

Agenda for Easter Vestry Meeting and Annual General Meeting 2023

and

Trustees Annual Report and Accounts ending 31st December 2022

Mission Statement "Making Jesus Christ Known"

Vision "Going Deeper with God"

Key Values Relationships Prayer Worship

Discipleship Mission

Charity No. 1132003

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH SOUTHWELL

EASTER VESTRY MEETING Wednesday, 26th April 2023 at 7.30 pm in Church

AGENDA

- 1. Prayer and Bible Reading
- 2. Apologies for absence
- 3. Minutes of 2022 Easter Vestry Meeting
- 4. Matters Arising (Parishioners are asked to send to the Church Administrator prior to the meeting any matter they wish to raise)
- 5. Appointment of Tellers (for this meeting and the PAGM if required)
- 6. Election of Churchwarden(s)

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, SOUTHWELL

<u>Minutes</u> of the EASTER VESTRY MEETING Wednesday, 27th April 2022 at 7.30 pm in church

- 1. <u>Prayer and Bible Reading</u> Andrew opened in prayer and read Mark 2:21-17
- 2. Apologies for absence there were 30 apologies received.
- 3. <u>The Minutes of the 2021 Easter Vestry Meeting were received</u> and agreed as a true record of the meeting. Proposed by Helen Geeson, seconded by Andrew Porter and carried unanimously.
- 4. <u>Matters arising</u>. There were no matters arising.
- 5. <u>Tellers</u>. No Tellers were required.
- 6. Election of Churchwardens

There were two nominations, Helen Geeson and Chris Stead. As there were no other nominations Andrew Porter declared that Helen and Chris were duly elected as churchwardens for 2022/2023

7.. <u>Parish Charities</u> – The Vicar continues to be a Trustee for the Southwell Poor and Sick Poor.

This concluded all the business for the Vestry Meeting.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH SOUTHWELL

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING Wednesday, 26th April 2023 at 7.30 pm in Church

AGENDA

- 1. Minutes of 2022 Annual Parochial Church Meeting
- 3. Matters arising (Parishioners are asked to send to the Church Administrator prior to the meeting any matter they wish to raise).
- 4. Apologies for absence:
- 4. Reports: All printed in the PAGM Booklet

a) Churchwardens : Log Book, Terrier and Inventory

b) PCC Secretary : Receipt of PCC Minutes
d) Deanery Synod : Printed for convenience
e) Other Organisations : Printed for convenience

- 5. Treasurer Presentation of Trustees Annual Report and Accounts for Year ended 31st December 2022
- 6. Election of Independent Examiner
- 7. To receive the new Electoral Roll and appointment of Electoral Roll Officer
- 8. Correspondence
- 9. Election to Parochial Church Council (12 Members)
- 10. Preachers' Group Nomination to PCC
- 11. Churchwardens Update
- 12. Vicar's Presentation
- 13. Questions
- 14 The Grace

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH SOUTHWELL

Minutes of the ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING Wednesday, 28th April 2022 at 7.30 pm in Church and via Zoom

- 1. The Minutes of the 2021 Annual Parochial Church Meeting were received.
- 2. <u>Matters arising</u> there were no matters arising therefore Ian Baird-Smith proposed and Helen Geeson seconded that the Minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting. Carried unanimously.
- 3. Apologies for absence: 30
- 4. Reports

Andrew thanked all who had written reports which had been a complicated year which had started off with Covid lockdown.

5. PCC Treasurer's Report – see Annual Report

Alison Slinger, Treasurer, thanked everyone for their generous giving over the last year and all those who helped with counting the collections on a Sunday morning (as and when the church was open for services) and Kate Perry for banking the money. Andrew thanked Alison for her excellent work as Treasurer over the past year. Her contribution had been outstanding. Andrew Porter proposed, Chris Stead seconded and all were in favour of the adoption of the accounts for the year ended December 2021.

