

St. James' Anglican Parish  
Vestry Minutes  
31 May 2026

Present: Nancy Hunter, Marion Lockhart, Bea Betts, Jackie Snider, Arlene Montemayor,  
Arlene Waddell, Daphne Hall, Kelly Sneesby  
Regrets: Anita d'Armada, Lane Englund, Linda Wahoski, Carol Walker

\*\*Prior to the meeting being called to order, Colleen Taylor came representing the UCW to see if Anglican ladies would like to be added to their UCW work groups. After some discussion, it was decided that Arlene Waddell will continue being the liaison between the UCW and the Anglican ladies. All requests will go through her.

1. Bea Betts opened the meeting with prayer. Nancy Hunter called the meeting to order at 12:20.
2. **Additions to Agenda:**
  - Update on Search Committee
  - Grad Presenter
  - Feedback on Shared Communion
  - Purchase of Flowers
  - Affirming Church session
  - Summer Holy Eucharist
3. **Minutes** of the March 22, 2026, Vestry meeting:  
Hearing no objections, Nancy Hunter declared the minutes accepted as presented.
4. **Treasurer's Report:**
  - March Income: \$5 131.61  
March Expenses: \$5 186.39  
Loss of \$54.78
  - April Income: \$3 040.00  
April Expenses \$5 075.32  
Loss of \$2 035.32Daphne Hall will place the Treasurer's Report on file for audit.
5. **Correspondence:**
  - Letter from UCW reporting on Pancake Brunch. It raised a total of \$1 063.23. Vestry received a cheque for \$531.61 for our share which will go to two camperships for the Anglican Memorial Camp.
6. **Business Arising from the Minutes:**
  - Scholarship for Religious Training - Bea Betts presented an example from the Eastern Star Scholarship. Students must have completed one year of religious training at an accredited school to qualify.  
The topic of a bursary from St. James is still in discussion. Arlene Waddell and Anita d'Armada phoned St. John's College in Winnipeg for more information. We will put it on the agenda for a later date.
  - Nancy Hunter has sold all her tickets for the Anglican Memorial Camp. \$400.00 was sent to the camp. Tickets are still available for purchase from the camp.
  - Arlene Waddell **moved** that we pay \$100.00 to Judy Elgert for reviewing our finances. Nancy Hunter **seconded**. **Carried**.

## 7. Additions to Agenda:

- Search Committee - The Search Committee continues to look for a new minister. There is no one available currently. Jackie Snider has decided to leave her position on the Committee. They will be seeking an Anglican to represent.
- Grad Award Presentation – Lane Englund will present the award from St. James at NACI Graduation on June 23.
- Shared Communion – The process seems to be improving each time. Nancy suggested that another Cup Administrant is needed. Arlene Montemayor was suggested and let her name stand.
- Flowers - Daphne will look after buying and planting flowers for the two pots beside the Anglican Church bench. Jackie Snider **moved** that we give \$75 to buy flowers for the pots. Marion Lockhart **seconded**. **Carried**.
- Affirming Church - On May 12, Lynda Lowry along with Nancy Hunter, Lane Englund, Jackie Snider and Kelly Sneesby participated in a Zoom meeting which provided information and a sharing of experiences and ideas on the topic. Participants were from a variety of churches: those who were already Affirming Churches, some who were in the process of becoming Affirming, and some who Affirming-curious i.e. seeking some initial information on the idea.
  - Lynda reported that there is a specific process involved for a community of faith that wishes to become Affirming; and it may take one or several years to go through the process of learning about this idea and educating others.
  - Proud Anglicans - on the Anglican side, this group provides some information such as a listing of LGBTQ-positive parishes across Canada, and events such as Pride parades.  
Website: <https://www.proudanglicans.ca>
- We have two scheduled Holy Eucharist Wednesdays in July. It was decided to cancel the one Holy Eucharist in August (to give Cheryl a break!) Nancy will let the Bishop and Cheryl know.

## 8. Committee Reports:

- GAP – All Sundays have been filled to the end of 2026. We are working to adjust the schedule to reduce Rita Friesen’s Sundays if possible.
- Worship Committee – no report. Next meeting is tomorrow.
- Mission and Service - Tea/Ongoing Poppy Project
- UCW – no report. The UCW has been busy with funerals
- NUASM Board – no report

## 9. Next Vestry Meeting: September 13, 2026

The meeting closed with the Grace.