



GOOD SHEPHERD

EPISCOPAL CHURCH & SCHOOL

TEQUESTA, FLORIDA

Vestry Highlights

June 2025

The Vestry met on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, for its regular monthly meeting.

A Moment of Gratitude

Janice Thomas led this month's Moment of Gratitude by sharing the Biblical concept of *hesed* or "lovingkindness." Seen throughout the Old Testament as a pillar of God's relationship with us, *hesed* calls us to deep, heartfelt love and compassion. For Janice, one person in our community who embodies the concept of *hesed* is **Tracy Smith**. Tracy is always doing for others and sharing that deep love of God with everyone she meets. Our church and community are truly blessed by her compassion and her faithful witness to God's love. Thank you, Tracy, for helping us experience the presence of God in our midst.

Father Groff thanked the dozens of volunteers who helped make our **annual Vacation Bible School** (VBS) a success! With over 60 campers, he expressed special gratitude to Mary Lou Crifasi, Interim Children's Minister, who led the effort.

With summer here, Father Groff also shared several projects the staff will be working on, including implementing a new cloud storage system for files and updating computer software. Planning for the fall is well underway.

On a staffing note, he announced that **Laz Fernandez has begun work as our part-time Sexton**. Parishioners will begin seeing Laz around campus—please give him a warm welcome! We also welcome **Michelle Lane, our new Parish Administrator and Director of Children's Ministry**, who will begin on July 1. The staff is excited to welcome her and begin working together.

Senior Warden Dan Gilbert thanked Jo Wood for assisting with the continued work on parking lot signage and usage. He also noted that the **new security procedures** during church services are working well, and their implementation has been smooth.

Junior Warden Kevin Riddle reported that the **courtyard pavers** have been leveled and look fantastic. An ongoing issue with the **sewer line** coming from the school has been addressed for the time being, with a larger project planned to permanently resolve it. **Landscaping** remains a focus for the facilities crew, including gathering quotes for a new landscaping contract.

The School has successfully finished the academic year with record enrollment! Over the summer, they will be making facility repairs and updates. **Summer camp**, hosted by the school, will run through most of the summer.

Youth Liaison Sophie Riddle reported that the Youth Group is very excited for their **summer trip to Maine** in July. They will travel to Augusta, Maine, and meet up with our seminarian, Alex Serra-Wolfington, as they partner with Christ Church to lead a camp for local youth. Father Groff, Beth Bohnsack, and Ian Anderson will serve as chaperones. Please keep everyone in your prayers.

The May 2025 financial statement shows total revenues exceeding the budget by almost \$17,500, while expenses were just over budget by nearly \$1,200, due primarily to repairs to the campus. A **net operating surplus of \$40,000** was reported. This is a strong financial position as we enter the summer months, when giving typically slows down as people are traveling. The Vestry hopes everyone enjoys their summer adventures and continues to contribute to the parish's financial well-being.

A consolidated financial report for May is below. Any questions about the budget or finances can be directed to Treasurer Mike Greene. For an update on your pledge or giving, please contact Lynn Evans.

Church Of The Good Shepherd
Analysis of Revenues & Expenses - Summary
May 2025

| | MTD Actual (This Year) | MTD Budget (This Year) | YTD Actual (This Year) | YTD Budget (This Year) | Annual Budget (This Year) | YTD Budget Remaining (This Year) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| Revenues | | | | | | |
| Pledges | \$ 46,217.50 | \$ 55,679.00 | \$ 291,476.86 | \$ 278,395.00 | \$ 668,148.00 | \$ (13,081.86) |
| Contributions | 13,052.16 | 14,708.33 | 79,321.58 | 81,791.65 | 191,500.00 | 2,470.07 |
| Other Income | 18,298.05 | 19,675.01 | 100,184.56 | 98,072.98 | 252,391.73 | (2,111.58) |
| School Contributions | 832.20 | 1,133.58 | 45,300.82 | 40,610.12 | 91,555.66 | (4,690.70) |
| Total Revenues | <u>\$ 78,399.91</u> | <u>\$ 91,195.92</u> | <u>\$ 516,283.82</u> | <u>\$ 498,869.75</u> | <u>\$ 1,203,595.39</u> | <u>\$ (17,414.07)</u> |
| Expenses | | | | | | |
| Stipends, Salaries and Benefit | \$ 46,182.47 | \$ 46,777.75 | \$ 231,220.90 | \$ 233,888.75 | \$ 654,654.32 | \$ 2,667.85 |
| Physical Plant Expenses | 16,613.56 | 12,376.07 | 65,998.80 | 61,880.35 | 160,111.10 | (4,118.45) |
| Diocesan Obligation | 10,448.00 | 10,448.25 | 52,240.00 | 52,241.25 | 125,379.00 | 1.25 |
| Admin/Office Expenses | 3,677.38 | 5,894.16 | 107,012.06 | 106,761.80 | 215,512.00 | (250.26) |
| Program/Ministry Expenses | 5,831.85 | 4,554.16 | 20,066.52 | 20,570.80 | 47,450.00 | 504.28 |
| Total Expenses | <u>\$ 82,753.26</u> | <u>\$ 80,050.39</u> | <u>\$ 476,538.28</u> | <u>\$ 475,342.95</u> | <u>\$ 1,203,106.42</u> | <u>\$ (1,195.33)</u> |
| Net Operating Total | <u>\$ (4,353.35)</u> | <u>\$ 11,145.53</u> | <u>\$ 39,745.54</u> | <u>\$ 23,526.80</u> | <u>\$ 488.97</u> | <u>\$ (16,218.74)</u> |