

## **Trinity Church**

### **Pawtuxet**

### **Vestry Meeting/Minutes**

**April 14, 2026 5:30 pm**

In attendance: Bob Whittaker, Susan Wrathall, Carol Deming, Jeannette Hogan, Alyson Aharonian, Vickie Ancona, Ann Walter, Rob Duncanson, Kevin Cliff

Absent: Ginny Simms

Meeting opened with Vicky leading prayers.

Minutes were sent ahead and reviewed. Error on page one-spelling of vendor to Carjon. Motion to accept minutes (Carol) and seconded (Jeannette) and unanimously approved.

**Correspondence:** Thank you note from West Bay Chorale and Food Kitchen.

**Vestry Day-3** members went, Dedicated Notebooks” will be given to all vestry members to keep information from previous meetings.

**Housekeeping:** Bishop will be here May 3, vestry members in need of being confirmed or received talk to Mother Susan asap.

### **Appointments:**

A motion was made to accept Kevin Cliff as Junior Warden and accepted. Voting was unanimous.

Assistant Treasurer: Motion was made to accept, seconded and unanimously approved for Margaret Thomas, this is not a vestry position.

office@trinitycranston is the person to take questions about reading, ushering, and Sunday morning, renting hall, safe church. (hours 9-12 on T, W, Th)

Diocesan Vestry Day reflections:

-broke into groups

-bishop had informal Q and A

-grant discussion

-bishop’s address (discussion followed)

### **Bishop’s visitation- May 3, 2026**

Pre-Visitation Questionnaire for Vestry and Staff/Answers

1. Hunters Garage, Pawtuxet Park, PVA, we celebrate history well, Historic Preservation, Traces of the Trade we’re not afraid to look at, Stillhouse Cove, we exemplify the coastal lifestyle, welcoming community into our church

2. Talent Show, Stillhouse Cove Remembrance Kick-Off, Growth of AA Women's Meeting, Physical care of the facility, having interns,
3. Taxes are too high, no affordable housing, lack of diversity,
4. The Diocese can help us by continuing to make grants available to Trinity,

### **Review of Trinity Vestry Planning Day**

(Coral Values in bold, Priorities are the rest of the text)

Question: What are the three biggest priorities:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Right now there are 14 priorities; getting to 3 is our goal. This is homework for all vestry members, and it is DUE this Sunday.

Stewardship Day: see document for interest

Vestry Liaison Fundraising-Vickie

Bishop's Visitation planning-there is still much to do, continue to look for emails

Jeannette (EFM)-will need one more person, it's an excellent way to serve the church, after the bishop visit we will put out information (also this weekend!)

Flags-ask 2 church members and listen to the answer: What do the flags at Trinity mean to you? What would it mean to you if they were not there? Have you noticed any flags in any other churches you've been in?

After we ask and listen, the vestry will come to a consensus. There will not be a vote.

### **Senior Warden/Rob Duncanson:**

- Front doors are now fire safe
- Carjon did numerous jobs
- interior doors are fixed
- DPW picked up excess sidewalk
- many windows are now clean
- Encore did quarterly fire inspection
- Kitchen inspection is complete
- Talks with engineer about window replacement (leaks,air conditioner)
- Motion to approve up to \$12,000 for replacing 4 new windows

-12k is now 8k

Motion made to spend up to 8k on 4 or 2 AC units, windows upon discussion with the engineer, glass in office door, fire door in office closet (seconded, approved)

**Treasurers Report/Ann Walter**

Report does not include Easter

Motion to accept the treasury report. Motion accepted.

Meeting adjourned with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Castellone