

St. Antony of Egypt Episcopal Church
BC Meeting Minutes
June 23, 2025

Meeting Opened at 12:00 p.m.

Members Present: Tim van As, Mother Hillary, Melanie Reeder, Kathy Avery, Jim Foley, Holly Foley, Kathy Gero, Sarah Rogers, Marj Zantek, Chelsea Reeder, Cris McCarty

Members Absent: Sarah Dolbec

Opening Prayer

Gratitude and Thanksgivings

- Dave Peterson for help with facilities' projects.
- Thank you to the Mowing team.
- Thank you cards for Doug Peters and Jackie King.
- Thank you card to Kristen Fabry for all her work with Godly Play.
- Cards were circulated, signed, and will be mailed.
- Verbal thanks to Sarah Rogers & Chelsea Reeder for providing training and expanding the acolyte program.

Approval of Minutes from May 2025 with one correction: Tim was absent last month. Holly made the motion for the minutes to be accepted as amended. Tim seconded the motion. Resolved, The Bishop's Committee of St. Antony's Episcopal Church approves the minutes for June 22, 2025 as amended. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Financial report

- Audit
 - Jackie Kim and Doug Peters have assisted with St. Antony's audit paperwork.
 - Tim and Tucker have assisted at St. Paul's in Bremerton. Tim will continue to help with St. Paul's audit.
 - There were some additional questions about St. Antony's audit, so there will be another meeting to address those.
- The twelve-month goals need to be amended because now they are incorrect. Rather than showing separate months, it's displaying the same as last month.
- The Costco receipts needs to be sorted out because items were charged separately and the total didn't match the submitted receipts.
- A reimbursement check was received from the Dioceses for the shelf in the janitor's closet and for the repairs to same.
- The storage unit for Project Linus' supplies has been paid for another year.

- The Outreach Fund will transfer \$1,260.00 (total for Project Linus) into checking to help with cash flow.
- The insurance cost increased from \$1,500.00 to \$2,100 per quarter.
- Financial Audit is due on June 15th unless an extension is arranged with the Diocese.

Holly Foley made the motion for the treasurer's report to be accepted. Sarah Rogers seconded the motion pending an update on ?? Resolved, the Bishop's Committee of St. Antony's Episcopal Church approves the financial report for the June 23, 2025, as submitted by the treasurer. The motion passed.

Vicar's Report. No questions about this report.

Old Business

- **Property Updates:**
 - *Memorial Garden.* Bill Fagen is willing to handle getting the soil into the garden since he'll have the equipment to do the work.
 - *Church Sign.* At present the rock that will go around the Church Sign rock is stored at Fagans'.
 - The sign will be put up on the same date as the concrete is poured so the kids can put their handprints into the concrete. The timeline for this at present is around the time of Vacation Bible School (VBS)
 - *Time capsule.* Bill Fagan and Chelsea Reeder have been talking about the time capsule. Ellery is going to write something from the kids' POV. We still need a coordinator who will recruit helpers, help decide what will be included, and set a date to collect materials.
 - *Barn Renovation:* Dave Peterson noted that if we would like to have power in the barn, we will need to run conduit. He said that it appears there was power out there at some point. Should we put the conduit in now? Dave also noted that power for the parking lot lights would come from the barn.
 - If we are successful getting the barn to be included as part of the Heritage Barn Register, we will be eligible to apply for grants that will "support [our] efforts to preserve, stabilize and rehabilitate [the] barn." More information can be found here: <https://dahp.wa.gov/historic-registers/heritage-barn-register>
 - Sarah Rogers suggested that we wait until we're actually doing work on the barn to discuss options for power, and it was agreed that we table the discussion until then.
 - *Sacristy Floor:* We are still waiting on Shannon to do investigative work.
 - *Gathering Room:* There has been a lot of improvement here. The tasks that still need to be completed included sanding and painting trim. We have

additional trim available for this task and can purchase more if needed. We have enough leftover paint to complete this job.

- *Parking Lot:* Charles Moorhead has completed pressure washing the parking lot. There was a discussion about painting the lines on July 11 and 12, but since there was not an announcement made about this on July 6, this may have to be postponed. The “slow” days at the church are generally Monday and Tuesday, so this would be a good time to schedule painting.
- *Rain Garden:* Prep work for the garden will happen on July 15, and the Kitsap Conservation District will donate the labor. They will remove the soil and the sod and relocate both to behind the barn where the pond is currently located.

