

Minutes of 2011 Annual Meeting

January 23, 2011

Rev. John Weatherly called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m..

Review of Agenda

Appointment of Clerk and Tellers (Outgoing Vestry)

Sara Dillich took the minutes of the meeting. The outgoing Vestry members: Karen Ashworth, James Bailes, Margaret Haberman, and Brenda Huber were introduced and thanked for their service to St. Mark's.

Approval of 2010 Annual Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Bill Mendez to accept minutes of the 2010 Annual Meeting, and seconded by Sheryl Sims. The motion was approved by verbal vote.

Report of the Vestry Nominating Committee

The outgoing Vestry members served as the nominating committee. Biographical information for the vestry candidates is included in the Annual Meeting report. The candidates listed below were introduced:

- Eric Bryda
- Charlotte Brown (2 year term to replace James Weaver)
- Janet Goodspeed
- Thomas Mitchell
- Sheryl Sims (1 year term to replace Mark Spans)
- Gary Smith

The nominations remained opened for 30 minutes.

2011 Stewardship Campaign

The Stewardship Report can be found in the Annual Report. Sara Dillich reported that 81 pledges were received, more than in any of the past several years, for a total amount of \$247,000.

2011 Budget

Margaret Haberman, St. Mark's Treasurer, reported that the 2010 budget ended with a net positive income of approximately \$22,000. The 2010 budget had been prepared as deficit budget (- \$12,000). Similarly, conservative estimates of income and expenses were made in the preparation of a deficit budget (- \$7,700) for 2011.

2009 Audit

Rob Bluey reported on the successful completion and submittal of the 2009 year Audit and thanked the audit committee and Vestry mentors, Jim Bailes and Margaret Haberman, for their help.

Parochial Report

Rev. Weatherly submitted the Parochial Report, which is also included in the Annual Meeting report. Rev. Weatherly noted that 2010 expenses included the paving of the church and was accomplished after a five-year search using usedpeps.com.

Parish Associate's Report

The Parish Associate's report is included in the Annual Meeting report. Rev. Heffner thanked parents, Sunday school teachers and volunteers who have contributed to the success of the St. Mark's Youth Group. Rev. Heffner reported that the students have recognized Ann Sparks for her excellence as a Sunday school teacher. Mark Foster and Ann Brink in particular were commended for their volunteer activities on behalf of the Youth Group. Lastly, Rev. Heffner thanked the Vestry, and especially Jim Bailes, Rev. Cherian, and Emily Cole, for their support last year during Rev. Weatherly's sabbatical.

Senior Warden Report

Jim Bailes summarized St Mark's accomplishments in 2010. These are also included in the Annual Meeting Report. The Health Families activity this past fall was mentioned as especially successful.

Junior Warden Report

Mark Spans was commended for doing a great job as Junior Warden. Mark is now serving in Afghanistan with the State Department.

Adult Christian Education

Rev. Cherian stated that Adult Education on Sundays, which explores topics such as the creed, liturgy, prayer book, serves as the backbone of our church. Al Dominic's report is included in the Annual Meeting Report.

Serving Ministries:

Outreach: Brenda Huber thanked the more than 80 volunteers who helped with the Healthy Families and Angel Tree programs. Kathy Hughes, Rosemary Kley, and Sidoux Mitchell were called out for special recognition for their many contributions to St. Mark's Outreach activities.

St. Mark's Web Page: Rob Bluey thanked Sheryl Sims, St. Mark's webmaster, for the new webpage, which was launched last spring. St. Mark's news and announcements are now also on Facebook. Suggestions for new communication tools are always welcome.

Pastoral Care: Dottie Gibson asked that she be notified if assistance is needed by anyone. If you need help St. Mark's is here for you.

VIC-HOP 2008-9: Rosemary Kley mentions that "Souperbowl Sunday" would be on Sunday, February 6th and asked that parishioners fill the soup bowl for USM in the Narthex.

U.T.O.: The congregation was invited to contribute to U.T.O. using the blue boxes placed in the Narthex.

Youth Group: Tam Slobodin stated that the 2010 Mission Trip report has been submitted. The 2011 Mission Trip will be to Caguas, Puerto Rico in July.

Planning: Nothing to report.

Fellowship: Kathy Hughes thanked everyone who helped with preparations of food for local Shelters, receptions, and the Health Family program.

Worship Committee: Reverend Weatherly recognized and thanked the Choir and the Choir Director, Tatiana Andronikova, the Lay Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers and Greeters, Tellers, and the Altar and Flower Guilds. Lay Reader coordinators Barbara Scott (8 am) and Steven Mitchell (10:00 am) and LEM coordinators Rob Morris (8:00 am) and Jan Moyer (10:00 am) were also commended for their service.

Daughters and Junior Daughters of the King: Pam Smith noted that the D.O.K. report could be found in the Annual Meeting Report.

New Business

Resolution Honoring Rev. Huntington: Rev. Weatherly read aloud a resolution, written by Rev. Cherian, honoring Rev. Fred Huntington, Pastor of San Marcos, who is retiring this month. A motion to accept and adopt the resolution was made by Sheryl Sims and seconded by Jim Bailes. The motion was approved by verbal vote.

Diocesan Annual Council: Rev. Weatherly, Rev. Cherian, Jim Bailes and Douglas Varner attend the Council January 21st and 22nd in Reston, VA. Bishop Jones, Suffragan Bishop of the Dioceses, announced that he would retire next year after the Diocesan Council. Rev. Weatherly was appointed Dean of Region 6, and henceforth will be addressed as the Very Reverend John Weatherly.

The Dioceses won the last appeal to the Virginia Supreme Court regarding the property associated with the breakaway churches.

St. Mark's church increased its pledge to the diocese from 4% to 6% in 2010.

Vestry: Orientation for the new Vestry members will take place on February 1st.; and the Vestry retreat will be on the last weekend in February. The outgoing Vestry members: Karen Ashworth, James Bailes, Margaret Haberman, and Brenda Huber were recognized and thanked for their service to St. Mark's church.

A motion was made by Jim Bailes to close the nominations of new Vestry members and seconded by Sheryl Sims. The nominations were accepted by verbal vote.

Final Blessing and Adjournment: Rev. Heffner gave the final Blessing. A motion to adjourn was made by Bill Mendez and seconded by Jim Bailes. The motion was approved by verbal vote.