

**Trinity South Christchurch Incorporated**  
**Annual General Meeting 2022**  
**7:30pm Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022**  
**Via Zoom**

**1. Welcome and Devotion**

DC read Romans 15:5-7 and talked about how Romans as a whole exposes the gospel of Christ and is given to all who believe in Christ. He made three points about 15:5-7.

- It is a request of God to change our attitudes. We are to have the attitude toward one another that Jesus has towards us.
- It was a command to accept one another. May we have changed minds and live that out.
- It gives the reason for the request and command. The reason is repeated twice, 'so you may glorify God' and 'in order to bring praise to God'. Jesus is our example and our empowerment.

DC prayed to open the meeting, giving thanks for our acceptance in Jesus, and that Jesus laid aside his power and greatness to become a servant.

**2. Attendance & apologies**

Attendance;

Dave Clancey (Chairperson)(DC), David Thompson, Mackenzie Shewan (Minutes), Tim Wilson (TW), Bruce Logan, Nick Cook, Irene Bawden, Amanda Clancey, Anita Leeson, Rosemary Knowles, Michael Batstone, Grace Penno, Joy Penno, Colin Penno, Aimee Gray, Alison Holland, Richard Holland, Wayne Wright, Coleen Wright, David Wong (DW), David McCall, Yvonne McNulty, Jack Phillips, Elsa George, Paul Lubbers, Mandy Lubbers, Paul Horne, Kyla Horne, Jasmine Butcher, Janet Lockyer, Luke Phillips, Andy Cousins, Liz Cousins, Anne Brand, Maria Thompson, Richard Burrige, Claire Burrige, Megan Wilson, Jamie Hunt, Martin Winder, Ross Anthony, Selwyn Manning, Nikki McAven, Rex Bly, Josh Winder, Phyllis Hyde, Abbey Davison, Lynley Shewan, Rob Vosslamber, Andy Vosslamber, Jole Cameron, Thomas McAven, Wayne Radford, Edna Radford, John McGowan, Kay McGowan, Abin George, Melissa Lubbers, Amy Hyde, Irene Bawden, Grant Bawden, Rudy Verbeek, Charlene Smith, Ivan Phillips, Janice Phillips, Andrew Smith, Rachael Winder, Rosie Cameron, David Fitch, Katherine Fitch, Paul McAven, Mike Weller, Sam Butcher, John Simpson, Alison Cook, Ron Brand, Karen Winder.

Apologies;

Matthew and Heather Burlton, Mirren Verbeek, Alison Cook (lateness), Barry and Denise Williams, Patricia Entwistle.

**3. Minutes**

**a. 2021 Annual General Meeting**

DC moves that they are a true and accurate record of the meeting. Asks for concerns that they aren't accurate.

The meeting agrees that they are accurate.

DC declares them accurate from last year.

**b. Special General Meeting – January 2022**

Changes in point 5 paragraph 2 – ‘withing’ to ‘within’

Point 6 – para 2 ‘Cestry’ to ‘Vestry’

Point 5 ‘The BFT started strengthening work’ change to ‘The BFT started investigating strengthening work’

DC moves that these are accepted as true and accurate as amended. The meeting agrees. Amended minutes passed as accurate.

**4. Ministry Reports.**

DC notes that all ministry is important, even if it doesn’t get a report and gives examples of welcoming, praying with one another, serving morning tea etc. He then asks for questions or comments about the ministry reports.

A question was asked about the number of Sunday school teachers we currently have. DC responds that the number we have is currently sufficient, given that there aren’t many school ages children at Trinity currently. He also noted that it is a little tight at the 9:30 service, but it isn’t currently an issue, some people have stepped back, and he encourages others to step forward in the future.

- a. Sunday School
- b. Youth Group
- c. Fellowship Groups
- d. Evangelism and Missions
- e. Women’s and Men’s Ministry
- f. Pastoral Care
- g. Seniors and Rest Home Ministry
- h. Building Subcommittee
- i. Trinity Technical
- j. Music

DC moves that we receive these reports. The meeting agrees and the reports are passed as accurate.

