

## **Clerk's Corner**

The following information was reported at the Session during the first quarter of 2024 (January through March).

**Correspondence:** A thank you letter from Rev. Lemuel Garcia-Arroyo, Ministry Engagement Advisor, Office of Ministry Engagement and Support, for our support, dedication, and partnership in furthering God's mission around the world.

**Baptisms:** Levi Dodson, son of Andrew and Bethany Dodson February 11, 2024. Sage and Daxton Duran, children of Maddie Repka and Damian Duran February 11, 2024. Oliver Umfress, son of Savannah and Ramen Umfress February 25, 2024. Hendrix Hawkins son of Amanda and Matthew Hawkins February 25, 2024.

**New Members:** Tammy and Freed Toll by letter of transfer from First Presbyterian Church in Edmond, Oklahoma. After a successful "Discover FPC" luncheon, several people have expressed interest in joining the church. We will do so later in April.

**Deaths:** Anne Brunsvold died on January 30, 2024, and a celebration of her life was held in the Sanctuary on February 3, 2024. Pat Stoner died on January 31, 2024. Nina Wright died on January 31, 2024. Deborah Groot died on February 3, 2024. Bill Vaughn died on February 13, 2024. Rev. David Tritenbach died on February 21, 2024, and a celebration of his life was held in the Sanctuary on March 3, 2024. Beth Gunter died on March 25, 2024, and a celebration of her life was held on March 28, 2024.

**Extended Communion** was served to Charles Clark, Lee Locke, Kit Morris, Carl and Doris Shulse, Beth Gunther, Gene Hutzler, Ted McCullough, Waldean Groff, Martin Noyd, Elaine Scogin, Peggy McCullough, Evelyn Humphrey, Cora Belle Nunn, Sue Dyke, Vickie Yates.

**Financial Report:** Our year-to-date total expenses were \$168,355, which is \$5,007 under our income of \$173,362 and \$5,393 under budget.

**Children's Corner Preschool:** Scott Russell decided to retire on March 15. Ms. Caitlin Sandlin has become the interim director. CCP continues to face several financial challenges. The committee is working on different solutions and possible new partnership to maintain the vitality of this program.

**Planning & Training:** The committee held an officer's retreat in January. It has selected a slate for the 2024 officer nominating committee.

**Children Youth, and Young Adults:** Emily reported that the youth are keeping very busy with Confirmation and continue to see great engagement. The partnership with Schreiner has taken a pause until they call a new Campus Minister. Children's Sunday school and Parent's Night Out continue to see good engagement.

**Pastor's Report:**

Pastor Susan has expressed her desire not to be a paid staff member by the end of 2024. She will take medical leave in July and return later in August in a different capacity. We are working on a transition plan that will allow for an additional Parish Associate.

Pastor Jasiel is working with the Personnel Committee to make appropriate staff changes as needed. He continues to serve on the Board of Pan American School. He will be traveling in April with his preaching cohort and at the end of the month to attend Samuel Phillip's wedding in Atlanta.

**The following items were acted upon and approved:**

Budget & Finance presented the budget for 2024, which the Session approved. The session also approved a motion to withdraw up to \$100,000 from designated funds as needed to meet the budget.

Planning and Training: The session approved a motion to call a congregational meeting on April 14, 2024, to elect the slate of nominees to serve on the 2024 Officer Nominating Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Endsley, Clerk of Session