

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
January 21, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Father David Lynch at 10:50 a.m. A quorum in accordance with the church bylaws was certified as approximately 50 members were in attendance. An opening prayer and remembrance of the faithful departed, especially Samantha Morris and Jerry Spray, were offered. After a motion by Gabe Conn and a second by Frances Lingrel, the minutes of the January 22, 2017 annual meeting were approved by voice vote.

Bylaws

Revised bylaws were presented to the parish. They reflect minor changes to ensure that the bylaws reflect church practices that are in accordance with Diocesan canons. Following a brief discussion, Steve Flaigle moved to accept the revised bylaws and Randy Goyer seconded the motion. The motion passed by voice vote.

Elections

Retiring Vestry members this year are: Frances Lingrel and John Biggs (Luke Pearce resigned several months ago and his position was not filled at that time). Those retiring were thanked and the following individuals were nominated for the Vestry: John Biggs, Jim Whitaker, and Arla Witte. Jim Gilligan made a motion that the slate of candidates be accepted as presented. It was seconded by Frances Lingrel and approved unanimously by voice vote. John Biggs has agreed to continue as Senior Warden and was reappointed to that position.

The election of delegates to the Diocesan Convention, Deanery Council, and Clericus Meetings was the next order of business. John Biggs, Janece Buckner, and Jim Gilligan have agreed to stand for election, and Bill Carle has agreed to be the alternate. The floor was opened for other nominations. There being no further nominations, it was moved and seconded that the nominations cease and that the nominated ballot become the elected ballot. That motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Rector's and Senior and Junior Wardens' Reports (SEE ATTACHED)

The Rector's and both Wardens' Reports are included in the Annual Report. Looking to the future was the main theme of the Rector's report. Parishioners are working on strategic planning for the church's future in Blue Springs and ways to continue the existing strong in-reach and out-

reach efforts. Expansion of the narthex continues to be on the agenda and a possible additional weekly service is being discussed. A positive attitude about who we are and where we can go was stressed.

The Senior Warden introduced and thanked the 2017 Vestry members and expressed appreciation to Fr. David, Bill Carle, Elaine and Jim Gilligan, and Les Woodward for their continuing and daily support.

Les Woodward indicated that the Junior Warden's report is contained in the annual report booklet.

Stewardship Report (SEE ATTACHED)

Stewardship efforts reflect results that are slightly down. The 2018 pledges total \$147,566 through today; that is down from last year. There were 49 pledges averaging about \$3,000. There were 3 new pledges but 8 dropped pledges.

2017 Financial Statements and 2018 Budget (SEE ATTACHED)

The treasurer went through the 2017 financial statements. Revenues, including over \$24,000 in 2018 pledge prepayments, totaled over \$190,000. Expenses were \$160,000 and included payment of only \$14,621 of the over \$23,000 Diocesan assessment. Total expenses were nearly precisely on-budget; the only non-assessment expense categories more than \$500 over budget were music (\$1,692 over) and grounds/parking lot (\$572 over). Permanently restricted fund balances (Columbarium and Memorial Garden) totaled \$14,000 at year end. The Flower Fund totaled \$14,000, the Memorials and Gifts fund was \$10,000, Outreach and Parish Organizations each totaled \$5,000, the Rector's Discretionary fund totaled \$2,000, and all other funds totaled \$8,000.

The proposed 2018 budget looks very much like the 2017 one in terms of expenses. The reduction in revenues expected in 2018 is being balanced by a proposed further reduction in the Diocesan assessment payment. The 2018 assessment is \$23,190 and the proposed payment is \$10,000.

New Business

A new Strategic Planning Committee is thinking through possible changes that may occur in the church structure and/or operations. A report to help plan for the future will be made to the Vestry.

Chuck Sprofera announced the need for additional ushers at both services and requested that anyone interested contact him.

Meg Swant was thanked for her efforts with regard to church security.

Annie and Stew Scott, Pat Carle, Elaine and Jim Gilligan, Gabe and Rich Conn, and Gary Zumwalt were thanked for their continuing efforts on many of the daily tasks of the church and were presented with Resurrection icons to memorialize that thanks.

The Annual Report may be found on the church website. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m. after a closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Carle
Secretary