**5. Financial Reports**

**a. Treasurer’s Report & 2021 Financial Performance Report – David Wong**

DW shows a spreadsheet of financial report from 2021, and notes that we had approx. \$37,000 operating surplus, mostly due to being up on giving by around \$30,000, made up of a few new regular givers and some one-off donations.

He noted that as an accounting one off, the clergy stipend is no longer being paid by the church, but by the diocese.

Giving to mission partners also changed slightly. About \$40,000 was given to our usual partners, plus \$20,000 given to St Peters of the Rock and some Covid-19 relief

money was given out within the congregation.

Property costs were over budget, due to the cost of consent being greater than expected.

Overall DW said how encouraged he was, and noted that it was a great year financially, given the effect of Covid. At the end of the 2021 financial year the church has about \$170,000, plus a building fund around \$560,000.

A question was asked about a typo on the spreadsheet that said 252 Colombo Street, DW changed it to 253.

**b. 2022 Budget – David Wong**

DW notes that the budget was touched on during the SGM. This financial year there has been a little variation based on ministry costs, and anticipated giving was kept roughly the same, as a cautious approach is being taken. It is worth being prudent this year as we go into another year of Covid life. Salaries (for the staff) and stipends (for the clergy) went up this year, plus the CPI rate. Vestry will review these later in the year given the rate of inflation.

There has also been around \$15,000 set aside for St Peters of the Rock, and \$3,000 for community relief, which DC will talk to later in the meeting.

Property costs are a very rough estimate of around \$1,000 per month for fees, but overall, we are aiming for a \$16,000 operating surplus.

Currently there is \$353,000 put aside for costs relating to 253, but with the rest of the purchase costs coming from the South Christchurch Evangelical Trust we are expecting to have around \$350,000 left, which will go towards building work, should that go ahead.

DW opens for questions.

A comment was made that it is good that mission partner giving has increased, but will this continue to be monitored?

DC responded that all mission partners less the Sinclair's (given we have only been working with them a short while) were contacted and asked if they needed more money. The Broughton's noted that their costs are higher due to Covid, so giving to them has been increased. Geoff Robson is no longer working with the TSCF, so is no longer a partner, but since then another person from TSCF has reached out and asked for a little more. Vestry will keep an eye on this but are positive about being paired with local ministry at the University of Canterbury.

DC speaks to the community engagement fund. There is a feeling among that church that we have (very rightly) been looking inwards to care for one another, but since we feel a little nomadic currently, we have not been looking outwards very well. Of course, the aim is evangelism, but now that we have a physical location, we want to think about how we can serve the community around 253 Colombo Street. There are no big plans for how to do this currently.

DC suggests that we receive the financial reports as presented by treasurer DW, the meeting agreed, and the reports were received.

DC thanks DW for his hard work.

## 6. Wardens' Report – John McKie & Tim Wilson

TW would like to thank the staff team who have worked very hard under trying circumstances with Covid, venues, event cancellations etc. He is thankful for the way the word has kept being preached, and encouragement in fellowship groups. He is grateful for the way that the church has served each other, just by turning up. He asks for payers for the vestry and property trust team. He looks forward to input and prayers for both of those groups and is grateful for a healthy-looking budget.

DC asks for questions or comments. He notes thanks for Tim and John for their service. He also thanks Megan and Jill for their support of Tim and John.

## 7. Vicar's Report – Dave Clancey

There were lots of great things that have happened this year. It can't be overlooked that God has been doing his work and we should praise Him for keeping his word and growing his church. DC echoed DW for thanks for generosity and thanking God for his generosity to us. He noted particular thanks for the 9:30 congregations who have had more changes to locations and time than can be counted. He noted their compassion and grace in dealing with all the change. He also thanked the 4:00 congregation for their grace, particularly for those who are serving, setting up, packing down. He noted that it has been difficult for many to be meeting in smaller groups, and the relational disconnect this has caused. We are all feeling this, and it is starting to show. When we are able, we will need to work hard at reconnecting.

