

Episcopal Church of the Resurrection
Annual Meeting, Sunday, January 21, 2108
54rd Annual Meeting at Resurrection

Gather, Eat

Invocation: Father Brent

Approval of Minutes of 2017 Annual Meeting

On motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the 2017 annual meeting were unanimously approved.



BUSINESS MEETING

Rector's Report

- Sabbatical (April 23 – August 12, 2018) was most productive
- Youth Programs have grown in terms of content and numbers
- The implementation of Year Round Stewardship was successful, focused on a Ministry Faire, which will be an annual event, and two Parish Conversations on why we go to church.
- 2018 annual giving campaign: we made budget! Although we were down in overall pledging units (97), individual financial pledges were higher. There were also several estate gifts.
- Outreach ministries
- Interfaith family center/Shelter Week may be in its last year as we know it. St. Vincent de Paul's had purchased land to build 19 transitional apartments for families to stay in while working toward more permanent housing. All participating churches will be involved, but the churches will travel to the families rather than the other way around, giving the families more stability.
- Tiny Houses: a 4th will soon be installed; Bruce and Raymond will be moving to Emerald Village Eugene (EVE) soon.

Outgoing Vestry

- Debbie Rands Cullen
- Richard Heinzkill
- Patty Krier

Brent thanked them for their service and presented them with BCPs.

Incoming Vestry

- Kay Sogge: been with us since this church began.
- Carol Pearce: medical missions, nurse among the homeless, choir.
- Kristin Kalbrener: several years of experience on church councils, including Episcopal Church in Massachusetts

On motion duly made and seconded, congregational members present unanimously approved by acclamation the election of Kay Sogge, Carol Pearce, and Kristen Kalbrener to the 2018 Vestry.

Vestry Appointments

- Senior Warden (appointed by Rector): Jerry Jacobson
- Junior Warden: Jack Marietta
- Clerk: Melissa Whitten

Many thanks to Sandi Orbell who served for two years as Senior Warden.

Many thanks to Patty Krier who served for three years as Clerk.

Oregon Diocesan Convention Delegates 2018

- Chet Kasmarski
- Jerry Jacobson
- Terry Varner

Alternate: Helen Reed

100 pledging units are needed in order to have four delegates; a reason to increase our pledging units next year.

The 130th annual Convention will be Seaside, November 2 – 3.

On motion duly made and seconded, congregational members present unanimously approved by acclamation the election of Chet Kasmarski, Jerry Jacobson, and Terry Varner.

Senior Warden Report (Jerry Jacobson)

- Resurrection is a wonderful community
- Vestry Priority/Goals for 2018: develop a five year plan

Treasurer's Report (Frank Koch)

- Many thanks to Katherine Moyer for her service.
- The approved 2018 budget has income and expenditures of \$270,576; expenses are about \$11,000 higher than in 2017 including 3% increases for staff positions. A new Youth Program staff position was added.
- There were two estate bequests at the end of 2017 that the Vestry included as income, in part, for the 2018 budget. Although these helped make budget, they are not recurring, therefore not sustainable on an annual basis.
- Assets are growing: \$39K up from last year.
- The Parish endowment fund: \$111,000.

PROGRAM

Parish Conversations: a Welcoming Entryway to Resurrection (Roxi Thoren)

Scope of Program

- Roxi will review place and sacred spaces.
- Audience will break into 4 groups and discuss.

Roxi's Background:

- A few years ago she directed a University of Oregon School of Architecture and Allied Arts Design Studio with her students on Resurrection grounds, so there is already a basis for creating a welcoming environment.
- Roxi's interest in parking lots is instrumental in creating sacred spaces for the Lych Gate and entry to the church.
 - Negative: there are drainage issues, pedestrian problems; driving over the roots of the oak trees; sink holes
 - Positives: native oak trees and camas, more than enough parking spots; actually over parked which provides a great opportunity (35 spaces are needed, Resurrection parking lot has 52)

What kind of Welcoming Entryway does the church want as parishioners and guests move from the profane to the sacred?

- There are three entryway designs, from a simple rectangular sign to a Lych Gate
- What is a Lych Gate: *a roofed gateway to a churchyard formerly used during burials for sheltering a coffin until the clergyman's arrival. Today it can be used as a resting place for people as they pass from the profane to the sacred and enter the church.*
- With this particular design there is also a walkway that will be created through the trees and up to the red doors of the church, a welcoming meditative walk before entering a sacred place.
- Google Lych Gates for more information and images.

Financial Resources

- The church has in reserves \$147,000 for grounds maintenance.
- The Vestry voted to include \$5000 for the entryway project.

Break out for Parish Conversations (15 minutes)

- After much discussion, and tallying of votes, 98% of participants voted to build a Lych Gate; the design can be viewed in the hallway on the first floor.

ADJOURNMENT

PRAYERS