

Annual Congregational Meeting Minutes

Sunday, Jan. 26, 2025, in Fellowship Hall

1. Welcome. Congregational Co-Chair Graham Kislingbury opened the meeting at about 11:20 a.m. thanking those who brought soups and others who helped in some way with the lunch meeting.

2. Financial Report. Treasurer Cam Shuck reported that we finished the year with a surplus of \$23,581.95, with giving for December at \$42,751.17. To bring the YTD General Fund balance to 0 to start the year, the board on Jan. 13 voted to transfer \$10,000 to the Contingency Fund and directed Cam to deposit \$13,581.95 in the Foundational Memorial Fund.

3. Pastors' Report. Pastor Jared gave a recap of 2024 and praised the church practice of hospitality and welcome.

4. Recognition of officers, board and committee members. Allison recognized the work of those who completed their terms in 2024, including Charlotte Houser, who served for 13 years as a financial secretary and lead.

5) Special recognition. Graham recognized Gayle Dee for her two years of leadership as Congregational Co-Chair and for guiding our Technology Team. Gayle received flowers, a beautiful commemorative plate made by Chet Houser and an Amazon Gift Card.

6. Commissioning. Allison read a commissioning liturgy for incoming officers, board and committee members.

7. Open mic. Graham asked that anyone who uses the Ferry Street doors when they leave church to make sure that the door on the left is latched and cannot be opened from the outside. That particular door just needs a firm push from the outside.

8. Honored Member. Graham and Congregational Co-Chair Dianne Hargrove read a script that ended with Dianne announcing Nancy Marshall as our 2024 Honored Member. Nancy received flowers, her name engraved on our most recent Honored Member plaque and a Garland's Nursery gift card.

9. Closing. We sang a lively version of "The Lord's Prayer" and the meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

1st Quarter Congregational Meeting: Sunday, April 6.