- 6. <u>Election of Independent Examiner.</u> It was proposed by Alison Slinger, seconded by Andrew Porter and unanimously agreed that Carol Bolitho be re-appointed as Independent Examiner for 2022.
- 7. To receive the new Electoral Roll and appoint the Electoral Roll Officer

Margaret Newstead reported that to date the number on the Electoral Roll was 154. Margaret was re-appointed as Electoral Roll Officer for 2022/23.

8. Correspondence.

There was no correspondence.

9. <u>Election to Parochial Church Council (12 members).</u> Andrew thanked those who had served on the PCC over the last year and were standing down. The following were duly elected for the coming year:

Ian Baird-Smith, Ann Clark, Suzanne Dent, Stephen Dobson, Graham Cross, Alex Lewis, Sally Lewis, Steve Perry, Kelly Wall,

Ex Officio: Helen Geeson and Chris Stead - Churchwardens

<u>In attendance at meetings:</u> Margaret Newstead - PCC Secretary and Administrator; Alison Slinger – Treasurer; Tim Ball – Youth and Children's Worker/

Deanery Synod.

Shelagh Baird-Smith and Peter Harris (Deanery Synod Reps) (Peter Harris is also the Diocesan Synod Representative)

- 10. <u>Preachers' Group Nomination to PCC.</u> No nomination was necessary as Preachers Group was already represented by Suzanne Dent and Mark Smith.
- 11. <u>Churchwardens Update</u>. Please see the report in the booklet.
- 12. <u>Vicar's Presentation</u> (in summary)

"No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment. Otherwise, the new piece will pull away from the old, making the tear worse. And no one pours new wine into old wineskins. Otherwise, the wine will burst the skins, and both the wine and the wineskins will be ruined. No, they pour new wine into new wineskins." Mark 2:21-27.

2021 was a complicated year! We started off back into Covid lockdown not knowing completely where we were heading but it was a joy to be back in the building on Good Friday and fantastic to sing together in person for the first time in over a year in the church grounds at sunrise on Easter morning.

Andrew thanked all who had recorded and interacted with new technology to enable the church to continue worshipping online through the lockdowns.

Andrew made mention of how we might change our worship pattern as we move out of the season of the pandemic and into the future. Following a consultation meeting, taking into account people's thoughts and comments, some changes were made with most Sundays returning to a 10.30am service rather than 10.45 and a change to the 1st Sunday so that Kids & Families Service fits back in at 10.00am with a morning worship service at 11am.

During Lent we looked at a series of parables (see Mark 2:21-27 above). Andrew said it was easy to conclude that anything Old is Bad and anything New is Good. But his understanding was that we needed to be ready to be flexible in where God is calling us. We continue to be committed to our mission of "Making Jesus Christ Known", so need to be flexible enough to not ride roughshod over the old, we need to celebrate His faithfulness over the years and at the same time be aware that sharing the gospel afresh in every generation will mean change that allows the next new generation to feel at home in Trinity.

Andrew continued that to best support our going forward with God, a Leadership Team has been formed made up of those who head up many of the Ministries within the church.

Andrew concluded by saying "As we look to move forward post-pandemic, we desire to seek God through Jesus and the Holy Spirit; to be led forward by Him and to honour what has gone before as we seek to grow ever deeper in God, continuing to become deep rooted, cross centred and community focused."

For a fuller version of Andrew's talk please ask Margaret or Andrew for a copy.

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Andrew was thanked for the work that had been done during the pandemic to put services on-line. However, technical problems were experienced, and he was asked if these had now been sorted. Andrew responded by saying that the technical team were still trying to rectify faults but progress was being made.

Andrew was asked who would be on the Leadership Team. He said that it would be made up of the Vicar, Churchwardens, Youth and Childrens Worker, Small Groups Co-ordinator, Prayer Co-ordinator, Worship Leader, and group leaders of other ministries in the life of the church. They would look to the day to day running of the church and our Mission and Ministry. Notes made at the Leadership meetings would be circulated to PCC and recommendations brought to PCC for consideration, especially if there were financial implications.

Brackenhurst – Andrew said that he had suggested Alpha and it was agreed that if the CU could be persuaded to hold an Alpha this would go ahead.

14. The Grace

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Chairman		Date:		

The meeting ended with prayer and the Grace at 8.25pm