

The Church of the Ascension
Minutes of the Vestry
February 15, 2023

Present: Rev. Stewart Tabb, Susan Meredith, Mitch Burton, Cindy Jones, Katherine Lawrence, Rick Jones and Kristan Huddle.

I. Welcome: Stewart Tabb called the meeting to order at 7pm. Rick Jones led the opening devotion.

II. Register: A motion was made to approve the minutes of 1/17/23. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

III. Check in: Think of a relationship you would like to deepen or strengthen. What would that look like and entail for you? Discussion followed.

IV. Committee Reports:

Finance: Mitch Burton present: Updated: the projected deficit for 2022 budget was \$-40,685. The actual deficit is \$-5702! Discussion about the proposed budget ended and a motion was made to approve the 2023 Budget, seconded and unanimously approved.

[Budget-Actual 2-14.pdf](#)

V. Vestry Items:

1. Vestry members assigned names to call of people who pledged last year but for whom we have not received a pledge this year.
2. Susan Meredith talked about updating the bulletin boards in the church.

VI. Clergy Report: Stewart Tabb present.

1. Parish meeting is in May. Discussion regarding potential candidates for Vestry membership. Also candidates for Register, as Carol Evans will be taking over the running of the Food Pantry as Jane Hedgecock is resigning at the end of the month.
2. Bishop Haynes will visit March 5th.
3. Holy Hikes will happen the first Saturday of each month (rain or shine). The first one, March 4th, will be at Noland Park in Newport News (close to the Mariner's Museum.)
We will meet at the church at 9:00 to carpool or you may meet us at Noland Park at 9:30.

VII. Schedule/Devotions: Rick Jones led the closing devotions. The next regular Vestry Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday March, 21, 2023 at 7 PM. Susan Meredith to lead the devotions at this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristan Huddle

