

## **Annual Meeting Minutes, January 29, 2023**

### **All Saints Episcopal Church – Hilton Head SC**

*Present: The Rev. Denise Trogdon, the Rev. Pam Fahrner, Deacon Kerry Smith, Vestry members, Choir members, and congregants of All Saints Church*

1. Prior to the meeting, a breakfast was shared by all in attendance and the 2023 Annual Report was distributed. The Reverend Denise Trogdon then called the meeting to order at 10:35 am with an opening prayer. This was followed by an opening hymn led by Suade Anderson. Anita Hill was then appointed as registrar of the meeting by vote.
2. After thanking Jessie McIlwee for her visual slide presentation of church events, Denise offered “The Year-in-Photos” for viewing to all those in attendance.
3. She then gave a detailed summation of 2022’s major church events. It included details on worship, personnel, new ministries, working ministries, building refurbishments, plans for the new Child Development Center, social events, and the music program. Details of Denise’s summary can be found within the 2023 Annual Report on pages 3-5.
4. Next, Jenn Adams, Director of the new All Saints Episcopal Child Development Center was introduced. Adams indicated being honored and privileged to be a part of this project, slated to open in August/September 2023. The Center will offer education to a more diverse population of families who work and live in the community. Full day child care will be offered for 3 and 4 year olds. ASEC will partner with state agencies to provide a high quality education at little to no cost for those working families who could not otherwise afford it.
5. The Warden’s report was offered next by Michael Binford. He provided detailed commentary about re-engagement and growth that occurred in the prior year. He noted the changes that have occurred within the membership and to some ministries. He also highlighted the major maintenance renovations that were needed to the physical plant and church roof.
6. Recognition was then given for all the past work done by those with the Sewing for Hope Ministry.
7. Next, a Financial Year-End Summary was presented by Treasurer Jack Case. Capital costs, as mentioned by Mike, totaled around \$162,000; these costs were covered by: the Maintenance Reserve Fund, pandemic federal grants, and donations from parishioners. Using charts on pages 11-14 of the Annual Report, he then reviewed revenue, expenses,

bottom line figures, and cash/liquid investments over the last five years of operations. In place of Stewardship Chair Robert Colegrove, Mike reported that there are now 192 pledges for a total of \$690,000 toward 2023's \$800,000 goal.

8. Howard Coonley then reported for the All Saints Foundation. He gave recognition to Paul Ostergard for his many years of dedicated service to the Foundation. He next noted the following upcoming changes within the organization's leadership: He will be stepping down to assume a role on the Vestry; his replacement will be **Randy Harrison**. Sarah Hall will also be stepping down; her position will be assumed by **Caroline McVitty**. **These changes in board membership were unanimously approved by the congregants present.**
9. Before new Vestry candidates were presented, Mike recognized retiring members Marjorie Robinson and Julie Zeccola for their years of service on the Vestry. Both were presented with flowers and applause from church members. Mike then presented the candidates for election to the Vestry as: **Howard Coonley, Joyce Emmett, Charlie Forbes, and Nancy Tillinghast. After the call was made for a vote, they were unanimously voted in as vestry members beginning in 2023 by all those in attendance.**
10. Diocesan delegates and alternates were presented next for a vote. Delegates include: Marilyn Roper, Joyce Emmett, Jim Hackett, and Barry Mills. Alternates to the convention include: Blake Robinson, Bob Reuter, Nancy Tillinghast, Lisa Ghessie. **After Mike called for a vote by the membership, all were unanimously voted in.** Mike then informed meeting attendees that All Saints will be hosting the convention this coming year.
11. In terms of B&G, Mike noted that besides major renovations to the roofs and building structures, other expenditures also were required this year. This included purchase of: an office copier, a refrigerator, and flower cooler. A new stove purchase is slated for 2023, as are improvements for some surface areas of the parking lot. Changes are also anticipated this year for the Columbarium in terms of expansion and spruce up.
12. A closing prayer was then offered by Pam Fahrner, followed by meeting adjournment at 11:25 am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Anita L. Hill  
Registrar of 2023 ASEC Annual Meeting  
Clerk of the Vestry