

2020 Annual Congregational Meeting Minutes December 13, 2020

Opening.

The Rev. Anne Kirchmier called to order the 2020 Annual Congregational Meeting and led the opening prayer. The following actions were taken:

1. A motion was made and seconded to approve the December 8, 2019 Annual Congregational Meeting minutes. The motion carried.
2. The Rev. Anne Kirchmier introduced the parishioners who were nominated for the Vestry Class of 2023, including:
 - a. Margaret Bivins
 - b. Matthew Deller
 - c. David Lilley
 - d. Helen Mitchell

The Rev. Anne Kirchmier asked for additional nominations from the floor. No nominations were received and a motion was made and seconded to close nominations from the floor. The motion carried. A motion was made and seconded to elect the new Vestry members by acclamation. The motion carried.

State of the Parish.

1. The Rev. Kirchmier commented that 2020 may not have been the worst year for the world or for our nation, but for almost all of us, it was the worst year in our remembrance.
2. Anne noted that not all the news for 2020 was bad news and invited the parish to celebrate the abundance of on-going and new blessings for St. Andrew's.
3. The Rev. Kirchmier discussed how St. Andrew's continues to live our mission of Building God's Kingdom through Worship, Outreach, and Fellowship and highlighted the following on-going blessings:
 - a. *Vestry Liaison Reports* and the faithful overseeing life and ministry of St. Andrew's.
 - b. *St. Andrew's Staff* and their creativity, dedication, flexibility, humor, and teamwork during 2020.
 - c. *Associate Clergy*; Carol Chamberlain, Travis Greenman, John Herbst and their faithfulness, generosity, and preaching.
 - d. *Outreach* at St. Andrew's including \$10,000 for Outreach in the 2020 budget; numerous projects collecting items and money.
 - e. *Commitment to Pastoral Care* and caring for our members in need.
 - f. *Grace and compassion* that guides the interactions of St. Andrew's parishioners while navigating complicated issues in 2020 including racism, politics, regathering to worship, and pandemic protocols.
 - g. *A successful and on-going 2021 Pledge Campaign*.
 - h. *River Road Communion*.
4. The Rev. Kirchmier identified new blessings for 2020 for St. Andrew's including the following:
 - a. *Bishop Susan Haynes* consecrated on February 1, 2020.
 - b. *The arrival of our Associate Rector, Marc Vance*, and the creativity, compassion, wisdom, faithfulness that he brought to our church.
 - c. *High Technology* that has enabled us to connect in new and exciting ways.
 - d. *Phone ministry* providing loving connection.
 - e. *Special deliveries* by our parishioners delivering small gifts to the homebound in the midst of a global pandemic.

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- f. Surge in *building use* including Tutoring groups, Speech and Language Therapy, Playgroups, Home Schooling, Families in Transition (non-profit focusing on after school enrichment), and expansion of a local small business to offer yoga and other wellness.
 - g. *Formation of Young Adult Ministry team in response to the toll the COVID-19 Pandemic* has taken on our young adults.
 - h. *Formation of Response to Racism* team by parishioners seeking to learn and understand.
5. Rev. Kirchmier thanked parishioners who are elected by the Vestry for their dedicated service and hard work. She called out the following parishioners to receive thanks and a gift:
- a. Ron Graves, Treasurer
 - b. Bill Clock, Register
- Anne thanked Steve Howell for his service and hard work as Junior Warden during the past year.
6. Anne gave thanks to the following outgoing Vestry Class of 2020 for faithfully serving a three-year term:
- a. Cathy Frey
 - b. Fritz Horne
 - c. Chris Robinson
 - d. Bobby Wharton

Closing.

Chris Robinson led the closing prayer.

Blessing and Dismissal.

The Rev. Marc Vance led the closing blessing and dismissed the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Clock
Register