St Mark's Episcopal Church Minutes of Annual Meeting Held January 29, 2023

This year's annual meeting was incorporated into Sunday worship. The parish received the document "St. Mark's Episcopal Church 2022 Annual Parish Report "*Widening our Welcome: Administration, Community Care, Worship, Formation,*" which included written reports on various ministries. This report is appended to these *Minutes*.

Meeting Within the Liturgy

- 1. A special *Collect for the Day and Annual Meeting* was offered at the beginning of liturgy.
- 2. For the Sermon, Fr. Christopher McLaren delivered the Rector's Report.
- 3. The Prayers of the People included special blessings and thanksgiving for all lay and ordained ministers involved in serving God's people in our Parish and beyond.
- 4. Following the Offertory, Treasurer Miranda Eastham gave the **Stewardship**, **Finance and Budget Report**.

Business Meeting

- 5. Following Holy Communion and the Post-Communion Prayer, Senior Warden Lucy Sinkular called to order the business portion of the Annual Meeting. Parishioners remained in their pews in the sanctuary for the remainder of the agenda.
- 6. Deb Bluestone was appointed Secretary and Clerk of the Vestry.
- 7. <u>Election</u>: Dave Aley, Darcie Farrow and Amanda Wright were nominated to fill three vacancies on the Vestry for three-year terms. Receiving no nominations from the floor, the Vestry candidates were elected by acclamation. Laurel Leisher-Cabral was nominated as the parish delegate to the Diocesan Convention, and Scott Sinkular as the alternate. Receiving no nominations from the floor, the candidates were elected by acclamation.
- 8. The **Annual Meeting Minutes for January 30, 2022** were received, a committee of the Vestry having approved them at the May 2022 Vestry meeting.
- 9. <u>Acceptance of Annual Report</u>: The Parish officially accepted all **Financial Reports** and **Leadership Reports** in the Annual Report as presented.
- 10. <u>Senior Warden Report</u>: Lucy Sinkular briefly addressed the congregation with a personal reflection, encouraging each member to find his or her place of belonging and contribution in Christ's work at St. Mark's.

Official Minutes with Report

- 11. <u>SMMS Report</u>: St. Mark's Montessori School Director Tricia Morton's report to the congregation included updates on the school's enrollment, funding, remodeling, new programs, and staff retention.
- 12. Introduction of Building Renew Committee members by Fr. Christopher McLaren.
- 13. **Introduction and Rollout of Survey** by Building Renewal Committee member Stephanie Varoz, who asked participants to complete and submit by February 12, 2023.
- 14. <u>Adjournment</u>: Following announcements, Lucy Sinkular adjourned the meeting at 11:25 am.
 - The Rev. Sylvia Miller-Mutia gave the final blessing.
 - The congregation sang hymn #556 "Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart" for the closing hymn, then gathered in the parish hall for a pancake breakfast.

Minutes approved by special committee, consisting of Fr. Christopher McLaren and Lucy Sinkular, for presentation at the February 23, 2023 Vestry meeting.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Fr. Christopher McLaren, Rector

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