

MINUTES
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
STATED MEETING OF SESSION
February 26, 2022

The meeting was called to order and opened with prayer by Pastor Ashley Love at 145PM. A quorum was declared.

Roll	Bill Alessio	Gretchen Louden	Craig Holmes	Sylvia Cavanaugh
	Kim Roider	Wilfred Tamon (ex)	Carol Dietrich	Gail Herron (ex)
	Cheryl Hunt			
	Moderator: Rev. Ashley Love			
	Clerk: Janet Sepiol			
	Guest: Suzi Treganza, Office Manager			

The Meeting Agenda was approved.

Clerk's Report:

- The Minutes of the January 16, 2022 Stated Meeting were approved.
- The Minutes of the January 30, 2022 Annual Congregational Meeting were approved.
- Cheryl, Sylvia, and Pastor Ashley reported on the February 12th Presbytery Meeting. Highlights included the proposed Vision Statement, the 2022 budget, and a presentation on the Cortez Church now being closed.
- The sign up for Commissioners for Presbytery meetings the rest of the year was passed around.
- The sign up for bringing food for Session meetings the rest of the year was passed around.

Consent Items

- It was MSP that the Presbytery of North Central California Mission commitment for 2022 be \$7,050, to be divided 25% (\$1,762.50) to General Assembly and 75% (\$5,287.50) to Synod/Presbytery

Pastor's Report

- Session members and the committees they chair will be listed on the back page of the bulletin.
- There will be a Zoom presentation by the Presbytery introducing "Project Regeneration & Church Sustainability," a program being offered by Presbytery Foundation. It will be Saturday, March 5, 9AM - 11AM. Pastor Ashley will be attending, and anyone else is welcome.
- Pastor Ashley and members of Faith in the Valley met with Rep. Josh Harder to discuss many issues, including homelessness.

Discussion Items:

- We have received a proposal by Reality to meet regarding moving their service to the morning. It was decided that members of Session, FB&G, and Worship & Music should meet with Pastors Christian and Matt and any other members of Reality to hear their proposal on March 6 after church. They have also now said they would like to have their Easter Service in the morning, so we will hear then also what they propose. We will try to decide about Easter right away, as they want a quick answer on that. For the long term sharing the morning, we would like to meet with the Congregation after church on March 13 to give information and receive feedback.

- It was MSP to create and commission a Membership Committee. This will be a short term committee to review the membership rolls, see who's active and who's not, and report back to Session. Cheryl will chair the committee, and Craig, Sylvia, and Janet will serve on the committee.

Committee Reports:

Christian Education - Kim reported:

- Regarding the Safety Policy, Autumn is fine with Maggie and Charlie Luber teaching together as a married couple. The committee, along with Maggie and Charlie, decided it would also be good idea to install a camera in the nursery.
- John Vaughn will be leading a Lenten Study on the book of Romans Tuesdays at 630PM, starting March 8. The class will meet in person at the church. Our Acts Bible study will meet this Tuesday and then adjourn through Lent.

Congregational Care – Sylvia reported:

- Marj Wall is able now to have visitors but Sylvia needed to take a quick test to see her.

Fellowship - no report

Finance, Buildings and Grounds – Carol reported:

- The parking lot will be resurfaced and lined the first week of May. It will cost \$6,948.
- New Basketball backboards will be installed.
- There will be project requests going to Mission for projects to be paid from their "Welcoming All in Safety" Fund.

Mission – Cheryl reported:

- She attended a Unity Service for the 7 people recently killed in Stockton by gun violence.
- The proposed special offering dates were approved.
- The recommendation that we concur with the overture on commending and recommending the Guns to Gardens Movement to prevent gun violence was passed. There will be a national event on June 11. For a local event, there are things needed - unwanted guns to dismantle, someone expert in handling guns. And there is the question - do we want police presence?
- Family Promise needs another coordinator. There are 2 trainings coming up on February 28 and March 1. Pastor Ashley will be attending. Our church may be hosting families May 8 - 15.

Nominating – no report

Personnel – Bill reported:

- The 2022 terms of call for Pastor Ashley were approved at the Congregational Meeting.

Stewardship – no report

Support and Endowment – Craig reported:

- The committee met with the Bank of Stockton this week for their annual report.
- Craig distributed the 4th quarter 2021 Support and Endowment fund reports and the "burn notice" for 2021.

Worship and Music – Gretchen reported:

- There will be a training session for ushers.
- For Ash Wednesday on March 2, the church will be open 4PM - 630PM with stations set up for worship.
- For Maundy Thursday, the Thursday Bible study group will be extending their meeting for others to attend.
- For Good Friday, we will be partnering with Trinity.

- To celebrate our Church's birthday March 17, the committee would like to have cupcakes outside on the patio Sunday, March 20. MSP to approve holding a birthday celebration on March 20th.
- It was MSP to reinstate coffee hour after church.

Thanks to Sylvia for the delicious lunch today. Janet volunteered to bring it next month.

Dates to remember:

March 1	Last Acts Bible Study Session
March 2	Ash Wednesday - 4PM - 630PM - Sanctuary open
March 5	Project Regeneration & Church Sustainability - Presbytery via Zoom
March 6	Meeting with Reality
March 6	1st Sunday of Lent
March 8	First Lenten Study - Romans - 630PM
March 13	Daylight Savings Time Begins
March 13	2nd Sunday of Lent
March 17	Church birthday
March 20	Cupcakes to celebrate the church's birthday
March 20	3rd Sunday of Lent
March 27	4th Sunday of Lent

Our next Stated Meeting will be March 20 after church.

Craig closed the meeting in prayer at 3:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Sepiol
Clerk of Session