

SOUTHPORT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Stated Annual Meeting of the Congregation and

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January 24, 2021 Service, via Zoom

following the 11:00am Worship

- I. Pastor Ann called the meeting to order at 11:42 am and appointed Laura Cacchione as Clerk of Session for the meeting. The appointed Clerk reported a quorum was present. Pastor Ann lead the congregation in prayer.
- II. Prior to the meeting, the agenda and supporting materials were sent to all members of the congregation via email and hard copies were made available at the church. Members were instructed on the process for speaking and voting since this was the first Congregation Meeting held via Zoom.
- III. Presentation and Vote of the Terms of Call for Pastor Ann and for Pastor Joanna were presented visually on screen and orally by Jude Skowron, chair of the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee brought a motion to accept these Terms and the congregation voted to approve this motion. Jude expressed thanks to both of our Pastors for their exceptional job during and through 2020 and wished them many more years with us.
- IV. Presentation of the 2021 Budget was presented visually on screen and orally by Jude Skowron, chair of the Finance Committee. The Session had approved this budget at their stated meeting in December 2020. Jude thanked the congregation for their generosity during 2020 and thanked each ministry for being good stewards of the available funds.
- V. Presentation of the Capital Campaign was given by Pastor Ann. This campaign is part of our obligation with our mortgage lender. She highlighted the three prongs of the campaign: reduction of the mortgage debt, capital improvements and mission initiative. The Session had approved the details of this Capital Campaign at their stated meeting in December 2020 and brought the motion to accept this Capital Campaign, beginning in the 2021 and the congregation voted to approve this motion.
- VI. The Full Commission on Ministry for the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina approved waiving the requirement to rotate officers in 2020 due to the pandemic (May 14, 2020). Considering this ruling, Pastor Ann asked officers, Elders and Deacons, to extend their terms of call by one year. One Elder position remained open, and Kurt Bryan was nominated. Elder Suzanne Hayes made a motion to elect Kurt Bryan to a term as Elder. Member Steve Coffman seconded. The congregation voted to approve this motion. Pastor Ann expressed thanks to the leadership of the church and welcomed Kurt with a blessing.
- VII. Presentation of the 2021 Session, Board of Deacons, Officers of the Corporation were made by Pastor Ann.

Session:

Administration and Communication: Mike Blau and Linda Daily
Adult Education and Spiritual Formation: Kate de Barros and Jim Kessel
Building and Grounds: Erik Hedblom and Al Yoshimura
Children, Youth and Family: Kurt Bryan and Suzanne Hayes
Finance and Stewardship: Rick Barton and Jude Skowron
Mission: Bob Lambert and Doug Morrill

Board of Deacons:

Congregational Care: Gail Hedgecock, Carol Morrill, Carolyn Thomae
Fellowship and Welcome: Bob Blaber and Maggie Lhotsky
Worship: Joe Lhotsky and Rita Wissinger
Presbyterian Women liaison: Judy Osborn

Officers of the Corporation:

According to our By-law, our active elders are the Trustees of the corporation and the officers are:

President Elder Chair for Finance Ministry (Jude Skowron)
Vice-President Elder Chair for Building and Grounds Ministry (Al Yoshimura)
Secretary Clerk of Session (Laura Cacchione)
Treasurer Church Treasurer (Gary Phipps)

Staff:

Pastor: Ann Jahnes
Associate Pastor: Joanna Hipp
Director of Music: Laurie Russ
Office Administrator: Ilona Smith
Bookkeeper: Ray Dickerson

- VII. Elder Mike Blau gave a summary of the work of the Reopening Task Force since its formation in April 2020. He emphasized while reopening the church is one of the goals, the top priority of the Task Force is the safety and well-being of the congregation members. The church remains open for administration purposes, prayer in the sanctuary, and small group meetings. Registration for prayer and small group meeting are made by calling the office administrator, Ilona Smith, during office hours. Mike thanked the members for their patience and understanding during this difficult time.
- VIII. Having no further questions from the congregation, Elder Suzanne Hayes made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Steve Coffman seconded. Motion carries. Adjournment at 12:09pm Pastor Joanna closed with thanks to the congregation, prayer and the passing of the peace.