

**St. John's Episcopal Church 75th Annual Meeting
28 January 2024**

Rev. Roger Haenke called the meeting to order at 10:26 a.m. Quorum was reached. This can be either 20% of Average Sunday Attendance for six months (11.4) or twice the number of Vestry members (2 x 10=20). There were 38 in attendance.

Rev. Haenke expressed appreciation to those whose terms on Vestry are ending (Jane Ferguson, Alejandra Valdez-Beer, and Lynn Young); to Lynn Young (Senior Warden), Jeff Bates (Junior Warden), and Gregg King (Treasurer) whose terms are ending; to David Dennehy (Property Committee) and Pamela Brittain (Outreach) whose chairmanships are ending; and to the Men of St. John's for all they do for the parish.

The Spirit of St. John's Award was given to Jane Ferguson. Iris Atkins had been awarded the Diocesan Servant Ministry Award in November, and this was honored.

David Dennehy moved, Jeff Bates seconded approval of last year's Annual Meeting minutes, and the motion passed unanimously.

Gregg King, outgoing Treasurer, gave the 2023 year-end financial summary and reviewed the budget for 2024. The budget was put into the Annual Meeting booklet along with the Rector's report, Wardens' report and Ministry reports.

BUSINESS SESSION:

There are three vacancies on Vestry. Rev. Roger Haenke reviewed the bylaws and stated that a Vestry member who has served a three-year term may be elected to a second three-year term. Lynn Young and Alejandra Valdez-Beer have agreed to run for election to second terms. David Dennehy is running for election as the third candidate.

Charlie Jacobi moved, Celia Vasquez seconded to elect Lynn Young, Alejandra Valdez-Beer, and David Dennehy to the Vestry for three-year terms. The motion passed unanimously.

Diane Gustafson moved, Lynn Young seconded to elect Debbie Lothspeich and Bob Dunn as our delegates to the Diocesan Convention in November in Palm Desert. The motion passed unanimously.

Alejandra Valdez-Beer moved, Marcia Morris seconded to elect Tom Brzeczek and Jeff Bates as alternate delegates to the Diocesan Convention. The motion passed unanimously.

Rev. Roger Haenke announced that he has appointed Lynn Young as Senior Warden.

Rev. Roger Haenke gave his Rector's report, which appears in the Annual Meeting booklet. Following are his goals for 2024 as given in the booklet.

1. Congregational Growth: In the coming year, through evangelization, I intend to increase membership in the parish by recruiting 4 new families/members.
2. Collaborative Ministry: In the coming year I will collaborate with my interfaith clergy group in Chula Vista to provide 3 interfaith/ecumenical prayer services/community service projects.
3. Evangelization: In the next 12 months, I will continue to reach out to the Latino/Hispanic community by providing a monthly worship and dinner gathering (La Misa in English).
4. Formation and Teaching: In the next 12 months, I will offer 2 educational opportunities to increase the knowledge and faith of the members of the parish.

A general discussion followed. Some of the ideas presented were

- Parishioners to go to local nursing homes to visit those who do not have family in the area
- Forums for discussion on changing the service time to 10 a.m.
- "Adopt a family"; perhaps Head Start could suggest families with needs we could fill.
- Young adult group
- Social media Maria and Joe Love's son has created a presence for St. John's on Instagram and FaceBook. Parishioners are encouraged to "follow" and "like" St. John's.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Diane Gustafson, Clerk of Vestry

Attendance:

Iris Atkins

Gloria Attaway

Tim Attaway

Kurth Barnes

Jeff Bates

Tom Brzeczek

Pamela Brittain

Alice Burnham

Judy Butcher

Bill Cheney

Irene Cheney

David Dennehy

Linda Dennehy

Robert Dunn

Terry Farrelly

Jane Ferguson

Bill Gustafson

Diane Gustafson

Charles Jacobi

Elizabeth King

Gregg King

James Lindshield

Helena Livingston

Debbie Lothspeich

Judy McKay

Marjorie Moore

Marcia Morris

David Naranjo

Lynn Naranjo

Georgene Nightingale

Norma Ojeda

Barbara Oliveira
Nancy Painter
Alejandra Valdez-Beer
Celia Vasquez
Lynn Young