

# Draft Minutes of the One Hundred and Seventh Annual Meeting of the Congregation

All Souls Episcopal Parish in Berkeley  
January 23, 2011

The annual meeting of the membership of All Souls Episcopal Parish in Berkeley was held on January 23, 2011 in the Parish Hall of the church at 2220 Cedar Street, Berkeley, California, with the Rector, The Rev. Philip T. Brochard, presiding.

## Welcome and call to order

A quorum of registered participants being present, Fr. Philip T. Brochard called the meeting to order at 11:38 am and opened with a prayer. The agenda was reviewed.

## Minutes of the 2010 Annual Meeting

Moved (T. Burcham), seconded, carried: To dispense with the reading of the minutes.

Thomas Burcham reminded the gathering that it has been agreed to in the past to distribute the minutes a week prior to the meeting.

## Report of the Nominating Committee

Tom Reilly announced the slate of candidates for vestry and delegate to convention.

For Vestry class of 2014: Robert Cross, John Love, Lewis Maldonado and Kelly Marston. Four will be elected.

For Diocesan Convention and Alameda Deanery Delegates: Janet Armstrong, Jim Armstrong, Jennifer Boehler, Massimo Brofferio, Maggie Cooke, Jack Jackman, Jim Moloney, Tom Reilly, Alan Schut, Margaret Sparks, Leslie Watson, Dean Williamson. Six will be elected to serve as Diocesan Convention delegates and Deanery delegates. The remaining six will serve as Deanery delegates and alternates to Diocesan Convention.

## Appointment of Tellers

Grace Telcs announced that Gloria Bayne, Blair Reaser, Sharon Roberts and Andrew Rorabaugh were appointed tellers.

Ballots were distributed, but there were not enough ballots for all those present. While more ballots were being produced, the Parish Choir entertained with a rendition of "The Royal Telephone", a hymn written in 1919 by Frederick Lehman.

The ballots were collected and turned over to the tellers for counting.

## Report of the Finance Committee

Anne Geiger, chair of the Finance committee, referred all to the report of the finance committee and to the 2011 budget approved by the vestry, both printed in the Annual Report. She thanked those who served on the committee in 2010; The Reverend Phil Brochard, Nancy Austin, Don Gates, Roger Glassey, Fred Lothrop, Judith Lothrop, Lewis Maldonado, Caroline McCall, and Grace Telcs. She reported that 2010 was a good year. The rate of pledge receipt was higher in 2010 than in the past. The priory building was purchased due to generous donations by parishioners. The 2011 budget reflects several increases, including a 5% increase for all staff. The parish ended the year in a positive financial position with an overall budget surplus of approximately \$43,000. Although the finance committee recommended that surplus be divided evenly between the General Fund and Property Fund, the vestry voted to allocate \$12,000 in the 2011 budget to fund a youth minister with the expectation that the 2012 budget will have an increase of \$24,000 to continue that position.

#### Report of the Junior Warden

John Cockle highlighted several points from his written report. He appreciated the opportunity to serve as Junior Warden and learned much from the experience. He thanked the many who helped make the parish retreat such a success. He encouraged all to participate in the ongoing census. He spoke of the encouraging growth in various aspects of parish membership, noting especially Sunday School attendance and Small Group participation. Growth is good, but with it comes increased strain on resources. He asked all to look inward and reflect on how each is involved.

#### Report of the Associate Rector

The Reverend Kristin Krantz shared a story about the youth who are currently participating in the Confirm not Conform program. When asked what was working or what they would change, they all said that it was offering them a time and safe space that they were not getting anywhere else in their lives and if they had to change anything it would be to make it a higher priority.

#### Report of Senior Warden

Grace Telcs updated the progress in the areas identified as priorities by the parish during the Mutual Ministry Review process. Pastoral care, thanks in large part to the efforts of Jim Scott, is better organized, with more energy and resources. Small Group Fellowship is being expanded, revamped, developed through the work of Jennifer Joslyn-Siemiatkoski and Dan Prechtel. The vestry has committed to hiring a part-time Youth Minister. Grace thanked the vestry for its diligence, with special thanks to the outgoing vestry members, the clerk, treasurer, chaplain, and Junior Warden. She closed by admonishing all to get involved and try something new and different in 2011.

#### Recognition of Retiring Vestry Members

The Rev. Phil Brochard asked the retiring vestry members, Nat Lewis, Tom Reilly, Marilyn Flood and Natalie Peterson, to come forward. He noted that they were on the vestry that interviewed him, so they were some of the first faces he saw of All Souls. They have served through an interim rector, the search process, calling a new rector.

The retiring members were each presented with a framed photo of the Resurrection icon that graces our worship space.

#### Report of the Rector

Fr. Phil shared excerpts of reports from previous annual meetings. In 1948, the rector reported 526 communicants, 40 baptisms, 21 marriages. In 1950, he spoke of adding a 9:30 Family Service. In 1976, the rector reported putting \$6000 into the curacy fund in order to hire a curate. In 1986, it was noted that All Souls outreach gave \$20,000 for a priest at Good Shepherd.

Fr. Phil announced that he will be taking a three month sabbatical this year, spending Sept.-Nov. in Oxford, England. Don Brown will be the interim during his absence. He also introduced the new Senior Warden, Michelle Barger.

The Rector's Cross was given to the 1601 Group (Marilyn Flood, Rick Sweeney, Dave Cooke, Caitlin Lempres-Brostrom) for their work on all the aspects of acquiring the property at 1601 Oxford.

#### Report of the Tellers

Grace Telcs announced that Robert Cross, John Love, Lewis Maldonado and Kelly Marston were elected to the vestry.

Jim Armstrong, Massimo Brofferio, Maggie Cooke, Tom Reilly, Alan Shut and Margaret Sparks were elected to be Deanery and Diocesan convention delegates. Janet Armstrong, Jennifer Boehler, Jack Jackman, Jim Moloney, Leslie Watson and Dean Williamson will serve as Deanery delegates and Diocesan alternates.

#### Dismissal

The meeting closed at 12:50pm with prayer, dismissal and a hymn.

Moved (R. Lavery), seconded, carried: That the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathy Thompson, Clerk