

Minutes of Annual Meeting for St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church

January 24, 2021

St. Francis held its Annual Meeting in two sessions. One session at 9 am on January 24, 2021 and another session at 11:30 am on January 24, 2021.

9 am meeting

The 9 am session began at 9 am with the Rev. Brendan Barnicle leading the meeting in the Prayer for the Parish (BCP 817).

The Rev. Barnicle lead the meeting and provided an overview of the past accomplishments of 2020 and the goals for 2021, including outreach to the community and family ministry.

Richard Martens provided an overview of St. Francis' Planned Giving Initiative.

The Rev. Barnicle reviewed 2020 ASA and stewardship results. He also reviewed 2020 financial results and offered 2021 budget. Richard Martens made a motion to approve the 2021 budget and Susy Mekarski seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Rev. Barnicle thanked the outgoing members of the vestry for their service: Herlene Benson, Carole Biskar, Gaby Vaught and Rachel Wilcox. He then introduced the three candidates recommended by the Nominating Committee: Mary Stewart, Kelly McGuffie, Brian Fitzgerald. He also explained that the Nominating Committee had only nominated three people because the vestry can add three or four members every year. The Rev. Barnicle asked for any nominees from the floor. Hearing now, he asked for a motion to approve the three candidates. Susy Mekarski made the motion. Richard Martens seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Rev. Barnicle introduced the convention delegate nominees: Cindy Russell, Mary Stewart, Tiffanie Clifford and Susy Mekarski, and Doug Horton as Alternate. Jim Atwell made the motion to approve those nominees. Peggy Danforth seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Senior Warden Susy Mekarski shared some thoughts on John 13:34, and our mission as a congregation.

The Rev. Barnicle lead the meeting in a concluding prayer, saying the Lord's Prayer.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 am.

11:30 am Meeting

The 11:30 am session began at 11:30 am with the Rev. Brendan Barnicle leading the meeting in the Prayer for the Parish (BCP 817).

The Rev. Barnicle lead the meeting and provided an overview of the past accomplishments of 2020 and the goals for 2021, including outreach to the community and family ministry.

Richard Martens provided an overview of St. Francis' Planned Giving Initiative.

The Rev. Barnicle reviewed 2020 ASA and stewardship results. He also reviewed 2020 financial results and offered 2021 budget. Richard Martens made a motion to approve the 2021 budget and Susy Mekarski seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Rev. Barnicle thanked the outgoing members of the vestry for their service: Herlene Benson, Carole Biskar, Gaby Vaught and Rachel Wilcox. He then introduced the three candidates recommended by the Nominating Committee: Mary Stewart, Kelly McGuffie, Brian Fitzgerald. He also explained that the Nominating Committee had only nominated three people because the vestry can add three or four members every year.

The Rev. Barnicle asked for any nominees from the floor. Gary Thompson nominated himself for a vestry position. There was no second for his nomination. In addition, because Mr. Thompson had not been nominated at the early meeting, the meeting could not vote on his nomination. The meeting did vote on the other three candidates. Susy Mekarski made the motion. Richard Martens seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Thompson subsequently withdrew his name from consideration.

The Rev. Barnicle introduced the convention delegate nominees: Cindy Russell, Mary Stewart, Tiffanie Clifford and Susy Mekarski, and Doug Horton as Alternate. Richard Martens made the motion to approve those nominees. Barbara Bridge seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Senior Warden Susy Mekarski shared some thoughts on John 13:34, and our mission as a congregation.

The Rev. Barnicle lead the meeting in a concluding prayer, saying the Lord's Prayer.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 pm.

Submitted by The Rev. Brendan Barnicle