Fellowship group attendance is sitting at around 80%. While we are missing seeing people, there is still a virus going around, so not everything will go back to normal at one. He once again urged us to show grace to one another, as Jesus showed grace to us.

There are many opportunities coming up to do this, such as hospitality Saturday and the church weekend away. While these are costly in terms of time and energy, it is crucial that we invest so that we might reconnect. Overall, things are looking great. DC is looking forward invitation week, for 253 and is hoping for excitement in the Lord.

He thanked Jill and Megan, DW, Martin Winder as a gentle yet firm hand on the wheel of the building subcommittee, Claire and Rich Burridge and family of staff, particularly Amanda and Maria.

DC opens for questions and comments.

## 8. Appointments

DC explains why Rob is being appointed as reviewer and elected to vestry and that this means that vestry will need to appoint a new reviewer.

- a. Vicar's Warden - Tim Wilson (appointed by the Vicar)
- b. Treasurer - David Wong (to be appointed by the AGM)
- c. Reviewer - Rob Vosslander (to be appointed by the AGM)

**Is it your wish that David Wong and Rob Vosslander be appointed?**

It is the people's wish that both be appointed respectively.

## 9. Elections

### a. **People's Warden (one required)**

John McKie (Tim Wilson, Kyla Horne)

### b. **Vestry Members (minimum three, maximum ten)**

Kyla Horne (Abbey Davison, Mackenzie Shewan)

Rob Vosslander (Mackenzie Shewan, Grace Penno)

Elsa George (Wayne Wright, Colleen Wright)

Martin Winder (Richard Burrige, Kyla Horne)

Bruce Logan (Glenda Bly, Rex Bly)

David Wong (Tim Wilson, Joy Penno)

### c. **Synod Representatives (two required)**

Joy Penno (Grace Penno, Abbey Davison)

Kyla Horne (Abbey Davison, Mackenzie Shewan)

### d. **Trinity South Christchurch Property Trust (minimum two, maximum four)**

Kyla Horne (Abbey Davison, Mackenzie Shewan)

John McKie (Tim Wilson, Kyla Horne)

The above were all elected to their respective positions by the people. DC thanked them for their service and care for us going forward.

## 10. Updating the Rules of Trinity South Christchurch Incorporated (TSC)

DC explains the reason for the rule change. Because TSC was created before the diocese was created there is now a desire for the rules to be standardised across the diocese. Therefore, the motion would make some small changes to wording and order of some rules. The details sent out explain what these changes are, and the few spelling mistakes are inconsequential.

A question was raised about the footnotes regarding possible changes, for example changing the minimum warden age from 20 to 18 and maximum 10 vestry members to 12. DC explains that we decided to keep them as are because they are working as they are, but we have the option to change them in the future.

DC opens for questions before voting.

DC reads the motion.

Motion to be put:

That the Rules of Trinity South Christchurch Incorporated be updated from the document titled "Template Constitution.pdf" (referred to as Template and found at <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1CtA8IijBhaLVfcpkt1nALnInTi-tKsq7/view>):

1. Add Clause 3.3 from the Template; and
2. Clauses 4-25 be removed from the Rules and replaced with Template Clauses 4-25, with numbering to stay the same; and
3. Clause 26 be retained in the Rules and be renumbered as Clause 29, with internal numbering to be made internally consistent), replacing existing clause 29; and
4. That Template Clauses 26-28, and 30-32 be added to the Rules; and
5. That the Template "Schedule" be added to the Rules as a Schedule.

93% of voters agree with the changes, DC announces that the motion has passed, and he will inform the diocese.

## **11. General Business**

DC notes that everyone did very well with voting and managing on Zoom, and then opens the floor for questions, comments, or personal reflections.

Andrew and Charlene Smith noted how loved and cared for they felt during their Covid isolation.

DC thanks everyone for coming along, and for being part of a wonderful church that loves Jesus and loves those around them.

## **12. Close with Prayer**

Tim Wilson leads us in prayer.