St. Marks Annual Parish Meeting

December 2, 2018

Robbie Roberts gathered the body.

Flo Flores gave the opening prayer.

David Fahey established the quorum.

The following appointments were made: Robyn Englishman, scribe, Jeremy Michael, Flo Flores and Mike Benes election tellers. The appointments were moved and seconded and the motion carried.

The retiring Vestry members: Jeremy Michael, Robbie Roberts and Jennifer Addington were thanked for their service. Then Jennifer Addington was also thanked for her service as clerk.

The slate of candidates was announced: Myra Southwell, Kelly Pope, Jeff Serra and Beth Hunt The congregation was asked to choose three vestry members to replace the outgoing ones.

Robbie Roberts then asked for Volunteers to serve as Convention Delegates to the Diocese. Philip Lloyd, Stephanie Herrin and Michael Thompson were nominated.

The 2017 Annual Meeting Minutes were accepted as posted on the web.

Robbie Roberts presented the 2018 Year End Financial Forecast. He reported income is down \$9,700 from projected. However expenses are \$700 less than projected. A \$4,700 surplus is projected for a budget that was approved with a \$30,000 deficit. He then presented the 2019 budget. In 2019 we collected 84 pledges with an average of \$3,869. We currently have a deficit of \$81,200 for 2019.

David Fahey moved to adopt the budget which was seconded and approved.

Peter Macon gave an update on the New Building. He is meeting with the bank on Monday. We are in the midst of a Critical Capital Campaign. If all goes well we will be in our new building next Thanksgiving.

Rev. Hollar gave the Rector's Remarks. She began with the Rector's Annual Meeting joke. The moral of the joke is either be careful or very specific in what you pray for. We are in our 132 year of being church. She then gave an overview of 2018 emphasizing our Outreach. She highlighted how we show compassion and empathy while following Christ. She explained how we are witnesses of our mission. We have a possibility of expanded space which we must wait 6 weeks to receive our answer. Our expanded space allows us to sustain our ministries financially and go deeper in formation. She described our current space as a 1955 ranch house with a finished basement. It has served us well but we have an opportunity for change.

She then talked about internal growth and deepening faith. How will we become a community rooted in prayer, joyful, sustaining, seeing Christ moving in the community and in our personal lives? How will we connect to one another and hold one another in truth? How will we be intentional with both prayer and connection?

David Fahey then invited folks to use the resource card with questions on each table for discussion.

Election Results: Stephanie Herrin delegate. New vestry members: Beth Hunt, Kelly Pope and Myra Southwell.

Mike Benes then reminded folks Legacy Cards need to be returned by Dec. 30. Legacy 1.0 refers to pledges made 10 years ago and offers an opportunity to revise those pledges. Legacy 2.0 is for those who weren't here then and are responding to an initial ask. A letter will be sent to each member's residence. A Media Display about the Building is also available. The Legacy Pledge cards can be placed in a basked or given to Cindy Thrower. The pledge is over the next 3 years. The goal of the campaign is to obtain commitment from the church to share when approaching banks.

Rev. Sarah then addressed folks reluctance to share with her. As a priest she is raised up to keep the lamp lit with prayers. She is constantly praying for people and having conversations with folk about where God is or where God is moving. She is willing and able to walk with members. She is always available if needed. Trees and Wreaths are here with names on them. Please take the one with your name on it.

Matt Addington: Minister's minister to interruptions.

Welcome Committee has purchased new nametags. Please pick up. There is a cart with baskets where the name tags will live. Let Sarah Milholland or Jennifer Addington know if you don't have one.

The closing prayer was given by Linda Amidei. Dismissed by Deacon Plummer.

> Respectfully submitted, Robyn Englishman