

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MADISON

Session Highlights

May 14, 2018

PRESENT: **Moderator:** The Rev. Scott Foster

Ruling Elders: Bob Baisch, Bill Bowen, David DePaul, Brian Peterson, and Becky Moody, Clerk

Guest: Louise Kacerek, Treasurer

EXCUSED: Sara Burnet, Suzanne Flynn, Tom Selquist

Rev. Scott Foster called the meeting of Session to order at 7:31 PM.

There was a quorum present.

Brian Peterson offered a devotional based on the parable of the sower.

Scott Foster offered an opening prayer.

The docket was revised and adopted.

OMNIBUS MOTION - Approved

Resolved, Session approves the minutes of the Regular Session Meeting on March 12, 2018

Resolved, Session approves the minutes of the E-Meeting of April 19, 2018

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance & Stewardship: Louise Kacerek provided her monthly financial reports. She noted that income through April was ahead of budget, so there had been no transfers from the endowment. The Bauer bequest was received in April but not yet transferred to the designated account within the endowment fund. Louise had received a proposal to change the church's insurance coverage; she will ask Tom Selquist or Bill Wilt to review the proposal before proceeding. Louise was excused.

Personnel: A verbal report was provided and discussed.

Planning/Procedures/Process W.I.N.: Becky Moody provided a verbal report and recommended the use of Breeze church management software for \$50/month. Cathy Baillie will be involved in the implementation.

Capital Campaign – RENEW: Janet Foster had provided a photo of the start of the asbestos abatement project in the Fellowship Hall kitchen. Scott Foster reported that Janet has concluded that a commercial plumber is needed for the kitchen project.

Worship: Scott Foster provided a written report. A **Motion** was approved to offer communion on Pentecost, May 20.

Family Ministries: Scott Foster provided a verbal report, highlighting the garden planting on May 10. The Family Ministry Council is being formed.

Mission & Service: Becky Moody provided a verbal report highlighting recent and upcoming mission projects – a \$500 donation to the Madison Y, 48 pairs of shoes collected and delivered to Franklin, \$40 to RAMP from the quarter collection, and the Pentecost Offering, which will be on June 10 (Youth Sunday) rather than Pentecost because the focus of the offering is youth.

Properties: Scott Foster provided a verbal report, indicating that there are currently not enough estimates on the asbestos abatement piece of the sanctuary boiler project.

Communications: Scott Foster provided a verbal report; the focus is on keeping the website calendar up to date and the increased use of social media.

Clerk: Communion was celebrated on April 1, 2018 and May 6, 2018. Change in congregational roll – the death of Gerda Czyborra on May 6, 2018. The 2017 minutes were approved by Presbytery on April 7, 2018.

CORPORATE BUSINESS None

REPORT FROM MARCH 13, 2018 AND MAY 8, 2018 PRESBYTERY MEETINGS

Becky Moody reported on highlights of these meetings: March 13 – #MeToo, overtures to General Assembly; May 8 – examination of a candidate for ordination, celebration of the Newton-Nairobi partnership, commissioning of GA attendees, installation of new moderator and vice-moderator.

NEW BUSINESS

A **Motion** was approved to endorse Hannah Faye Allred and Patrick Allred to Newton Presbytery for Teaching Elder Inquiry; David DePaul volunteered to be their liaison with the Committee on Preparation for Ministry.

PASTOR'S REPORT: A written report was received. Scott noted that he will be conducting the Quran/Bible study with Hannah Faye Allred beginning on June 5.

The next regular session meeting is scheduled for June 11, 2018.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM with prayer led by Rev. Scott Foster.