

## **Stated Session Meeting Minutes for June 27, 2022**

Session convened at 6:00 p.m. and opened in prayer.

A quorum was noted with the following Session members present: Dave Breen, Grayson Bryant, Brian Collins, Mical Crumbly, Mark Fulton, Creighton Holt, Valena Hoy, Peggy Mackey, Rashell Matthews, Joel Phillips, Kristine Rand, Page Weaver, Jim Wood

### **Examination of Potential New Members:**

Lynnette Regan, Reaffirmation of Faith  
Jeff Regan, Reaffirmation of Faith  
Barbara John, Reaffirmation of Faith  
Rachel Cropper, Reaffirmation of Faith  
Yvonne Rogers, Reaffirmation of Faith

### **Guests:**

Hunter Johnston, Preschool Director and Director of the Children and Family Ministries

Gary Mackey, Building and Grounds Committee Chair

**MOTION:** To invite Gary Mackey to join the meeting. Passed unanimously.

**Devotional:** Peggy Mackey shared thoughts about seeing God in nature.

**Replacement Reserve Study Report:** Gary Mackey reviewed the FPC Replacement Reserve Study. He commented on a number of considerations as we move forward, noting that the study is a guideline for making financial decisions about church property over the next 40 years. It was noted that the Replacement Reserve Study should be reviewed by session once each year.

**Financial Report:** The financial report was reviewed by Lee Ann Warstler. She reported that both FPC and FPP continue to be in a good financial position overall.

### **Clerk's Communications and Reports:**

- Attendance Figures for May 15, 2022 through June 19, 2022.
- Membership Gains and Losses Figures
- Upcoming Session Meetings and Calendar Reminders
- Births and Deaths Information
- Baptisms and Weddings Conducted
- New Members and Transfers/Removals Noted

**Minutes for Stated Session Meeting for May 15, 2021:** Reviewed by Session and ordered by common consent.

**Consent Agenda:** The Consent Agenda for June 27, 2022 was approved and ordered by common consent.

**New Business:**

Brian Collins gave a report on "Team Noel." Noel Wallace is seeking support to enter the mission field in Southeast Asia. It was determined that Valena would speak to her about how to go about raising support by developing a clear vision and presentation for her mission aspirations.

**Staff Reports:**

**Preschool and Children and Family Ministries Report:** The preschool is doing very well. Contracts for the fall are very strong. Summer programming is going very well with much enthusiasm among participants in children's church. It was noted that 70% to 80% of children's church participants have a preschool connection.

**Director of Online Ministry Report:** Joel reported that the online ministry continues to grow and is doing very well. There have been 1500 podcast downloads, including downloads in 19+ countries. Savannah is taking a leadership role with the AVA team. Joel has been invited to be a guest preacher at two churches this summer. In-person and online attendance continues to reflect that FPC is growing a strong online community.

**PEVA Commissioner Report:** None this month.

**Team Reports / Committee Minutes, URC/N.E.S.T. Report:** Attached at end of docket.

**Pastors' Reports:**

Valena Hoy

The summer series is going well. Community groups are doing well and growing. The book "Distracted" by Bob Goff has been used to develop a Bible study resource for the summer. Valena reported that her part-time work schedule is working well in conjunction with a part-time sabbatical. Vacation Bible School will be a strong offering with a good lineup of teachers.

Jim Wood

Jim and Sheryl traveled to Eastern Europe in June to work with a ministry team. Jim commented on the experience. He reported that the FPC Outreach Foundation for Ukraine is doing well. He commented on the great programming by the choir. The URC is about to accelerate significantly with the approval of a major grant. Antipas is doing a great job at the Urban Renewal Center and becoming a key contact for city officials. He noted that a major project to reach out to people who have drifted away from church will be undertaken by FPC elders and deacons.

**Adjournment:** Meeting was closed in prayer and adjourned at 8:10 pm by common consent.

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Mark Fulton, Clerk of Session

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Rev. Jim Wood, Senior Pastor