

Meeting Minutes: St. Matthew's Vestry

June 14, 2026 | Location: Library

Present: Fr. Tim, Kenny Adkins, Mindy Barringer, Kim Beasley, Diane Eberhart (phone), Scott Fisher, Sarah Koriath, Jan Nabors, Ted Sawyer, Bernie Waller, Wilhelmina Wilson

Absent: Amanda Livermont, Dave Lott

Start Time: Noon

Service

Birthday Cards completed by the group

Lunch

Provided by Kim and Jan

Opening Prayer

Fr. Tim opened meeting with prayer at 12:50 PM

Reflection

Provided by Sarah

Approvals and Reports

Motion: Approve May 13, 2026 Vestry meeting minutes

Moved by: Ted

Seconded by: Carol

Outcome: Approved unanimously. All Wall Heating and Air

Motion: Approve May 17, 2026 Vestry meeting minutes

Moved by: Ted

Seconded by: Carol

Outcome: Approved unanimously

Motion: Approve May 2026 Treasurer/Financial Report

Moved by: Scott

Seconded by: Jan

Outcome: Approved unanimously

Old Business

Facility Rental Agreement Status Update – Kim

- Dave, Amanda, and Kim met to discuss and prepare a new draft of the agreement
- A second meeting is set for July 22, when they will go over the liquor addendum
- The plan is to have a draft for vestry review by the August vestry meeting
- A discussion was held about having a parishioner representative present for events involving non-parishioners. We should ensure that a thorough walkthrough takes place every time, with a defined checklist

Pumpkin Patch Fundraiser Update – Scott

- No further information at this time. Beth Fisher received a packet from the company on Sunday, June 14.

Godspell Update – Scott

- Great Fellowship event!
- Strong Outreach component – quite a few from outside the community attended
 - A few people came from Cumming and Marietta, who found us from online advertising
 - One person who attended is considering joining the choir
- Net profit is \$4400, with potentially a \$300 bonus for returning the scripts “clean”

Rector Updates – Fr. Tim

Motion: To financially support Caroline Bowen in pursuing her license in Lay Ministry through the Diocesan education program

Moved by: Carol

Seconded by: Kim

Outcome: Approved unanimously

Youth Incident Follow-up

Background: In May of last year, an incident occurred at a retreat involving a youth participant (parishioner) and an adult volunteer (parishioner), resulting in the suspension of the youth from attending for one year. Fr. Tim, Dave, and Diane prepared and sent a letter to the parent of the youth, outlining the necessary steps to ensure the safety and readiness of the youth's return, but as of June 14 they did not receive a response.

Fr. Tim's Schedule

Fr. Tim will be away for much of July – as a Dean at Camp Mikell youth camp and on vacation for two weeks. Fr. Scott Kidd will be Guest Celebrant on July 19 and July 26.

Action: Fr. Tim will update at August meeting about his trip to Detroit with the bishop.

New Business

Actions requested by ministry committees

Carol: Request to use her new email address carolpodeszwa@gmail.com and not her previous comcast.net address.

Wilhelmina: Feels like the Preschool feels disconnected. We would benefit from building upon our relationship with them. A suggestion was to ask the director Juanita to come to a future vestry meeting. We should be very intentional with our support.

Fundraising approval policy discussion – Fr. Tim

It was decided to hold off on discussion until both wardens were present

Other New Business

Scott: Long Range Planning Committee met on Tuesday June 9 with Dave, Scott, Fr. Tim plus 6 other parishioners. The structure of committee will be co-chaired, as this has worked well before. A discussion of the strategic planning was held, to set the stage for the group moving forward, taking us from the place where the Capital Campaign specifically covers our needs, to a more holistic approach. How do we align with the vision of our church, what does our congregation want? Five people have decided to join the group -- Matthew Toole, Chris and Shay Rouse, Beth Fisher, Ava Kay Champion, and Nancy Griner. We will start with monthly meetings for now.

Fr. Tim: A calendar meeting will be held on Saturday June 27 with church administrator Susan and all ministry heads/representatives to go over the upcoming season and ensure all dates are on the calendar and all ministries are working together.

Next Meeting

Next Meeting: August 16, 2026

July VPODs: Diane and Carol

July Vestry Corner: Diane (due to Susan July 21)

Prayer Concerns and Thanksgivings

Closing Prayer

Father Tim

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 2:20 PM

Submitted by Mindy Barringer, Vestry Secretary, June 22, 2026