

*...renew our vision of who we are and what you are calling us to do.....*

**Agenda**  
**Vestry Meeting · October 17, 2016**

**Gathering, Welcome**

**Opening Prayer**

**Call to Order**

- I. Guest: Susan Keeter**  
Amazing Grace – Proposal for Updating ‘Amazing Grace’
- II. Approval of September Vestry Minutes**
- III. Ministry Reports**
  - Finance Ministry
    - Monthly Finance Report
    - 2017 Assessment - \$7,000 as agreed/Update letter due to Diocesan Board by end of the first quarter, 2017
  - Property Ministry – No Report/Updates Below:
    - Received fully executed copy of the NY State Grant
    - Signed Crawford & Stearns Proposal for Services
    - Copy of Vestry Resolution
  - Food Pantry Ministry
  - Wednesday Supper Ministry
  - The Grace Project
  - Building Ministry
- IV. Vision & Strategic Thinking – Reports, Needs and Next Steps**
  - Sustainability
    - Reorganization of Administrative Office/Business Office
  - Stewardship
    - Stewardship Formation – October 30<sup>th</sup>, November 6<sup>th</sup>, and November 13<sup>th</sup>
    - Stewardship Letter – By November 4<sup>th</sup>, Information regarding:
      - Grace’s Ministries/Capital Campaign/PB Visit & The Jesus Movement
  - Capital Campaign Update
    - Discernment Weekend October 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>/Crystal Plummer preaching
    - Small Cottage Meetings Sunday November 13<sup>th</sup> after the service
      - Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 to 7 pm (de Lima)
      - Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 pm to 7 pm (Hungerford/Ryniker)

***WE ARE A TEAM. OUR SUCCESS RELIES ON EVERYONE’S PARTICIPATION.***

*Are we firmly focused on our mission? Are we moving forward on the goals and expectations we set? Where is there measurable progress? Where are we stuck? Are we honoring our group norms and vestry covenant? Do we deal directly with disagreement? How are we handling conflict? Do we enjoy one another, laugh, and have fun together? Are we too immersed in vestry concerns to draw strength and hope from worship? Are we saying ‘thank you?’*

**V. Other Business**

Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup> – Celebration of All Saint’s Day:

Contemplative Service/Special Music

Acknowledgement of loved ones who died since November 1, 2015

Piano Tuning

Eastern Farm Worker’s Sweet Potato Pie Fund Raiser – November 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>

InterFaith Works – Request to give presentation October 30<sup>th</sup>, November 6<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup>

**VI. Presiding Bishop Michael Curry’s Visit December 4, 2016**

1. Hospitality – Reception following the service

2. Ministry

History of Grace

Food Pantry

Wednesday Supper

The Grace Project

Syrian Refugees

Building Ministry

Syracuse Community Choir

Onondaga Earth Corp.

Eastern Farm Workers

CHAFTA

Syracuse City Rotary

ACTS

AA/NA Groups

Schola Cantorium

Individuals/Families of the surrounding community

3. Service –

Liturgy

Programs

Music

Altar Guild

ROTA

4. Communication –

Sarah Alamond

Liason between Grace and Meredith at our Diocesan Office

Attendance on December 4<sup>th</sup>

**VII. Closing Prayer**