

Minutes of the Annual Meeting July 12, 2020

Opening:

George James called the meeting to order at 9:02am via ZOOM.

The Rev. Nancy Hauser opened with prayer and the congregational prayer. The minutes from the 2019 Annual Meeting were accepted. Celia Kaucic was appointed as Recording Secretary for the meeting.

Rector's Report:

The Rev. Dr. Nancy Hauser thanked everyone for joining in this virtual meeting on ZOOM. She also thanked our out-going Vestry members George James and Frank DiCamillo for their service. She recognized all the Wardens on the Executive Committee, our Acolyte Team, Altar Guild, Bell Choir, Adult Choir, Eucharistic Ministers, Eucharistic Visitors, and Staff. Dave Scott will be the Rector's Warden. Blessings to one another as we are the body of Christ and we should continue to Make Christ Visible in our community.

Senior Warden's Report:

George James thanked the vestry and congregation for their support over the past six years. He reminded the congregation that the biggest challenge Advent faces is to grow the congregation. Many families and individuals have moved away from traditional religions. How do we make our church more attractive/appealing to our community? He also emphasized the need to continue to take care of our church building and grounds. There will be many staffing changes coming about in the next few years and we will need to continue to be good stewards of our church and prove we are a stable congregation.

Ministry Reports:

Capital Campaign:

Collis Townsend, Development Warden reports the campaign has gained momentum and has had a few estate gifts. The congregation has been receptive to the campaign and plan to conclude on Labor Day as not to conflict with the Stewardship Campaign. Jim Palic will head Stewardship with kick off on September 7th and conclude on October 25th.

Our campus needs to address some physical needs and the campaign will hopefully address most of those needs. We will not be hosting the Artisan Fair which supports our local merchants and must find another way to help them. The rummage sale has also been postponed which is a vital service to our community.

Worship:

Cindy Reindl is in charge of the Return to Service committee and surveyed the congregation with a 40% response rate. A report will be compiled and presented to the Bishop for his review as the committee continues to meet and prepare for in-person services.

Buildings and Grounds:

There are many areas that need to be addressed before we can have in-person service in the sanctuary. The HVAC system needs to be upgraded to increase the air exchange within the building. The Internet system is not efficient enough to conduct flawless live streaming. Other concerns are adequate lighting in

the car park; communications within the North and South wings of the building; retrofitting the bathrooms and sanitizing areas of the church.

Our sexton, Brian Walls will be retiring at the end of the year and we will need to find a replacement soon.

Discussion & Questions:

Al Rundle asked about a replacement sexton. Dave Scott reports that we are looking to hire a part-time sexton.

Phyllis Wenner inquired about the Memorial Garden walkway. The stones along the path will need to be repointed for safety reasons.

Adjournment:

Mary Nichols moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:33am. Dave Scott seconded the motion.

Closing Prayer:

The Rev. Dr. Nancy Hauser closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Celia Kaucic, Vestry Secretary