

– MINUTES –

ST. ANNE'S VESTRY MEETING OCTOBER 28, 2025

Present: David Fant, Lana Hendrix, Pam Leonard (Clerk), Rich McDonald, Kathy Moreno (Treasurer), Heather Newberry, Clayton Riehle (Jr. Warden), Libby Robertson (Sr. Warden), Josh Rogers, Hans Schmeisser, Alan Smith, Patrick Warren, and Fr. Nathan Wilson

Absent: Jeff Gibbs and Karen Smith

Guest: Ricky Day

1. OPENING PRAYER – Alan Smith opened the meeting with prayer.
2. FORMATION – Fr. Nathan said the feast day for Saints Simon and Jude is today, October 28. The two are celebrated together because of traditions suggesting they were both missionaries who worked together and were both among the twelve Apostles of Jesus. Jesus sent his Disciples out two by two, going out together and working together. Fr. Nathan noted that as a Vestry, none of our ministries stand alone. We must work together to move the church forward.
3. MINUTES – Minutes for the September 23, 2025, meeting were approved as circulated with one correction under Guest Presentation, Item B:
The Junior Warden approved sealing the brick and painting the cross...
4. FINANCIALS – Kathy Moreno shared financial reports for the month ending September 30, 2025, The reports were received as submitted (*attached*).
5. DISCUSSION
 - a. New Ministry Proposal – Patrick Warren presented a proposal for a new St. Anne's ministry called the St. Joseph's Cantina (*attached*), then introduced Ricky Day to share further details on the project. Ricky led discussion and answered questions. The Vestry will vote on the proposal at the November meeting.
6. INFORMATION
 - a. Rector's Report
 - i. Vestry Nominations – Vestry nominees to be voted on at the Annual Parish Meeting include Gayle Belcher, Brenda Doss, Amanda Fowler, and Betty McCorvey.
 - ii. Clerk Nominations – After serving two three-year terms as Vestry Clerk, Pam Leonard will end her service on December 31. Suggestions for a new Clerk are welcome.
 - iii. Rites – None this month.
 - iv. Due to the current government shutdown, there is concern for those in need of food. An increase in requests is anticipated. An effort will be made to petition the congregation for Food Pantry donations.

- b. Senior Warden's Report
 - i. Thank You Notes – Vestry members should have completed their assigned list of thank you notes to parishioners.
 - ii. Ministry Fair – The date for the Ministry Fair has been changed to February 1, 2026.
- c. Junior Warden's Report – All August storm damage repair has been completed except for two security cameras. The Church Insurance claim payment has been received.
- d. Liaison Reports (*attached*)
- e. Upcoming Dates

October 31	All Hallows' Eve Trunk or Treat/ Community Hot Dog Dinner
November 2	All Saints' Sunday (Daylight Savings ends)
November 7-8	Diocesan Convention, Statesboro
November 9	Annual Meeting/Soup Lunch; no Sunday School
November 18	Vestry Meeting
November 27	Thanksgiving Day
November 30	First Sunday of Advent: Wreath making and Angel Tree; no Sunday School
December 16	Vestry Meeting
December 24	Christmas Eve Midnight Mass
December 25	Christmas Day
January 23-25	Vestry Retreat
February 1	Ministry Fair

7. DECISION – None.

8. CLOSING PRAYER – Alan Smith closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Leonard

St. Anne's Episcopal Church

Profit/Loss: 2025 Budget; Month of September & Year to Date (YTD)

	Budget	Month Ended		Year to Date (YTD)	
	2025	9/30/25	9/30/24	9/30/25	9/30/24
INCOME					
Contributions	\$458,152	\$29,279	\$30,599	\$237,661	\$263,867
Interest Income	5,000	11	11	5,011	114
TOTAL INCOME	463,152	29,291	30,611	242,672	263,981
EXPENSES					
<i>Administration Expenses</i>	110,608	8,870	14,859	82,706	82,835
<i>Ministry Areas</i>					
Adult Formation	500	(38)	25	207	360
Missions	1,000	0	0	1,148	100
Outreach	6,250	0	1,210	6,250	4,785
Parish Life	4,800	0	0	2,467	2,797
Pastoral Care	3,250	0	0	405	0
Stewardship	1,200	75	0	75	78
Worship	14,037	705	450	7,924	6,552
Youth Formation	13,650	934	344	9,544	7,841
Total Ministry Areas	44,687	1,677	2,030	28,019	22,513
<i>Buildings & Grounds</i>					
Building Maint	9,625	215	573	7,706	5,520
Cleaning	15,700	1,170	1,236	9,689	13,070
Grounds Keeping	7,900	600	600	5,400	7,259
IT Expense	350	0	0	0	255
Repairs	5,300	2,644	324	8,193	4,359
Utilities	36,700	4,234	3,538	27,022	29,328
Total B & G	75,575	8,863	6,270	58,011	59,791
<i>Payroll & Related Exp</i>					
Rector					
Salary, House & PR Tax	77,250	6,438	6,250	57,923	51,610
Benefits	31,764	3,725	5,349	21,714	15,160
Total Rector	109,014	10,163	11,599	79,638	66,769
Church Administrator					
Salary & Payroll Tax	51,847	4,321	4,195	38,924	37,753
Benefits	17,377	3,007	862	11,945	10,865
Total Church Admin	69,224	7,328	5,057	50,869	48,618
Music Dir & Musicians	43,871	3,656	3,549	31,903	33,111
Nursery & Kitchen	8,619	346	0	4,192	0
Total Payroll Exp	230,728	21,492	20,205	166,602	148,498
TOTAL EXPENSES	461,598	40,902	43,364	335,338	313,637
PROFIT/LOSS	\$1,554	(\$11,612)	(\$12,753)	(\$92,667)	(\$49,656)

