

## **UVC Board of Trustees Annual Membership Meeting Sunday, March 17, 2024**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President, Scotty McMasters at 12:45 pm - Rev Erin McCabe led us in prayer and meditation.

Scotty welcomed the attendees to the annual meeting and introduced the Board of Trustees in attendance: Scott McMasters, President, Dennis Smith, Treasurer, Bonita Paulson, Secretary, Linda Chappell, Trustee, Debra Powell, Vice President.

### **Approval of March 19, 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes**

The reading of the minutes was waived by consensus since the minutes were provided electronically to members prior to the meeting. Motion: Linda Chappell, Anna Griesbach Seconded; Motion Carried.

### **BOARD Member Election**

Nominating Team Chair, Courtney McIlwee, brought forth the candidates: Teresa King and Adam Johnson. Bonita Paulson, Secretary, certified the candidates per the Chapel bylaws, Section 6.10. Motion: Scotty McMasters, Seconded: Michael Kinslow. The candidates were elected by unanimous oral acclamation vote of the membership.

### **2025 Nominating Team**

Robyn Oro was nominated as congregational representative, John Frye as alternate to serve on the Nominating Committee. The candidates were unanimously voted in by oral acclamation by the membership.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- Dennis Smith, Treasurer, reviewed the 2023 financial statements. Dennis thanked the membership for donations totaling \$280,000 (including the \$100,000 bequest) in 2023.
- Debra Powell summarized the investment purchases made in 2023. \$102,000 was invested in August and then a second additional amount of \$150,000 was invested in December. Since then, the investments have earned \$3,304.47.
- Rev. Erin invited anyone from the membership with talent and interest, to join an Ad Hoc team to assist with the management of the investments. Please see Dennis Smith or Debra Powell. The list of investments will be posted on the website.

### **Board of Trustees President's Report**

- Thank you to our Board of Trustees – Scotty is looking forward to working with the Board this year on fund raising activities

## **Minister's Report**

- Heartfelt thank you to Scotty McMasters for serving as President of the Board for two years.
- Thank you to our virtual membership for their unique contributions for such a significant inclusion in the UVC family: 1,690 YouTube subscribers, 278 UVC App downloads, 6,300 Facebook followers. 196 average live household views each Sunday.
- Unity Village Chapel Spirit School! We reopened on July 2, 2023 with three youth. Our highest attendance was 19, we averaged between 12-14.
- Rev Erin thanked our excellent staff: Mark "Oz" Livingston, Rev Shea Maulsby from New Jersey, Ayesha Livingston PhD, Rev Brenda Ehret from Iowa.
  - Our Unity Village Chapel Support Ministers: Rev Chris Jackson, Judi Simmons-Estes LUT, Rev Sonja Mathis, Rev Mary Wood
  - Unity Support Volunteers: Matt Crane, Streaming Tech; Edwin Lindeman, Zoom Tech, Larry Johnson, Sound
  - Musicians: Joe Cartwright, Todd Gillette, Steve Rigazzi
    - Green Spirit Band – Judy Best, Linda Chubbuck and Stan Slaughter
    - Nikki Williams
  - Bethany Shipley and Emily McMasters will be working this year to expand our multi-media presence.

**Closing Prayer** – Rev Erin McCabe

**Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.