

**St. Paul's Episcopal Church  
Wilmington, NC  
Vestry Retreat  
February 18, 2023**

**Present:** The Rev. Caleb Lee (Rector), Bill Anlyan (Rector's Warden), Brian Buss, Tori Cannon (Vestry Clerk), Layne Dupree, Ashley Eason, Steve Haughey, Steve Martin, Anne O'Dell (People's Warden), Lisa Sanders-Park, Denise Sheehan, Tom Sramek, David Tousignant, Judy Wilson (Treasurer)

**Absent:** Carol Field

The morning of the retreat was spent getting to know one another and hearing updates regarding various topics. During the morning session the Vestry elected Bill Anlyan as Rector's Warden, Anne O'Dell as People's Warden, Tori Cannon as Clerk, and Judy Wilson as Treasurer.

Fr. Lee called the official meeting to order at 2pm.

**Approval of the January Meeting Minutes**

The minutes were unanimously approved.

**Rector's Report**

Attendance has returned to pre pandemic levels. If growth continues, a discussion to discern the need for a new worship service may be necessary. Attendance for the 8am service is generally between 14-25 people and 160-180 people at the 10:30am service, resulting in an average of 182 participants in Sunday worship.

The Ormond Center Feasibility Committee is working to determine if the Administrative staff could be relocated there later this year, recognizing the enhanced benefit of working in closer proximity.

At the Diocesan Convention, Fr. Lee was elected to serve on the Standing Committee as well as a 1st alternate to the General Convention in July, 2024. A focus of the Diocesan Convention was to empower smaller churches.

Bishop Michael Curry will be in the Diocese of East Carolina for Revival on October 21, 2023.

**Treasurer's Report-- Judy Wilson**

The Approved 2023 Budget was reviewed.

A motion was made by Bill Anlyan, seconded by David Tousignant, to request the endowment board to transfer funds from the Bessie Fay Hunt Endowment Fund to be used towards the Nave windows. The motion was approved.

**The Parochial Report**

The Parochial Report was defined as an audit, of sorts, that is required by the Diocese. It includes everything from finances to attendance, membership and outreach. It was provided to the vestry for review. Fr. Lee noted that online views averaged 262 per week. A motion was made by David Tousignant, seconded by Denise Sheehan, to approve the report. The vestry unanimously approved the Parochial Report.

**The vestry voted to adjourn after a motion was made by Bill Anlyan and seconded by Ashley Eason.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Tori Cannon  
Vestry Clerk