

**136TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION AND CORPORATION
OF FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
February 12, 2006**

The 136th Annual Meeting of the Congregation of the Fourth Presbyterian Church was convened by the Moderator, Dr. John M. Buchanan, at 12:15 p.m. on Sunday, February 12, 2006 in the sanctuary of the Fourth Presbyterian Church. Moderator Buchanan opened the meeting with prayer.

Report of the Clerk of Session

Clyde O. Bowles, Jr., Clerk of Session, determined that a quorum was present.

Mr. Bowles announced that the minutes of the 135th Annual Meeting of the Congregation, held on February 13, 2005, were available for review in several locations throughout the church and in the church office. A motion was made, seconded and **adopted** to approve the minutes of the 135th Annual Congregational Meeting of Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago.

Mr. Bowles expressed his gratitude to John and Sue Buchanan for the important roles they play in the life of the Fourth Presbyterian Church.

The moderator called on Elder Barbara Cleveland, member of the Nominating Committee, to present the committee's report.

Nominating Committee Report

Ms. Cleveland summarized the committee's process and introduced and thanked committee members for their service: Beth Davis, Chair, Katherine Anderson, Dean Banick, Barbara Cleveland, Juli Crabtree, Don Nelson, Maggie Maguire, Marge Shelton, Joe Sifferlen, Joyce Sigmon, and staff liaison The Rev. Thomas Rook.

Ms. Cleveland presented the following candidates for election as Elders:

Class of 2009

Mark Bereyso	Francis Ntowe-Fankam
Lisa Doak	Janet S. Reed
Sam Evans	Anthony Ruger
Arlene Faulk	Mary Schaafsma
Lewis C. Lofgren	Jason Tuscher
David Miller	Claudia Winkler

Class of 2007

Ben Schemper (youth)

Thee Moderator asked for nominations from the floor. There being none, a motion was made, seconded and **adopted** to elect the candidates as Elders.

Ms. Cleveland presented the slate of candidates for election to the Board of Deacons:

Class of 2009

Stewart Bradley

Edward Coke

Bennie Davis

Austin Garfield

Alison Gerlach

Alice Hamilton

Courtney Hartford

Deborah Johnson

Barbara Maloof

Melanie Oh

Joseph Pixler

Leon Rinckenberger

Stanley Smith

Akiko Tarumoto

Seth Tuscher

Barbara Waters

Class of 2007

Florence Adibu (youth) Stuart Whitmore (youth)

Lori Payeur

The Moderator asked for nominations from the floor. There being none, a motion was made, seconded and **approved** to elect the candidates to the Board of Deacons.

Ms. Cleveland presented the following candidates to represent the congregation as members-at-large of the 2006 Nominating Committee:

Phil Calian

Bob Day

Jan Feldman

Lisa Garay

Arthur Martin

Ken Nicholson

Polly Peters-Bottrell

The Moderator asked for nominations from the floor. There being none, a motion was made, seconded and **approved** to elect the members-at-large of the 2006 Nominating Committee.

Mr. Buchanan welcomed all candidates elected to their offices for the coming term.

Recognition of the Chicago Lights Board

Mr. Buchanan called on Beth Truett, Executive Director of Chicago Light. Ms. Truett recognized the efforts of outgoing Board members Vern Broders, Ed Miller, and Chris Orr and welcomed new board members Betty Bergstrom, Mark Bereyso, Fred Chisolm, and Bob Doak recommended by the congregation's Nominating Committee and elected by the Chicago Lights Board.

Mr. Buchanan asked for a motion to recess the Meeting of the Congregation to convene a meeting of the Corporation. A motion was made, seconded, and **approved**.

Meeting of the Corporation

Armon Haagen, Chair of the Board of Trustees and the Corporation, convened the meeting of the Corporation. A motion to approve the minutes of the annual meeting of the corporation held on February 13, 2005 was made, seconded, and **approved**. Church Treasurer Marilee Hopkins reviewed the 2005 financial report and 2006 budget. Mr. Haagen thanked Ms. Hopkins for her ongoing oversight of church finances.

Elder Barbara Cleveland was invited to report on behalf of the Nominating Committee and placed in nomination the following persons for the Board of Trustees.

Class of 2009

Deborah Bricker
Rebecca Dixon
Susan Hill
Marcus Miller

Robert Parsons
Dennis Thorn
Linda Valentine

Mr. Haagen asked for nominations from the floor. There being none, a motion to close the nominations and elect the present slate was made, seconded, and **adopted**.

Mr. Haagen asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Corporation and reconvene the meeting of the Congregation. A motion was made, seconded, and **adopted**. The meeting of the Corporation was adjourned.

Moderator John Buchanan reconvened the meeting of the Congregation of Fourth Presbyterian Church, and called on Elder Karen Otto for a report on the Personnel Committee.

Report on the Personnel Committee

Ms. Otto noted staff transitions and recognized the work of Personnel Committee members: Marilynn Cason, Katheryn Dutenhaver, Arlene Faulk, Hugh Halverstadt, Jerry Latherow, Carl Lingenfelter, Marc Miller, Karen Otto and Chris Pfaff. The House Staff was given special recognition for the many ways they contribute to the ongoing life of the church.

Pastor's Report

Moderator Buchanan offered personal thanks to the staff, officers and members of the congregation of the Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago for their consistent and important work every day of the year and gave special recognition to the Rev. John Boyle for 30 years of ministry at the church.

Mr. Buchanan presented a brief status report on Project Light.

The Moderator asked for any comments, questions, unfinished or new business. There being none, a motion was made, seconded and **adopted** to adjourn the meeting, which was closed with the singing of Hymn #430, "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy" and with prayer led by The Rev. Dana Ferguson."



Clyde O. Bowles, Jr., Clerk of Session



The Rev. John M. Buchanan, Moderator