



**Vestry Meeting**  
**Thursday November 17, 2022**  
**6:00 p.m.**  
**St John's Cathedral**

Teleconference toll free call-in # 866-580-6521  
Participant Code: 13968252

**Call to Order- 6 pm**

**Opening Devotion- Barbara Fiser**

**Members Present-** Donna Walker Bell, Barbara Fiser, Paige Hakimian, Will Ketchum, Lloyd Lewis, Lisa McKenna, Claude Moulton, John Sefton

**Members Absent-** Chris Collinsworth, Glenn Guiler, Patrick Kimball, Meg Sacks, Tom Serwatka

**Others Present-** Charles Winney, Terri Barton

**Clergy and Staff Present-** Dean Kate Moorehead Carroll, Rev. Mark Anderson, Megan Cochran

**Quorum-** yes

**Moment of Gratitude-** Charles Winney expressed gratitude for everyone who made the Fall Festival a success, especially Pam Searcy and George Booth. Dean Kate expressed gratitude for the Celebration Singers.

**Approval of Minutes-** After review of the 10/20/22 meeting minutes, Donna Walker Bell motioned to approve the minutes and Lloyd Lewis seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

**Pledge Drive and Budget Update-** Will Ketchum provided an update on the pledge drive. The goal for the drive was to raise \$1.5 million and have 350 pledging households. Currently, we have raised \$1,275,448.00 from 246 households. Events around the campaign were fantastic and thoughtfully planned. Dean Kate reported that the 2023 budget will be about the same as 2022. Apportionment is up 30%.

**Financial Report-** Pledge income is down by \$40,000. The Finance committee decided to take care of mold remediation and hold off on further pressure washing.

**Senior Warden's Report/JaxLab Update-** John Sefton reported that the lease is almost ready for approval and should be presented to the vestry at the December meeting. Fundraising will occur among non-members. \$250-300k will be needed for renovations. Barbara Fiser inquired if utilities will be covered in the lease and Sefton confirmed they would. Lloyd Lewis reported that the properties committee is working on getting students safe access to the building while remaining ADA compliant.

**Council Reports**

**WMA-** Rev. Anderson reported that Communications has been thinking about how to make the Sunday service bulletins more accessible to newcomers and those viewing online. The result is a bulletin that can be viewed through the Jax Cathedral app, has larger font and includes lyrics to the hymns. The hope is that the new bulletins will be easier to follow and will allow online viewers to follow along. We have an extensive digital presence with 2,900 YouTube subscribers.

**Outreach-** Paige Hakimian reported that she is super excited about digital outreach and how we might reach college students who are hungry for a church home. Angel Tree is in swing and the Bookstore is selling Family Promise Christmas cards. The council is collecting peanut butter for Blessings in a Backpack children to have to take home over holiday breaks. The last collection was for JASMYN and 282 hygiene products were collected. December 4 will be Outreach Sunday. They would like to have a link to the Outreach Calendar available on the website.

**Parish Engagement-** Donna Walker Bell the next event will be the Thanksgiving Day Potluck. They are looking forward to next year.

**Properties-** Lisa McKenna provided a number of updates. Pressure washing continues and mold remediation is being scheduled for Ingram Lounge and Cummings Chapel. The Safety and Security Task Force is discussing a new security system to accommodate UF School of Architecture students and to upgrade our existing system. The Emergency Preparedness Plan is a work in progress. The Brown House is being painted and is finally brown. Backflow preventers need to be replaced and Debbie Johnson secured a permanent variance for the kitchen grease trap.

**Formation-** Barbara Fiser reported the council hasn't met yet for November but all information is available on the website. She encouraged members to come to Fr. Eric's 12/10 Slowing Down in a Hurry Up World mini retreat.

**SubDeans Report-** We are producing an Advent Calendar of Actions pamphlet for families and individuals looking for devotions and ideas for observing Advent. Grandparents Day is this coming Sunday 11/20. There are several TCS taskforces asking big questions that may result in changes to the by-laws soon. The church is moving to a new calendar software to help us better coordinate events and streamline communication.

**Deans Report-** The election for bishop coadjutor is Saturday 11/19. We have three delegates voting now. Members should consider volunteering or registering for the upcoming EPN conference that will be held in Jacksonville in March 2023. In the past we have sent the middle school of vestry members. Celebration Singers and the Discovery ministry were formed as a result of vestry attendance at CEEP (former name of EPN.)

**Other-** Terri Barton reported that Aging True assisted the diocese with the 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary celebration and is sponsoring the CD-J Christmas street party. Tenants are moving into the Ashley Street Apartments. They hope to have the apartments fully rented by 12/31/22. The apartments are intended by HUD for working seniors who make too much for low-income assistance but not enough to afford market value. The ribbon cutting will be 1/12/23. Dean Kate introduced housing allowances for clergy. John Sefton moved to adopt and Claude Moulton seconded. The housing allowances passed unanimously.

**Closing Prayer**

**Phone-A-Thon!**