

Clerk's Corner:

The following information was reported at the June 27, 2023, Session meeting:

Correspondence: letter of appreciation from Mark Tuschak, Vice-President of Schreiner University, for our benevolence gift of \$2000 for PASA scholarships; received a copy of the quarterly proceedings of the Presbyterian Southwest Historical Society (if interested, look in the library)

New Members: The following persons were received into membership by Profession of Faith (previously baptized) on May 21, 2023:

- Manuel Rojas Zavala
- Patricia Ann Zavala

Transfers Out: none

Deaths: none-Hallelujah!

Communion: Communion was served by intinction at the 11:00 am worship service on June 08, 2023. In June, extended communion was served to Charles Clark, Lee Locke, and Lois Thurmond by Alice Lerp and Angela Greene; Beth Gunter by Linda Grams and Sally Peterson; Theresa Holloman, Martin Noyd, John Osborn, and Elaine Scogin by Joyce Schlechte and Angela Greene; Rose Burton, Jeanine Merkel, Don and Janell Steele by Rita Odom and Nancy Wilson; Evelyn Humphrey by Cheryl Smith; Bob Bowers and Cora Belle Nunn by Shannon Tuschak; Sue Dyke by Susan Montoya and Shannon Tuschak; Bill Dole, Waldean Groff, Jack Groff by the Juniper Communion Team.

Financial Report: Total operating income for May was \$83,234. Total operating expense for May was \$105,230. Expenses exceeded income in May by \$21,996.

Deacon's Report: The deacons are not meeting in June or July, but they will continue to tend their flocks. They are taking pictures of those being served extended communion to update the directory.

Children's Ministry: Summer programs going very well: 15 children attended VBS and 20 children are currently enrolled in the creative arts camp.

Officer Nominating Committee: Making good progress on nominations. Still seeking two deacon nominees.

Property:

- A Task Force on Sanctuary security was formed to address security measures. It includes those from Property-Tommy Tait and Gary Crozier, those from Worship-Bruce Story and Linda Phillips, and those from Finance-David Williams and Steve Clyburn, and from Staff-Mary Stone. Tom Richardson will also serve. The first meeting will be June 27.
- Update on property projects: Completed installation of Light pole for Choir Room; All Sanctuary Doors have been refinished and replaced; Neal Courtyard fountain is near completion; Complete repainting of Church Office and Work Space is almost complete; New Pastor office is getting a facelift--Cleaning carpet and painting trim.

Visitors and New Members: Intends to restart the monthly Second Sunday Session meetings after the 11 o'clock worship to receive new members. We wanted to remind you of this Standards of Procedure provision before we started advertising it in the bulletin again.

Centennial Committee: The celebration of the 100th anniversary of Schreiner Chapel will be held in conjunction of the 100th anniversary of Schreiner University the weekend of September 16-18, 2023. The Currie Enrichment Lecture Series with Dr. Cynthia Rigby will be featured that weekend. Additionally, Dr. Rigby will be the guest lecturer at Schreiner University's Purposeful Lives banquet on Saturday evening, September 17. The Centennial Committee will recommend to the session a member or member couple to be recognized that evening for having led a purposeful life. All members of FPC-Kerrville will be invited to the banquet.

Pastor's Report: Rev. Montoya referenced her written report of her activities. She also commended to the session the outstanding job being done by all of the staff to prepare the office area, as well as all their other duties, for the arrival of the new pastor.

Business of Church Councils: Report of Commissioners to the June 16-17, 2023, stated meeting of Mission Presbytery to be held in San Antonio, TX @San Pedro Pres:

- Our own Fred Gamble moderated the meeting.
- COM recommended an alternative exegesis exam for a candidate, which was approved.
- The new Connect, Serve, and Learn Committees took written surveys.
- Approved an overture from University-Austin to amend the *Book of Order* Section F-1.0403 and G-2.0104b, adding categories to which the PCUSA does discriminate. This will be sent to the 226th General Assembly in 2024.
- Interesting reports from Evangelist in the Valley, Puentes de Cristo, Youth Connection, John Knox Ranch, and Austin Seminary

The following items were acted upon and approved:

- **Children's Ministry:** Approved an all-church hot-dog lunch in FLC following 11:00 worship on Sunday, August 13, 2023, in honor of all those going back to school.
- **Planning & Training:** Approved all recommended changes to the Standards of Procedure:
- **Worship & Music:** Approved the Hill Country Chorale to have a community-wide Messiah sing-along on December 31, 2023, in our sanctuary.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Ferguson
Clerk of Session