

Saint John's Episcopal Church

Annual Parish Meeting

January 20, 2009

The annual Parish Meeting of St. John's Episcopal Church was held in the Parish Hall on January 20, 2009, over a potluck dinner. The Rev. Teresa K Mithen, rector, presided over the proceedings. Senior Warden Julian Long, and Junior Warden G. W. Kelly were present, as were most of the current vestry members. As head of the Executive Committee, Julian presented the nominations for Vestry and Delegates. Two of the three vestry members whose terms were ending, Julian Long and Scott Moore, chose to stand for re-election, Michelle Bowles, however, did not. Susan Brower-Toland was nominated to fill her position. Due to continued growth at St. John's, there are now three delegates to Convention, and so it was necessary to elect a fourth, as alternate, and Jeffrey Berkbigler was nominated for this position. Julian then presented his report as Senior Warden, which is found elsewhere. Among the topics presented in this report were our financial status, including a brief recapping of various financial concerns during 2008, as well as future plans for renovation/construction of the back portion of the Parish Hall/children's area. He also spoke of the proposed new bylaws, of their necessity, the work and extensive revision that had created them. The bylaws had been posted online for some time, and the parish had been asked for their input, and so Julian asked for a vote of approval, which passed unanimously. Julian asked for questions, and Allyce Bullock asked if there was a contingency plan for 2009, if expenses should be greater than income, and Julian replied that there was, that reserve funds had been set aside but it was hoped that these would not be needed.

Junior Warden G. W Kelly then presented his report as Junior Warden, also to be found elsewhere. In it, he recapped the various concerns and projects related to the building and grounds over the past year, including work in the kitchen and both routine and unexpected maintenance issues with the physical plant.

After the Junior Warden's report, Pastor Teresa Mithen asked if there were any other reports to be presented; there being none, votes were taken to approve the candidates for Vestry and Delegates. The slates of candidates both were approved unanimously by a voice vote.

A brief period of announcements followed, including an announcement by Allyce Bullock regarding upcoming Dismantling Racism training, and by Phyllis Mithen and Bryan Cather regarding diocesan news and, specifically, iSeek.

The Annual Meeting of St. John's Episcopal Church adjourned shortly thereafter, at approximately 12:45pm.

Bryan Cather, vestry clerk