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Trinity Vestry Meeting
September 21, 2026

Attending: Rem Houser, Jeff Ollman, Elizabeth Graham, Richard Waddell, Billy Kendall, Justus Armstrong, Traci Courville, Susan Prather and Laura Posey.

Vestry members absent: Kendon Johnson, Evelyn Stahl, and Wright Waddell

Also attending: Father Tim Graham, Father Andy Blakemore, John Shinkle, Linda Shinkle, and Elliott Waddell.

Senior Warden, Rem Houser, called the meeting to order.

Father Tim opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes of the July meeting were presented. A motion was made by Justus Armstrong and seconded by Traci Courville to approve the minutes.

The meeting continued with Senior Warden Rem Houser complimenting our church on the Sunday, September 20 service, the new members being recognized, and the Pot Luck luncheon being well attended.

The Financial Report was given by Elliott Waddell. Several topics were discussed such as raises for staff members, a Capital Campaign and the establishment of a Stewardship Committee. Several suggestions were made in regard to contacting the congregation.

<u>Old Business:</u>

Richard Waddell reported that work will continue toward resolving the water leak in the courtyard. He reported that one estimate of $175,000 to $225,000 had been received. Freeman and Associates has been contacted to look at the courtyard and submit an estimate. Bill Stahl has been asked to join the committee.

<u>New Business:</u>

Reports were received from several committees in regard to their progress.

Traci Courville distributed the list of Volunteer Opportunities available at Trinity along with a contact person for each group. Traci made one correction in the list. The Guild of the Christ Child is coordinated by Kit Duncan, (706) 392-6031. Traci also noted that the Mission Statement for the Welcoming Committee was attached to the Vestry meeting package.

Linda Shinkle reported on the Hospitality Committee's various functions such as preparing for funeral receptions, meals for the sick, parishioners who have a new baby and flowers for the shut-ins.

John Shinkle reported on the selection of our new Choirmaster, Dr. Michelle Folta. She will come on board in October and will work directly with Joseph Golden and Aesook Moon during the

transition period. She is already planning for the Christmas Eve services. Father Tim thanked John Shinkle and the committee for their work. Father Tim also said that a plan will be forthcoming to honor Joseph Golden as he retires.

Father Andy gave a report on the Acolyte teams and their duties. He suggested that in the future a lay person may be needed to assist the acolyte teams.

Jeff Ollman reported that 4 new ushers had been added.

Billy Kendall, chairperson of the Promotional Committee reported that he is looking at ways to promote our church services to the public.

Father Andy reported that work on the new sound system is continuing.

Jeff Ollman distributed a brochure on Legitimation. Jeff is involved with a group that assists fathers in establishing legal rights to their children. In the state of Georgia fathers have no legal right to custody or visitation of their children who are born out of wedlock although the law says that they have a financial obligation. Since these fathers cannot afford to pay an attorney, the Legitimation Station assists them in filling out the proper forms to file with the court. The Legitimation Station group needs a place for an office since the building they are in now is being sold. Jeff asked that the group be allowed to re-locate temporarily to an office at Trinity. Jeff proposed a motion for a 2 month trial basis beginning in October which was seconded by Billy Kendall. The motion was approved.

The meeting adjourned with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Posey, Recording Secretary