

**Clerk's Corner:**

The following information was reported at the August 28, 2023, Session meeting:

**Correspondence:** none

**New Members:** The following person was received into membership by Profession of Faith (previously baptized) on August 06, 2023: Dorothy LaJuan Scott

**Transfers Out:** none

**Deaths:** Lois Thurmond died on June 30, 2023. Her service was held in our sanctuary on July 11, 2023, with the Rev. Susan Montoya presiding.

**Communion:** Communion was served by intinction at the 11:00 am worship services on July 02 and August 06, 2023. In August extended communion was served to Lee Locke by Shannon Tuschak and Susan Montoya; Beth Gunter, Gene Hutzler, Ted McCullough, and John Osborn by Nancy Wallace and Betty Clyburn; Jeanine Merkel, Don and Janell Steele by Rita Odom and Nancy Wilson; Alice Lerp by Susan Montoya; Waldean Groff by Juniper Communion Team.

**Financial Report:** Total operating income for July was \$72,090. Total operating expense for July was \$84,883. Expenses exceeded income in August by \$12,793.

**Deacon's Report:** Diaconate meetings have resumed.

**Business of Church Councils:** The October 20-21, 2023, stated meeting of Mission Presbytery is being held at Mo Ranch. We will have 4 elder commissioners in addition to the pastors. Rev. Hernandez Garcia will be officially welcomed as a minister member. Becca Huchton is coordinating volunteers. Let Becca know if you can help. You might even be able to drive a golf cart!

The following items were acted upon and approved:

- **Planning & Training:** Recommended additional changes to the Standards of Procedure.
- **Property:** Recommended that \$10,000 of the church van reserve fund be used for major repairs. Property, Children's, and Youth Committees will recommend a plan for replacing the van. We now have a van rental agreement with Enterprise as needed.
- **Worship & Music:** Recommended that we have only one service with communion on the first Sunday of the month at 11:00 am.
- **Budget & Finance:** Recommended adding \$25,000 to the Children's Ministry budget for after-school programs to begin this fall.
- **Budget & Finance:** Recommended adding \$40,000 to Communications to include work on webpage redesign, streaming and other services to promote the church. Hope to find a college intern to assist.
- **Budget & Finance:** Recommended paying for the refurbishment of the sanctuary exterior doors from gift given by the Thurmond family.
- **Budget & Finance:** Recommended spending \$60 +K from the Thurmond gift for major security improvements such as outside lighting, security locking devices for the office, choir room, and sanctuary. Additionally, the Security Task Force has recommended securing the walkway between Ryan Hall and the sanctuary, as well as an armed uniformed policeman be present on Sundays and special events.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Ferguson  
Clerk of Session