

**Church of the Epiphany
Washington, DC
Vestry Job Responsibilities**

Canonical Responsibilities:

Canons of the Episcopal Church

1.14.2 2. Except as provided by the law of the State or of the Diocese, the Vestry shall be agents and legal representatives of the Parish in all matters concerning its corporate property and the relations of the Parish to its Clergy

General Responsibilities for all Vestry Members

All vestry members are responsible for:

- Offering talents to support the congregation's ministry
- Praying regularly for the rector, leaders and members of the congregation
- Pledging financial support early in the stewardship campaign
- Being active ministers of the Gospel in daily life and work
- Bringing one's whole self to the table; being present – mind, body, and spirit
- Risking openness with one's ideas, beliefs and desires
- Participating prayerfully in all discernments of the Vestry

All vestry members make the following time commitments:

- Vestry meetings, ministry team membership and work – preparation and attendance – currently the second Wednesday of each month
- Vestry retreat(s) – a Friday evening and Saturday as soon as possible after the new Vestry member take office
- Annual meeting
- Weekly worship services (rotating occasionally if more than one)
- Congregational events: coffee hours, meals, fundraisers, adult education programs, etc. as requested
- Diocesan meetings, as necessary