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 Emmanuel Episcopal Church

 Vestry Meeting Minutes

 September 8, 2024

In attendance:

Mother Kathy Chris Hartmann (2024) Paula Everett (2025)

Emily Scott (2025) Bill Scott (2026) Tillie Kaufmann (2026)

Elizabeth Cottrell (2025)

1. Minutes August 2024 approved as written.
2. Rector’s Report – Mother Kathy
3. Please allow the Rector and Wardens to complete their reports before asking questions.
4. 85 people attended Aug 25 regional service at Shrine Mont.
5. Kent Miller will be remembered at the ll:15 service on October 13.
6. We are partnering with St. Paul’s UCC to host a Lunch ad Learn session on Medicare of Octo er 15, with St. Paul’s providing lunch.
7. E. Thanks to all who supported our County Fair booth. The cost is $2000/year/church.
8. Shirley Smith Graham, new Missioner for Congregational Vitality and Development, will attend region meeting on October 22 at 4:00 at St. Andrew’s.
9. The Lilly Renewal Grant was not funded for sabbatical in 2025.
10. Vestry terms of Hartmann, Morrison, Cottrell, Emily Scott and Everett end this January.,
11. Caitlin Garvey has started a part-time administrator Working 9 to 3 Wednesdays at Emmanuel and Thursdays at St. Andrew’s for now.
12. Mother Kathy on vacation September 12-21.
13. Tomasina Stephon died early this morning.
14. Senior Warden’s Report – Chris Hartmann

Amadeus will be shown on Sept 14 and Coco on Oct 13.

Potlucks will be held Sept 26 and Oct 24.

Ray and Penny Carroll will organize the Thanksgiving Dinner at 4:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Day.

Someone is needed to maintain a Church calendar.

It was recommended that the Wardens’ reports be included in the Beckford Connection.

IV. Junior Warden’s Report – Elizabeth Cottrell

 A. Episcopal Church road signs and hangers: Thank you to Chris Hartmann for getting the sign on the south end of town hung.

1. Storm damage to roof: Working with Wells Roofing. No date set.

[[1]](#endnote-1)C. Gene’s Plumbing came to check both of the basement-level drains outside each door and make sure they are not stopped up. They cleaned as best they could, but their camera tool did not fit to check blockage lower down.

1. Thermostats: Contrary to earlier report, we still have been unable to set up the ability to control our church and parish hall thermostats remotely. The church thermostat is pretty well programmed, so Mother Kathy should be the only one who can change it. Everyone who uses our parish hall, please remember to turn up (or down) the thermostats after you leave. When not in use, this should be set to no cooler than 76 degrees during hot weather and no warmer than 65 degrees during cold weather.

V. Treasurer’s Report – Joy Bauserman

August income was $20,284 ($10,000 from TOTF) and expenses were ($13,009).

The Vestry will meet to work on the 2025 budget on Saturday morning September 28.

The report was accepted on motion by Bill, seconded by Elizabeth.

Emmanuel’s giving to the Diocese is calculated on a three-year average of pledge income. On motion by Elizabeth, seconded by Bill the Vestry approved $7,524 as our 2025 annual contribution.

1. Food Pantry Report – Paula Everett

Mary Ann Cox is placing orders with Blue Ridge Area Food Bank.

We are talking to Food Lion about a grant.

Averaging 21 recipients.

1. Old Business

Discussed Shenandoah Memorial proposal about buying medical debt. Katherine will do further research including establishing a Peebles fund at the Shenandoah Community Foundation.

1. New Business

We will only serve cookies at Light Up Woodstock Dec 6

Safe church training should be completed by December Vestry meeting.

1. Adjourning prayer was offered.at 6:51.

Minutes recorded by Katherine Morrison, Register

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