

Truro Anglican Church-Regular Vestry Meeting Summary

September 2026

The regular meeting of the Truro Anglican Church Vestry was called to order by Jamie Brown at **7:02 pm** on Tuesday, September 15, 2026.

Summary

Opening items

Jamie opened the meeting with prayer. Turning to Psalm 46:10–11, he led the vestry in a reflection on the Hebrew word raphah ("be still," slacken, cease frantic efforts, and relax one's grip in trust). He encouraged the vestry to rest in the sovereignty of the "Lord of hosts" (Yahweh Sabaoth) as our fortress, leading the room in silent prayer and contemplation. Following the devotional, the vestry engaged in an extended time of prayer for congregational needs.

Initial Matters

The Vestry moved, seconded, and approved acceptance of the Vestry Meeting Minutes of July 21, 2026, noting that informational briefs reflected verbal reports.

Financial Update

Financial Summary Reports – July–August Finance Committee, TPK, and Trinity Burke. Treasurer Don Foy reported on:

- a) Truro Operating Budget, unrestricted giving trends, and investment and ERTC interest income.
- b) Restricted income additions, overall net income, and cash reserves.
- c) Summer flood remediation expenses and insurance recovery payouts.
- d) A proposal to realign Truro's fiscal year to July 1–June 30, along with plans for an upcoming 6-month transitional budget.
- e) Long-term capital maintenance priorities, noting the steeple air handler replacement as the top priority for 2027.
- f) TPK's fiscal year completion, surplus, and cash reserves.
- g) Trinity Burke's progress toward managing independent finances.
- h) An amendment to the September 11 Finance Committee minutes regarding a request for a cash flow statement.
- The Vestry moved, seconded, and approved acceptance of the financial reports.
- Jamie and vestry members paused for a brief prayer of thanksgiving for God's financial provision and asked for continued wisdom.

Rector's Report

Jamie reflected on God's growth, guidance, and pruning in the parish this year, noting encouraging signs of vitality across the congregation. He shared personal reflections on the healthy tension between consistency and "holy discontent" to encourage Truro's ongoing spiritual and organizational growth. He invited the vestry to remain thankful, watchful, and receptive to God's direction, noting that these themes will be explored further at the upcoming vestry retreat.

Business

- a) A Decision Brief was presented to appoint a new member to the Personnel Committee. The Vestry voted to approve.
- b) A Verbal Decision Brief was presented to activate the Nominating Committee for the 2026–2027 vestry election cycle and authorize administrative coordination. The Vestry voted to approve.

Officer and Other Reports

- a) Director of Operations Report:
 - Facility Projects: Updates on Undercroft carpeting, baseboard replacement, warranty replacement of hallway vinyl tile, and church office carpet installation scheduled for late October.
 - Diocesan Synod (November 12–14, 2026): Finalized logistics for hosting several hundred attendees, clergy, and ordinations, with volunteer registration opening the week of September 20.
 - Campus Security: Report on an unauthorized building entry and removal of computer equipment; no sensitive data was compromised, exterior door latches were secured, a police report was filed, and additional security cameras were designated.
- b) Senior Warden - No report submitted.

Executive Session

The Vestry entered executive session at **8:13 pm** and ended at **9:00 pm**.

Closing, announcements, and adjournment

- a) Jamie led the vestry in the Lord's Prayer.
- b) The meeting adjourned at **9:06 pm**.

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