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Selected Account Balances Summary

January 1, 2025 vs Month Ended 9/30/25

SELECTED ACCOUNTS	<u>1/1/25</u>	<u>9/30/25</u>
CASH/CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Operating	\$337,460	\$234,270
Investment: CD	100,049	104,902
Total Operating Funds	\$437,509	\$339,172
Restricted Accounts		
Building Fund	51,633	28,147
B & G Maintenance Reserve*	86,970	621
Ministries-Restricted Funds		
Adult Formation	1,000	4,933
Discretionary Fund: Rector	2,252	971
Memorials:Restricted	1,884	1,884
Memorials: Unrestricted	5,290	9,637
Mission Fund	3,744	10,092
Needlepoint	9,043	9,043
Outreach	6,262	21,586
Parish Life-Kitchen Fund	5,200	5,290
Parish Life-Other	9,171	14,512
Pastoral Care	346	5,480
Worship	7,995	19,506
Youth Formation	13,402	26,885
Total Ministries-Restricted Funds	65,589	129,820
Parish's Clerical Reserve Fund	5,680	6,555
Other Restricted Funds	4,296	4,977
Total Restricted Accounts	214,168	170,120
TOTAL CASH/CASH EQUIVALENTS	\$651,677	\$509,292
Endowment-St. Anne's Foundation	140,951	144,386
LOAN	<u>1/1/25</u>	<u>8/31/2025</u>
Mortgage on Ministry Center	\$187,611	\$161,949

* \$55,000 was moved to the Ministries Funds at donor's request

St. Joseph's Cantina at St. Anne's

New Ministry Proposal

1. Name: St. Joseph's Cantina

2. Mission Statement: St. Joseph's Cantina is named for Joseph the most chaste spouse of Mary the mother of Jesus. St. Joseph's Cantina at St. Anne's Episcopal Church will provide financial and service support to existing community resource partners like Hope Dealers Tifton Street Outreach and others as needed.

3. Description and Vision: St. Joseph's Cantina will utilize the available resources from St. Anne's various ministries and the committees attached to them to provide at least one (1) hot meal a month, toiletries, hygiene supplies, food service products, and supplies, new and gently used clothing items, and most importantly a loving, compassionate ministry of presence among the unhoused community in Tifton and surrounding areas.

4. Goals:

-St. Joseph's Cantina will provide at least one (1) hot meal on the first Sunday of each month for the homeless community through Hope Dealers Tifton Street Outreach.

-St. Joseph's Cantina will provide St. Anne's parishioners outreach, service, and ministerial opportunities through participation with Hope Dealers Tifton Street Outreach.

-St. Joseph's Cantina will provide at least 2 loaves of bread and 1 bag of cookies per week, from Loaves of Love to Hope Dealers Tifton Street Outreach.

-St. Joseph's Cantina will be a collection point at St. Anne's to support Hope Dealers Tifton Street Outreach provide non-perishable food items, clothing, backpacks, shoes, hygiene items, notes of encouragement and the like, to support its ministry to the unhoused, homeless, and food insecure children in the Tift County School system and others as needed.

5. Training Requirements (if applicable): No specific skills or training required.

6. Time Commitment: St. Joseph's Cantina will provide 4 hours of service on the first Sunday of each month to prep, serve and clean up the meal and service space. In addition to the meal, Ricky Day will continue beyond the 1st Sunday and provide free haircuts to the homeless as a further ministry opportunity through Hope Dealers Tifton Street Outreach in the name of St. Anne's Episcopal church.

7. Special Gifts/Skills (if applicable): No special gift/skills required.

8. Facilities Requirements (if applicable): On an as needed, well planned basis, the use of shower facilities in the St. Anne's Ministry center may be utilized. Serving the meal takes place away from the main campus of St. Anne's.

9. Financial Requirements (if applicable): Lenten Gift and upon approval, 5th Sunday loose offering to further support Outreach, and particularly a portion/percentage earmarked for support of St. Joseph's Cantina. (Fund to be managed by the Outreach Committee)

10. Additional Comments/Questions:

St. Joseph's Cantina at St. Anne's Episcopal Church can change the world one life at a time through the Hope Dealers Tifton Street Outreach and other vetted, useful, non-profit organizations in the community. We are called to love our neighbors, specifically the poor and marginalized. The homeless people in our community and the rest of the world are our neighbors. We must do all we can physically, spiritually, financially, ecumenically to ensure our brothers and sisters are not forgotten and left in the cold.

