

**Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Houston, Texas**  
**Sample Agenda Vestry Discernment Meeting**

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Information Meeting 10/22 and 11/1  
Agenda

➤ Opening Prayer

➤ Emmanuel's future

Vision and Mission -- Being leaders for the future, for Christ!

Long Range Planning – our Core Values and future focus

Big events for 2012:

Renovare Essentials Conference, Saturday, February 18

Capital Campaign probable late spring: organ, A/C, & other

Warm Heart International Benefit, Saturday evening, September 22

➤ Vestry Criteria and Expectations

➤ What are the on-going duties of the Vestry members?

Monthly meetings (Sunday at 12:45) – leading a faith community!

Being prayerfully in conversation about the life of Emmanuel

Retreats or trainings – growing and learning

February start-up Saturday retreat

Diocesan Wardens and Vestry Workshop (usually February

Saturday)

V-I-C (Vestry-in-Charge) on Sunday

(every 12 weeks plus Holy Days on rotation)

Liaison to groups/ministries

Other assignments for Vestry projects

Presence at worship and many parish events

➤ Next steps

Decision to be a candidate

Preparation of one paragraph bio about you/church

Election at Annual Parish Meeting – January 22, 2012

If elected – Serving Christ, serving the Church, serving our community

➤ Closing comments & prayer