New Business

- **Mortgage.** Canon to the Ordinary, Christi Chapman, has been in touch with Mother Hillary. We are currently looking for someone to advise us from the Steering Committee or from legal counsel. While the Dioceses carries the debt, we are responsible for paying it.
- **Rental House:**
 - The tenants are moving out by the first weekend in July. We currently have one lead on possible new tenant.
 - Currently the rent is \$2300/month. When these tenants moved in, their rent was \$2100/month. Market rate would be about \$2,550 or more/month. We would round this up to \$2,700 to cover property taxes.
 - Jim and Holly Foley, Marj Zantek, and Melanie Reed will do a walk-through. At this time, we anticipate a few large repairs and a few smaller ones. The urgency on getting these done is that we need that income. So, hopefully a work party can be organized and cleanup can happen quickly. We are hoping the house will only be vacant for a month.
 - We might need to keep deposit.
 - The current proposal for rent is to have a new tenant sign a lease for the first year and then go to a month-to-month agreement.
 - There will be a non-refundable pet deposit.
 - Currently we have around \$20,000 set aside to do repairs and pay property taxes.
- **VBS** still needs a nurse who is CPR and First Aid certified still needs. will be Benadryl and sting kits in the First Aid Kit, anyone with allergic responses requiring epi pens will provide their own.
- There will be more **Red Shirt** events happening in the fall. Tim said that his commission is looking to a time to when we're out in the community being seen and doing good volunteer work.
- **Barn Sale.**
 - The Barn Sale is happening on July 27th from 7:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

- There will be some setup on Friday, July 26th but setup can also happen at 6 a.m. on the day of the sale.
- Independent vendors will provide their own tables and cash boxes.
- All money earned from the barn sale, including the 10% received from independent vendors will help fund Parish Life.
- Parishioners who would like to donate items can do so between July 20th and 25th and should be left in the back of the Sanctuary.
- Kathy Gero recommended that sellers keep the prices low.
- **Welcoming:**
 - **Newcomers' Dinner.** The dinner is scheduled for Wednesday, August 27th from 6:00-7:30 p.m. Melanie Reeder will provide the meat. Parishioners who are attending are encouraged to bring side dishes or desserts.
 - **Birthday Month Interviews.** Chelsea Reeder would like to interview parishioners before their birthday month so it could be included in Glad Tidings.
- **Vicar on Vacation:** Mother Hillary will be on vacation from June 30th to July 14th. Rev. Linda Logan will be our supply priest for July 6th and Rev. Dick Scott on July 13th. Rev James Wyatt from Faith, Poulsbo will also be on call for pastoral emergencies. Please call Linda and she will get in touch with the appropriate person.
- **Memorial Garden:**
 - Loretta McGinley has asked that the BC authorize an additional \$10,000 to help fund the garden itself.
 - The BC has already authorized \$50,000 for this project. The team has worked with a landscaper and a landscape designer.
 - The estimate for the landscape design is between \$44,000 and \$57,000 + 9.2% sales tax. \$1,700 has already been spent.
 - They currently need funds rather than plants. It is also possible to donate a brick inscribed with someone's name for the walkway.
 - \$30,000 has already been withdrawn so that it would be possible for the sign and Memorial Garden projects to get started.
 - We would need a timeline so that if additional funds are allocated, they could be released.

A motion was made by Tim van As and seconded by Holly Foley that:

Resolved, The Bishop's Committee of St Antonys' Episcopal Church does not authorize the Memorial Garden Committee to spend an additional \$10,000 of the Memorial Fund's money. We encourage them to educate, inform, and invite the congregation to support this project and to fund the gap.

Suggestions for fundraising include arranging for a presentation after each service to show the congregation what the garden will look like and how the money is being spent. We

recommended that the presentation start with an update and perhaps separate out the \$8,000 which is allocated for the labyrinth. There may be a lot of questions about how the money will be spent.

- **Zimzum Discipleship** gatherings will be on Wednesdays, more details to come. To find out more about this practice: <https://ecww.org/zimzum-discipleship-practices-for-a-christ-centered-life-introduction/>

BC Meeting Dates:

- Sunday July 20- BC Meeting
- Sunday August 24- BC Meeting (Sunday after Church picnic)
- Sunday September 21- BC Meeting
- Sunday October 19- BC Meeting
- Sunday November 16- BC Meeting
- Sunday December 14- BC Meeting

Closing Prayer

Meeting ends at 1:44 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Cris McCarty, Clerk of the BC