VESTRY MINUTES
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

PRESENT: Nikki Clark, Sandy DePlonty, Bruce Lynn, Fran McCall, Ruth Neveu (Clerk of the Vestry), Cal Woodard; **ABSENT:** Gin Mannisto' **GUEST:** None

1. **Opening:** Bruce Lynn opened the meeting at 11:15 a.m. with the vestry prayer.

2. **Review Agenda**: No changes

3. **Public Comment**: None

4. **Ministry Support Team:** None

5. **Review/Approval of Vestry Minutes: Sandy DePlonty moved to approve the May 2026 minutes with the change of start time to p.m. not a.m. seconded by Cal Woodard**. **No opposition or abstentions, motion carried.**

6. **Treasurer's / Endowment / Budget Approval:** Sandy DePlonty reported on the finances and the fact that we have a deficient budget. The future roof repairs were included in the expenses. The reports will be placed on file.

7. **Committee Reports**
   a. Christian Education –None
   b. Outreach – None
   c. Missioners Comment – None

8. **Senior Warden's Report**: Bruce Lynn asked Cal Woodard if Pat of Pat's Lock and Key had taken a look at the door leading from the main church to the sacristy? Cal Woodard did go to see Pat, he took Cal's number but has not gotten back with Cal. However, the door seems to be closing a lot better than it did and it could be due to the dry summer weather. Bruce indicated he would try to get a hold of Pat.

8. **Junior Warden' Report: a.** Cal Woodard reported that Kaysner Roofing is still working on their work schedule. They currently are working on their 2025 scheduled work. They may be able to do the membrane work on the Carrie Street side of the roof this year. **b**. Another issue is snow removal. The cost of snow removal by the city of Sault Ste. Marie Downtown Development Program on the Bingham street sidewalks has increased to $700 for the 2026-27 winter. **Cal moved that we increase budget to pay for the snow removal from city sidewalks to $700 Sandy seconded No opposition or abstentions, motion carried. c.** Cal indicated there is still some plumbing issues in the ladies' room repaired and it will be repaired before long. Discussion regarding Albert Plumbing and Heating and what a good job they have done for different plumbing repairs. The June 2026 service/picnic at Sherman Park this summer was successful, and Gregg Matheny was the grill master and did a great job.

9. **Old Business: a.** Music: Sandy DePlonty explained the process of how she picks the songs, etc. It takes about an hour and a half to pick the songs. Sandy DePlonty supplied a new speaker for the iPad. The Bluetooth connection for this speaker is M18. Discussion regarding the service Cal Woodard that today's service when fairly well however, he indicated that the previous service was somewhat

confusing regarding how it is put together at this time. He will be going to the next mutual ministry meeting to explain the problems that the congregation is having regarding where we are in the service. It was the consensus of the Vestry that he approaches the MST regarding these various issues. There was also discussion of politics in the sermon and how it may affect the congregation. Also, the volume of some of the presenters can sometimes be hard to hear. Therefore, it would be good if everyone used the standing microphone on the podium. Also, it would be good if the booklet listed when the processional hymn, gospel hymn, sequence hymn, etc. are located in the service. **b**. Delegates: Susan Harries and Katie Chipman-Bergsma have indicated they are interested in attending. Dave Cook and Ruth Neveu are also considering going. They will finalize there decision soon.

10. **New Business:**
    a. Regarding a website developer who sent an email to the church, there was discussion regarding the email, and the vestry feels it is not needed at this time.

11. **Next Vestry Meeting**: Meeting Sunday, October 18, 2026. The schedule for vestry meetings will be revisited at the next meeting with the possibility of no November meeting.

12. **Adjournment and Closing Prayers**: **Motion to adjourn made by Nikki Clark and seconded by Cal Woodard. No opposition or abstentions, motion carried.**

Adjourned at 12:06p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Ruth Neveu
Clerk of the Vestry