The partnership St. Joseph's Cantina has established with Hope Dealers with the support of St. Anne's can be the hands and feet of Jesus to our homeless brothers and sisters. We can support them by being present, serving, caring for, praying with them, and loving them.

LIAISON REPORTS

OCTOBER, 2025

Adult Formation ()

- No report.

Communications/Technology (*D. Fant*)

- No report.

Finance (*J. Gibbs*)

- No report.

Parish Life (*H. Newberry & A. Smith*)

- The 40th Anniversary Event on October 14 went great, and plans for the November 9 Annual Meeting Soup Lunch are underway.
- Plans for the retreat in October 2026 are rolling right along. The committee will meet again November 16 to begin hitting hard on the details of the retreat schedule and the like.
- We need Coffee Hour hosts. An announcement about that will be going out to the congregation in the newsletter and bulletins. If you are willing to step up in November or December, please let Heather know.
- Our annual Build-A-Wreath workshop is scheduled for November 30, the first Sunday of Advent. Kits are ready to be distributed that day. If you have lush greenery in your yard you can bring to contribute that day, please let Alan know.
- The Kitchen Committee is not planning to host a reception after Midnight Mass this year. If you object and would like to take on the responsibility of coordinating, setting-up, and cleaning up after that event, let Heather know.

Pastoral Care (*K. Smith*)

- No report.

Outreach/Mission (*P. Warren*)

- Lenten Gift Planning – Ricky Day and Renee Cannady, President of Hope Dealers, attended our August 19, 2025, committee meeting. Ricky and Renee will work on creating lists of specific perishable and non-perishable food items, personal hygiene products, and small first aid kits. Hope Dealers is partnering with Diversified Enterprises for their lunches on Sundays. Twenty to 30 individuals participate weekly.
- Knots of Love (Sheila O'Neal) – Sheila reported one item sent this month.
- Food Box/Second Harvest (Jimmy Felton & Libby Robertson) – Jimmy and Libby reported that Tyron Spearman from the Georgia Peanut Commission was providing peanut butter for the Food Pantry.
- Emergency Bags (Jimmy Felton) – Jimmy reported that 17 emergency food bags were distributed this month.
- Loaves of Love (Art Lawton) – Art reports that some baking ingredients have doubled in price. The rest have increased by about 25%.
- Adopt-A-Mile (Darrell Walker) – Darrell reported that there would be a cleanup event on Saturday, September 20.
- Angel Tree (Lead To Be Determined) – On August 14, Clayton Riehle spoke by telephone to Danielle Sawdon, the new Activities Director at the Rehabilitation Center. Clayton also emailed Danielle the documents we used last year as information. Sheila is working on the crocheted angels. Art will have the cookies ready.
- TerraCycle (Libby Robertson) – Libby continues to collect and ship socks.
- Hope for Kids Holiday Project (HFK) (Lead to be Determined – Libby reported that the check has been sent for our support of HFK.

Stewardship (H. Schmeisser)

- No report.

Worship (R. McDonald)

- No report.

Youth and Children Formation (J. Rogers)

- Fall Fundraiser: Boston Butt Sales – \$40 each; goal is to sell 150 butts; pickup would be the Monday before Thanksgiving (2-6 p.m. pickup). Tyler Riddle is talking with Tom Coogle about cooker/butts; Jay Johnson is pricing butts through his connections. We also have access to the Cooks smokers and MRS etc. Shelly Schmeisser will work on tickets, sales to begin October 31 at Trunk-or-Treat. All tickets must be sold by November 12. All proceeds go to van fund, and we will start a "Van Thermometer" on funds raised.
- Youth Special Funds – Donor is excited about the Youth Retreat. The date has been set for MLK Weekend 2027 (January 15-17, 2027). Shelly will contact Honey Creek to reserve the weekend.
- All Hallow's Eve – Sarah Cook, Promotions; Naomi Fudge, Kitchen; Suzanne Smith, Candy Distribution; Heather Newberry, POC for Trunks; EYC, Carnival Games;
 - October 22 - Flier distribution (PreYC/EYC 6-7 shorter Wednesday since last day of fall break)
 - October 29 - Decorate grounds; prep kitchen bags, sort candy, last minute prep of carnival games (will include EYC, PreYC and any adults who volunteer to assist)
 - October 15 during supper - Trunk or Treat leader meeting to cover any last minute issues
- Mission Special Funds – Donor wants ministry to occur with this; idea of lawn service for homebound parishioners using money to fund fuel costs, tool cost etc; Jay to contact Libby Robertson and Pastoral Care about a list of parishioners this might apply to; thinking this would be a monthly meet on a Sunday or Saturday afternoon, open to parish to help not just Youth involvement.
- No Meeting October 12 (Homecoming); next Youth Committee Meeting in November
- ASP Mission Trip Interest Meeting – Was held on October 1 with 15 youth attending
- Youth Retreat – Date has been reserved at Honey Creek: October 9-11, 2026
- The committee is asking the Finance Committee about Youth Mission Special Funds being used towards the ASP mission trip?
- The Youth Committee is considering stepping down from being the primary host of *St. Anne's Got Talent* and choosing a smaller fundraiser in the spring for the mission.