

Minutes of the Vestry of St. John's Church, Larchmont, NY

May 22, 2025

The Vestry held its regular meeting, in person and by zoom. The membership constituted a quorum, as follows:

Rector: The Rev. Lisa Mason

Wardens: Pete Bennitt (Senior Warden), Chris Plunkett (Junior Warden)

Vestry Members: Erin Constabile, Melany Gray, Dacey Hall, Christine Healey de Casanova, Trish Patterson, Brooks Powlen, Adrienne Skinner, Matt Wrzesniewsky and Sonny Wooten (zoom).

Absent: Gus Harwood, Ollie Maggard and Kurt Weisenfluh

Guest: Dave Ingram (Assistant Treasurer)

The Rev. Lisa Mason called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM. Ministry Moments were shared, and Brooks Powlen led a meditation.

Financial Report: Assistant Treasurer Kurt Weisenfluh, who could not attend, circulated financial reports in advance of the meeting. Assistant Treasurer Dave Ingram reported that the forecast for revenues is slightly ahead of budget. Dave also reported that the investment portfolio was holding steady despite market volatility.

Minutes: *Upon motion duly made and seconded, the vestry approved the minutes from the April 22, 2025 vestry meeting, which had been distributed in advance.*

Parish Picnic: Melany Gray circulated a preliminary sign-up sheet for the parish picnic, which will be held on Sunday, June 8 on the lawn in front of the church. The picnic and sign-up will be publicized via the parish E-news.

Rector's Report: The Rev. Lisa Mason encouraged vestry members to attend the SJEYC grants presentation on June 1 at 6PM. She also briefly highlighted other upcoming events and discussed the procedure to fill an anticipated vacancy on the vestry.

Senior Warden's Report: Pete Bennitt advised that the 2026 Vestry Retreat will be February 6-8, 2026 at the Holmes Center. The church has a credit due to the early termination of the 2025 retreat on account of snow.

Pete advised that Lisa Young, who has been coordinating and rallying ushers, will be transitioning out of that role. Pete encouraged all vestry members to sign up to usher.

Junior Warden/Building and Grounds Report: Chris Plunkett circulated a report in advance of the meeting, as well as proposed bids for roof work to address the church's sloped roofs. After discussion, Chris proposed that the vestry accept the March 15, 2025 bid by Mt. Kisco Roofing totaling \$89,000.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the vestry agreed to accept the March 15, 2025 bid by Mt. Kisco Roofing and to authorize up to \$105,000 to complete the work described in that bid.

ECW grants: Trisha Patterson distributed a list of the recipients of the 2025 ECW outreach grants.

There being no further business to bring before the vestry, Lisa closed the meeting with prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Melany Gray, Clerk

Approved by the vestry, June 7, 2025

Future Meetings:

June 7, 2025 (2pm; mid-year retreat)

September 16, 2025

October 21, 2025

November 18, 2025

December 16, 2025

January 20, 2026

January 25, 2026 (Annual Meeting)

Annual Retreat: February 6-8, 2026