

Stated Session Meeting Minutes
July 25, 2017
7:00 p.m., St. Andrew Room
Community Presbyterian Church in Celebration

Moderator: Rev. Dr. William Lewis
Clerk: Gail Gebhardt

Approved by Session August 22, 2017

Opening Prayer: Pastor Lewis opened the meeting at 7:04 with a prayer.

In Attendance: Bruce Carlson, George Crippen, Judy Gregg, Kim Hawk, David Hulme, Tedd Lingo and Beth McAulay

Excused: Charles Moore, and Jeff Smallwood

A Quorum was Present

Opening Devotions – Kim Hawk

Kim read the daily devotion for July 25 from “Jesus Calling” by Sarah Young. Scripture References: John 10:27, Romans 8:28 and Jeremiah 29:13.

Hear Me Calling. There is no limit to the variety of ways I can communicate with you. Your part is to be attentive to my messages in whatever form they come in. When you set out to find me in a day, you will find that the world is alive with my presence. You can find me not only in beauty but also in tragedy and faces of grief. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with your” whole being”. Listen for God. He is everywhere and in everything, in the good and in the bad. Take a moment and look around and you will feel his presence.

Pastor Lewis asked the question: “What is your whole being?”

Action Items:

Motion: Approval of the May 23, 2017, Session Minutes **M/S/A**

Motion: Approval of July 2, 2017 Congregational Meeting **M/S/A**

Motion: Approval of June 2017 Financials **M/S/A**

Finance Report – David Hulme

- *We are in good shape. We need to make sure people do not loose site of the fact the we have an Operational Budget as well as the Building Fund Budget.*
- *There is one concern and that is the air conditioner for the Sanctuary. It is getting old and repair line items could creep up this year.*
- *We have had higher attendance and thankfully higher giving.*
- *We are planning to close on the construction loan on Monday.*
- *We will continue to move forward as planned.*
- *Bruce Carlson complimented Michele Swanson, Tedd Lingo, David Hulme and the Finance Team for the great work they have done.*

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Membership *M/S/A*

Request for Baptism

- 2017-07-30 - Francesca Elizabeth Bonislawski – dob 2016-12-15 – daughter of Michele & Michael Bonislawski
- 2017-08-06 – Aubree Jean Cohen – dob 2016-08-06 – daughter of Breann Nichole Shearer & David Gadi Michael Cohen
- 2017-08-06 – Xiomisel Suazo Inorio of Celebration, FL and Dominican Republic – Adult **POSTPONED til 24th**
- 2017-08-06 – Alex Paeckel Suazo – dob -2006-06-01 - son of Xiomisel Suazo Inorio and Axel Paeckel
- 2017-08-06 – Patrick Paeckel Suazo – dob – 2003-12-20 – son of Xiomisel Suazo Inorio and Axel Paeckel
- 2017-08-10 - Nicholas Sterling Rockefeller of Davenport, FL - Adult
- 2017-08-10 - Sophia Rose Rockefeller – dob – 2015-08-15 – daughter of Alysha Rehrig & Nicholas Rockefeller
- 2017-08-10 - Olivia Jade Rockefeller – dob – 2017-04-22 – daughter of Alysha Rehrig & Nicholas Rockefeller

Clerk's Report: *None*

Staff Report: *Pastor Lewis*

- During October 24th-30th Pastor Lewis and Bill Vanderbush will be traveling to and preaching in Germany at an event which is also the 500th year anniversary of the Reformation through Luther. Neil Rhodes will preach on Sunday.
- CPCC 20th Anniversary Celebration is scheduled for October 7th. Kim Patterson, a former member who has returned, is excited to be the planning this event.
- We had a good stewardship meeting. Kristin has some great ideas and we are going forward. Session tossed around several ideas of how to make the Stewardship Campaign a little different this year.
- Bill, Neil and I had a conversation about the intra-structure of CPCC. We need to get new members; we have lots of visitors.
- I challenge you to read a chapter a day of the Bible and to write down your prayers.

New Business: *None*

Old Business:

Discussion on Ground-Breaking Ceremony.

- *Do we have it before the construction starts or is it okay to have after construction has begun?*
- *The month, date and time. Sunday after services vs. weekday.*
- *Do we invite dignitaries and/or celebrities?*
- *How much of a “celebration” should this be?*

Elder Written Reports Received

Judy Gregg, Kim Hawk, David Hulme, Tedd Lingo, Beth McAulay (JoAnn Tennant and Jennine Haffelt)

Committee or Special Reports: *None*

Closing Prayer

There being no other business, Pastor Lewis closed the meeting with a prayer at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Gebhardt

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REMINDERS:

- *Next Stated Session Meeting will be Tuesday, August 22, 2017, St. Andrew Room, 7 p.m.*
- *Opening Devotions: David Hulme*