

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
January 19, 2025

CALL TO ORDER AND APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY

The 2025 Annual Meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Chip Dischinger at 12:40 p.m. A quorum was declared. Pat Gearn was appointed secretary for this meeting.

APPROVAL OF 2024 MINUTES

It was moved by Deb Green and supported by Erica Fulton to approve the 2024 Annual Meeting minutes as presented.

SENIOR WARDEN REPORT

Sue Carpenter, Sr. Warden, shared her 2024 report highlighting the Friday Fill-Up program, participation in Belleville Lakefest, and a Community Prayer Box that was installed on the property. The biggest highlight of the year was calling Rev. Chip to be our full time Rector.

JR. WARDEN REPORT

Eddy Fulton, Jr. Warden, shared his 2024 report highlighting Trinity's beautiful grounds and Memorial Garden that are maintained by Pat Marshall and Gabby Burton. Several repairs were made in the kitchen and tile floors throughout the building were re waxed.

RECTOR REPORT

Rev. Chip shared his report as part of his Sunday sermon. Some of the highlights in 2024 were the Blessing of two marriages, we continue to share our building with three AA and one Al-Anon group. Friday Fill-Up provides approximately 50 weekend take home meals for students who are food challenged. Provided over 75 free lunches for children and adults at Crossroads of Michigan and most importantly being called the Rector at Trinity.

2024 FINANCE, ENDOWMENT AND 2025 BUDGET

Trinity ended the year strong, with a surplus despite increasing our expenses to bring on Rev. Chip as our full-time priest. The Motion to accept the 2025 Budget, as submitted, was made by Darryl Conliffe and supported by Sharon Peters. Motion approved by acclamation.

WRITTEN REPORTS

Written reports from Rev. Chip Dischinger, Rector; Sue Carpenter, Sr. Warden; Eddy Fulton, Jr. Warden; 2024 Finance and Endowment; Daryl Royal, Stewardship; Eucharistic Ministries and Lectors, Brenda Thom; Welcomers, Maria Conliffe; Flower Guild, Brenda Thom; Altar Guild, Erica Fulton; Communion Bread, Erica Fulton; The Lunch Bunch, Jeanne Power; Stream Team, Amber Chadwick; Fellowship and Sharing, Fiona Gray; Music, Jenifer Dapsi-Morse; Worshipful Team, Gabby Burton; Memorial Garden, Gabby Burton; Friday Fill-Up, Fiona Gray. Motion to accept the reports as presented was made by Amber Chadwick and supported by Nancy Copeland. Motion approved by acclamation.

OUTGOING VESTRY MEMBERS

Special thanks and appreciation go to Nancy Copeland, Eddy Fulton, and Peter Gregory for their hard work and dedication to Trinity for the last three years.

VESTRY ELECTION

Hanna Diaz, Brenda Thom, and Vance Power were nominated for a three-year vestry term. Since there were no other nominations these three individuals were elected by acclamation.

2025 DOWNRIVER DEANERY

Deb Green and Fiona Gray were nominated as Trinity's Deanery representatives. Since there were no other nominations these two individuals were elected by acclamation.

2025 DIOCESAN CONVENTION DELEGATES

Mary Hill and Sharon Peters were nominated as Trinity's Convention Delegates. Since there were no other nominations these two individuals were elected by acclamation.

VIDEO PRESENTATION

Gabby Burton provided a slideshow of Trinity's highlights for 2024.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made by Darryl Conliffe and supported by Eddy Fulton. The motion carried by acclamation. The 2025 Annual Meeting was adjourned at 12:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Gearn

Vestry Secretary