

September 2024 Vestry Meeting Highlights

The Vestry met on Tuesday, September 17, for their regular monthly meeting. Every Vestry meeting opens with a time of devotion and prayer, includes reports from the Rector and Wardens, along with a report from the Treasurer. Below are some highlights of other actions taken this month –

- Welcomed new Vestry members, elected at August 25 Annual Meeting. Though terms begin in January, newly elected Vestry members have seat and voice at each meeting for the remainder of the year.
- Heard updates related to Annual Giving and the Audit of 2023 Financials.
- Accepted and approved allocations from the 2024 Tour of Homes Blowing Rock – Grants were allocated to 32 organizations across the High Country, totaling \$90,250.
- Approved additional allocations from the Outreach Committee budget to Rise Against Hunger for our upcoming meal-packing event, Western Youth Network to support a mentors for students with special needs, Nest Academy to support their work with immigrant and refugee youth experiencing the effects of trauma, and infrastructure for Blowing Rock School's Literacy program.

The Vestry at St. Mary of the Hills meets on the third Tuesday of each month, beginning at 5:45PM in the Parish Hall. Anyone from the parish is welcome to attend.