

Annual Church Conference

October 4, 2020

In Attendance:

Katieanne Harrison

Judy Russalesi

Wes Shelton

Sally Tomasino

Sheila Risley

Steve Wescott

Kyle Orr

Jim Ayers

Nancy Carver

Rev. Dr. Eunice Vega-Perez, District Superintendent & Presiding Elder

Rev. Nancy Robinson

At 11:34 AM, Eunice began by sharing 1 Chronicles 20:28, a reflection, and opening prayer.

Eunice declared the annual conference opened. Sally Tomasino seconded. The motion was approved.

Nancy Robinson moved to appoint Nancy Carver as secretary, Judy Russalesi seconded. The motion was approved.

Minutes for the 2019 Annual Church Conference and the August 28, 2019 Special Charge Conference were presented. Sheila Risley moved for the minutes to the 2019 church conference and for the special charge conference to be approved. Wes Shelton seconded. The motion was approved with 2 abstentions.

The directory of elected officials was presented. Nancy Robinson moved to approve the Directory of Officials. Sally Tomasino seconded. The motion was approved.

Wes Shelton and Judy Russalesi shared acts of courage within the church in response to the pandemic.

Pastor's Report:

- Recognition of Vicki Brendler, retired clergy participating in the ministry of the church.
- Membership Report – There is no first or second year list this year. Prayer was offered for those who passed away: Marion Hoffman, Harriette Ansbach, Myrtle Mae DeGroat
- Wes Shelton and Nancy Carver were recognized as Certified Lay Servants. They were approved to continue in their service as Lay Servants.
- Nancy Robinson shared acts of courage witnessed in the life of the church since the pandemic including: food pantry; mask ministry; cardinal rock ministry
- Judy Russalesi moved to accept the Report of the Pastor. Katieanne Harrison seconded. The motion was approved.

Wes Shelton, Staff-Parish Relations Chair, presented the Clergy Compensation Report and Clergy Housing Exclusion Resolution. In light of the pandemic, compensation will remain the same as last year with the understanding of readdressing it in the future. The report was approved.

Sheila Risley, Trustees chair, reported on the work overseen by the trustees. Eunice stressed the importance of working toward making the church more accessible to those with physical challenges. Eunice also asked about the status of our Safe Sanctuary Policy. Sally Tomasino moved to accept the Trustees Report. Judy Russalesi seconded. The motion was approved.

The 2019 Fund Balance Report was presented and discussed.

Nancy Robinson presented a goal of continuing to reach out and welcome families, young children, and teens in our ministries, including them as an important part of our ministry. Another goal is to reach out to conference resources on stewardship. The church continues to pay the shared ministry.

Steve Wescott reported on the Future Trust and its performance through the pandemic.

Judy Russalesi moved to adjourn. Steve Wescott seconded. The motion was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:51 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nancy Carver