Vestry Meeting 12-20-2025

Attending: Jennifer Khaleel, Darcey Tatum, Teresa Guzman, Ruth Mannah, Lorenzo Clarke, Lee Ann Sipe, Kathleen Yugishige, George Herrin, Lawrence Toomey, Jr and Emmanuel Mitchell. Also attending were Fr Fabio Sotelo, Deacon Alyssa Sali, Magalie, Shirley Correga, Nicole Harrison, Al Tubman, Alma Hurtado, Hilary Harmon.

Absent: Brenda Tambe-Dahn, Martha Cuenca, Charmaine Mitchell

Meeting was an in person Christmas Celebration end of year meeting, it was called to order at 10:30 am and began with morning prayer, including a lesson from Matthew.

George gave the financial report. We have received \$367,000 this year up through December 16, and Have had expenses of \$389,519 with a variance of \$22,520. Our pledge receipts are \$222,536 out of a total of \$240,671 pledged with a variance of \$18,135. These numbers in graph form will be in Sunday's bulletin. For 2026 we have pledges for \$207,891, with pledges for the rector's salary totaling \$53,554 and for the endowment fund \$12,360.

George gave an update on a meeting with Promise Haven: they have expressed interest in purchasing the house. Canon Julie Groce will get back with Fr Fabio and St. Ed's on proceeding with this.

Fr Fabio reported on the update of our digital presence: Ben, Easton, and the Diocese are re-vamping our website to make it easier to use. This will be presented to the vestry first.

Darcey reported on the progress of the Safety Committee: there will be a list of watch-persons to look after the campus during services. There will be signs on offices marking them as private.

Our main water pipe broke and a very large amount of water ran into the sewers, and we will have to pay for that. We can file a claim with the water department and get some of that back later, but the January bill will have to be paid. We also have postponed our fire inspection until January and that will cost us \$2500. The smell from the women's rest room in the Administration Building seems to be fixed; if anyone notices a further problem, please let Darcey know. The kitchen

cabinets are losing some of the pins that hold the shelves up: please take care. The refrigerator needs replacing next.

Fr Fabio reported that four people's terms on the vestry run out next month: Jennifer, Brenda, Martha, and Teresa. He has talked to about five people about joining the vestry, but more in the process of discernment would be welcome. Elections will take place in the Annual Meeting on January 25, 2026. Those who would like to run for the vestry need to be interviewed and put their names in by January 11. Vestry retreat will be February 7 and Beth Wright will be here with us for that.

In the last month, there have been four baptisms, six youth confirmed, and the ordination of Alyssa as Deacon. Alyssa will enter the priesthood June 20, 2026, at 2 pm.

Sandwich making on Thanksgiving Day was a great small ministry. Our Lady of Guadelupe celebration was well-attended and had all the parts developed here in the church. The choir and some from the congregation sang carols at LifeCare with and for the residents.

Jennifer requested a vote that the housing allowance for Fr Fabio remain the same for 2026. Darcey so moved; George seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Jennifer expressed thanks to the vestry for their service.

Jennifer closed the meeting at 11:38 am.

Next vestry meeting will be held January 17, 2026, at 9 am via Zoom.