parish government. **Parking Lot:** Bill said the parish government did not approve of the second parking lot entry so we will have only one. The final parking lot will have 28-32 added parking spaces. A cost estimate for this is being worked on.
- B. **People's Warden:** Peter spoke on behalf of David. **Nigerian school:** Funding assistance event "40 for 40" worked out despite the rain that day. **Rear Deck Improvement:** Sail shades were installed on the last work day and are working well. **Connector:** The Connector sole plate (bottom framing member of the wall) formed a rain water trap (since its roof was not complete) and made rain water enter the Narthex. Bill silicon-sealed, only as required, the south Narthex doors to prevent this from recurring. **Tree trunk sections:** remaining from the last work day on the south side of the deck. Jeff said perhaps we could identify where this wood needs to go and set aside a Saturday for moving this wood. Response was that the Atwis would like to have the wood and will make use of their truck and trailer to remove the wood.
- C. **Treasurer:** Teri stated we ended May with \$10K in the general fund.
 - 1. **Scholarship:** A donation has been received to cover Riley's school cost.
 - 2. **Pledge contributions:** Contributions are being fulfilled at a very good level.
 - 3. **St. Mark Coptic Church:** St. Mark's chose to go elsewhere due to incense burning. Therefore, this income ceases.
 - 4. **A/C:** One of the units needed an expansion valve. Of the three A/C units in the back, we lost one. We might need two new units.
 - 5. **Internet:** We now have a new provider.
 - 6. **Merchant Fees:** Fees have increased.

7. **Administrative line:** This line is above budget due to new computers.
8. **Payroll:** Payroll has increased due to more hours worked than budgeted.
9. **Living Stones:** We have not used the credit line yet. Donna asked for the status of the Living Stones pledges. Response was that October is the two-year anniversary. Continued response was that it might be good to consider Living Stone pledges for four years, carry debt, or not build new parking.
10. **Maintenance:** The idea was floated that a named maintenance fund be created for the larger building. It was stated that it would be pointless to track maintenance since we always fix things when needed.
11. Pat moved to accept the Treasurer's report, Lisa F. seconded the motion.

D. Care Guild: Peter spoke.

1. Bill & Jeanne Leigh are both in the hospital. Bill with a heart issue, perhaps stroke. Jeanne fell and broke her leg.
2. John, assistant Boy Scout Troop leader (Horatio's Troop) has stage 4 cancer with less than 50% chance of survival. He visited at church recently.
3. Adele has been sick with a cold and also has cognitive issues.

E. Outreach & Missions

1. **Nigerian School 40 to 40:** The 40 to 40 campaign is still ongoing.
2. **Kitchen Trailer:** Amy Uchendu has considered starting a Nigerian food truck business and purchasing the kitchen trailer for that purpose. Some skepticism, along with not borrowing and hold harmless stipulation, was expressed.
3. **Pack the back-pack:** A campaign to provide school supplies will be started in July.

F. Rector:

1. **Camp Hosanna:** Peter said attendance number this year was 26 (36 last year). The behavior problem children were not encouraged to attend and they didn't. Donna said that Riley was very good with the kids who attended Camp Hosanna. Peter added that the children repeating attendance knew what the program was like and participated. A good addition to the program may be music theory. The best year will not be measured by the development of the program, but the development of a culture.
2. **Gallery night:** Peter said that it was fun. Peter and Riley's discussion out front was interesting and brought new visitors.
3. **Summer schedule:** will be slower. Sermons will be on the book of Psalms.
4. **Church directory:** The photos are back and look good. Further development will take place over the summer.
5. **Fall sermon series:** This upcoming series will be on the book of Deuteronomy and the 10 commandments. The application of the 10 commandments to the laws of Deuteronomy is interesting. The laws of Deuteronomy were given to prevent injury and death.
12. **Next Vestry meeting:** Meeting to be held on Aug.9.

IV. Closing Prayer: by Pat B.