



MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING 2025



OF THE CORPORATION OF THE RECTOR, WARDENS, AND VESTRY OF THE CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR IN SAN GABRIEL, CALIFORNIA

The Annual Meeting of the Members of the Religious and Nonprofit Corporation of the State of California known as The Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of The Church of Our Saviour, San Gabriel, California, was held on Sunday, February 23, 2025, in the Historic Sanctuary of The Church of Our Saviour, 535 Roses Road, San Gabriel, California, pursuant to the call of the Clerk, notice of the meeting having been given in accordance with the Bylaws. The meeting was presided over by the Rev. Jeffrey Thornberg, Rector. Patricia Beith, Vestry Clerk, was appointed to record the minutes.

1. Following the confirmation of a quorum by the Vestry Clerk, Patricia Beith, Rector Jeffrey Thornberg called the 157th meeting of the Church of Our Saviour to order at 9:12 am
2. **Motion** made by Cece Horne and seconded by Dennis Duling to appoint Patricia Beith as Clerk for the recording of the minutes of the Annual Meeting – motion approved
3. **Motion** made by Cece Horne and seconded by Dennis Duling to approve the 2024 Annual Meeting minutes as presented – motion approved
4. Joanna Cory introduced the Vestry candidates for 2025
 - a. Clyde Beswick
 - b. Myron Castro
 - c. Rosemary Choate
 - d. Brent Schindele

Following a call for nominations from the floor, of which there were none, the Nomination Slate presented by the Nominating Committee was approved by an acclamation vote

5. Kit Shenk was appointed Senior Warden
6. Rector's Address (highlights) – The Rev. Jeff D. S. Thornberg
 - a. Using George Patton, Jr., as an example of a broken man but who still had his faith
 - b. God loves us for all our brokenness
 - c. Patton believed in a higher being despite his faults
 - d. Patton believed his chaplains were as important as his tank drivers
 - e. Love is in the world we live in, and we need to fight for connection and hope in this world
 - f. Offered thanks to:
 - Hannah Riley
 - Bob Crocker
 - OSC – Jose Vega and Marguerita Ponce for their leadership
 - ACGS – Lucero San Lucas for her leadership
 - Rose Gonzalez for expanding our giving campaign
 - Vera Hoalim for her help in our accounting section
 - DOD – Father Reese Riley for his guidance and help
 - Maria Quach, Kevin Quach, Raul Quach, and John Vandercook for their care of the church campus and buildings
 1. Though pledges and giving have increased, it isn't enough for the repairs/care of the property's needs
 - David Waller for all his work as treasurer
 - Father Thomas for all that he does with our Chinese ministry
 1. Support of our Mandarin congregation's fears of the immigrations policies
 - g. Bishop Chang is coming from Taiwan during Vacation Bible School, and will work with our team
 - h. Prayers to help this world in these changing times
 - i. Continue to have hope and connection for our community
7. Junior Warden's Report (highlights) – Ann Seitz
 - a. Highlighted the COS activities during the year

8. Senior Warden Report (highlights) – Kit Shenk
 - a. The community celebrates our growth and gratitude
 - b. Highlighted growth in the congregation and small groups
 - c. Reminded the parish that Father Jeff has Fridays off
 - d. Thank you to Kari Stewart, Gary Kinsley, and Patti Beith for their service on the Vestry
 - e. Thank you to Rose Gonzalez for her work on Stewardship
 - f. Thank you to Hannah Riley for all she does for the parish
 - g. ACGS – Lucero San Lucas for her willingness to make space for St. Mark’s Preschool
 - h. Thank you to Annie Thornberg for assistance at ACGS
 - i. Thank you to Marguerite Ponce and Jose Vega for their transformation of OSC
 - j. Thank you to the Rev. Tim Hartley for leadership of Jubilee Homes during the fire and the rebuilding of the Fair Oaks house
 - k. Thank you to Henrietta Ma for her presence in our church family
9. Treasurer’s Report (highlights) – David Waller
 - a. Thank you to the Virginia Barger, John Ballance, Kenneth Quan, Keith Davis, and Dennis Duling for your help with finances of the parish as members of the Finance Committee
 - b. Thank you to Ken at OSC for his work on their budget
 - c. The congregation is the Treasury of the church, and it is your generosity that finances the work and activities of the church
 - d. Come to the Finance Forum on Sunday, March 16, for more in-depth report
10. Gratitude and Recognition – The Rev. Jeff D. S. Thornberg
 - a. Carrie Voris
 - b. Mary Kingman
 - c. Vic May
 - d. Vito and Bret – for the breakfasts
 - e. Sue Smock – thank you for our continuing ministry with St. Paul’s in the Holy Land
 - f. Trish Healy – for her work with the Grief Group
 - g. Nancy Smith
 - h. Nominating Committee
 - i. Transitional Housing Advisory Committee
 - j. Russ Case
 - k. Adult Forum Committee
 - l. Music Committee
 - m. Church volunteers Esther Sui and Francie Cassidy
 - n. COS clergy for their help
 - o. Joanna Cory
 - p. Jonathan Burke
 - q. Kari Stewart and Gary Kinsley for their service on the Vestry
 - r. Vera Hoalim for 10 hours per week helping with accounting duties
 - s. Patti Beith
 - t. Dennis and Nancy Duling
 - u. Von Vine
 - v. Nancy Burrows
 - w. Bev Harris
 - x. Annie Thornberg
 - y. The Altar Guild
11. New Business – The Rev. Jeff D. S. Thornberg
 - a. Appointed the Rev. Tim Hartley as Senior Associate Rector
12. **Motion** was made by Eric Miller and seconded by Janey Cutting to adjourn the meeting at 10:18 am – motion approved

Respectively submitted by
 Patricia A. Beith
Vestry Clerk of Church of Our Saviour