

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Vestry  
Trinity Episcopal Church  
Fredericksburg, Virginia**

**September 11, 2024**

A meeting of the Vestry of Trinity Episcopal Church, Fredericksburg, Virginia, was held on Wednesday, September 11, 2024 in the Loft.

**Members present (10):** Destine Bradshaw, Chris Brantley, John Deppel, Val Folden, Dave Hosaflook, Prudence Jarvis, John Murray, Tom Rotella, John Tyler, and Carol Walker

**Members absent (1):** Walt Harrison

**Others(1):** Rev. David Crosby

**Call to Order/Prayer**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with an opening prayer offered by Rev David Crosby.

**Report from Register**

Dave Hosaflook called for edits to the August 2024 Vestry meeting minutes that had been distributed. Carol made a motion to accept the minutes. Destine seconded the motion, which was approved.

**Housing Allowance for Rev. Crosby**

Rev. Crosby asked to update the housing allowance to the agreed upon amount of 22,000 instead of 24,000 that was in the original motion. Dave Hosaflook made a motion to update the housing allowance to the following:

“Whereas the Rev. David Crosby is employed as a minister of the Gospel by Trinity Episcopal Church in Fredericksburg, VA, which does not provide a residence for him, the Vestry resolves that of the total annualized compensation to be paid to the Rev. Crosby during 2024, that \$22,000 be designated a parsonage allowance within the meaning of that term as used in Section 107 of the Internal Revenue Code. This designation shall remain in effect until modified by mutual agreement.”

Carol seconded, and the motion was approved.

**Report from Treasurer**

Dave noted that the budget was on track as planned with no surprises. The Vestry accepted the report.

**Senior Warden**

Val discussed some ways the vestry could ensure Trinity continues to address ongoing concerns and assigned them to different committees. He also mentioned that altar flowers would like to get more people involved, and the vestry discussed some alternatives to how they are being distributed as of now.

### **Rector's Update**

Rev. Crosby reported that he was excited to be here and was enjoying getting to know the church and was looking forward to more regular office hours in the future.

### **Junior Warden**

John Murray reported that he contacted the vendor about replacing the loft lights and will call them again to get the lights changed. He also noted the desire to replace the carpet in the lounge with laminate and an area rug. With an anonymous donor already covering half of the cost, Val made a motion to cover the remainder of the carpet cost from the M. Tyler designated fund. John Tyler seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

### **Annual Giving Campaign**

Val suggested that we ask parishioners and a few vestry members to speak from the pulpit on Sunday throughout the stewardship season about what Trinity means to them. The Vestry agreed, and Val will identify volunteers.

### **Adjournment of Meeting/Closing Prayer**

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. with a closing prayer offered by Val.

*Dave Hosaflook*