

# St. Stephen's Annual Meeting

## February 6, 2022

Annual Meeting of St. Stephen's Parish, Pittsfield, Massachusetts

The meeting was hybrid; held both during the 10:00 a.m. service and via Zoom at 12:00 p.m.  
Sunday, Feb. 6, 2022

The annual meeting this year was held in a hybrid manner: during the 10:00 a.m. service which was in person as well as live streamed and after on Zoom to give as many parishioners as possible an opportunity to be included and to vote. Approximately 54 people attended in person and 10 parishioners attended via ZOOM (4 of whom were not at the 10:00 a.m. service). (Not sure how many watched the live streaming)

Meeting is called to order by Rev. Nina R. Pooley at 10:00 a.m.

Erin Sullivan called the ZOOM meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

**Opening prayer:** Given by Rev. Dr. Nina R. Pooley in person as well as ZOOM

### **Nominations and approvals:**

#### Officers Electing Today:

**Co-Warden** Josephine Ellis, term ends 2024/Annual Meeting 2025

**Asst. Treasurer** Suzanne White, 2024

#### Vestry Members electing today:

**2nd term, ending 2024/ann. Meeting 2025:** Christopher Plankey, Wendy Webster Coakley

**1st term, ending 2024/ann. Meeting 2025:** John Garinther, David Nevin, Christina Wynn

#### Delegates to Diocesan Convention 2022:

Wardens, Treasurer

Alternates: Al Symonds, Lois Symonds

During the in person meeting: James Cawse motioned and Joan Morrow seconded and all were in favor of the nominations for Vestry and delegates and alternates for the Diocesan Convention.

During the ZOOM meeting: Craig Smith motioned and Stephanie Talanian seconded and all were in favor of the nominations for Vestry and delegates and alternates for the Diocesan Convention during the ZOOM meeting.

Staying on as officers on Vestry are Craig Reynolds as Co-Warden, Leah Luczynski as treasurer, Angela Moon as clerk.

Staying on as Vestry member: John Culver

Thank you to Vestry that are finishing their terms, your work and service is very much appreciated. Valerie Anderson, Mark Miller, Louise Penney

**Rector's Report:** See Parish annual report pages 9-12.

**Co-Wardens' Report:** can be found on pages 13-14 of the Annual Report; Craig Reynolds read it at the service. He gave Erin Sullivan a light bulb certificate for keeping us screwed in and connected during a long six years with so much happening, transitions of clergy as well as pandemic. Erin received a standing ovation during the service for all of her steadfastness and leadership. Thank you, Erin.

**Treasurer's Report:** Leah Luczynski, a summarized report was shared both in person and on Zoom via screen sharing. Leah spoke at the service and again on Zoom. She summarized the brief report and noted that there are more details on the annual report beginning on page 30. Leah included the comparative graphs from the previous year. She noted that it is amazing that so many parishioners have been steady and continue to give to St. Stephens during the pandemic. 2020 and 2021 were 2 years during the pandemic we have not had to take any money from the endowment. At the Zoom meeting, Stephanie Talanian asked how much was in the endowment? Leah answered around 1.5 million dollars and Craig Reynolds confirmed \$1.542 million. We have \$328,000 cash in local banks. Craig Smith asked how the endowment did in 2021? How did the stock market affect the endowment in 2021? Leah said that the diocese gives a 20 month report and she will have that information added to the March finance report. There were no questions brought up about the budget at the in person service.

**Vote on 2022 annual budget:** During the in person meeting, Roy Sutton motioned and Charles Sawyer seconded and all were in favor of approving the 2022 annual budget. During the ZOOM meeting, Tom Dillon motioned to approve and Craig Smith seconded and all were in favor of approving the 2022 annual budget.

Closing Prayer: Given by Rev. Dr. Nina R. Pooley

**Adjournment:** Craig Reynolds adjourned the meeting on Zoom at 12:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Moon, clerk