

STATED SESSION MEETING MINUTES
TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
May 17, 2022

Prior to the meeting, there was dinner and social time with TPC's new senior pastor and new elders.

CALL TO ORDER / DECLARATION OF QUORUM

Rebekah LeMon

The stated Session meeting for Trinity Presbyterian Church on May 17, 2022, was called to order in Old Williams Hall at 7:12PM by the moderator, Rebekah LeMon. The assistant clerk, David Carr, confirmed the presence of a quorum, and the moderator acknowledged guests at the meeting from the Elder Class of 2025 and David Beasley (Treasurer).

Rebekah invited Mary-Elizabeth Jackson to the podium for the night's devotion.

DEVOTION

Mary-Elizabeth Jackson

Mary-Elizabeth shared her experience of raising a family puppy (named May). As a remedy to the puppy's boundless energy, Mary-Elizabeth started regular walks. At first, walking May was a chore but it evolved into a delight in the beauty of nature and even a spiritual practice through prayer. In a stressful year for her family that included a new job, virtual learning, returning to in-person school, college applications, and more, Mary-Elizabeth witnessed the power of prayer and focusing more on God's will during her daily walks. Mary-Elizabeth closed with a poem as a prayer to close the devotion and open the meeting.

OMNIBUS MOTION to approve Consent Agenda

Rebekah LeMon

Rebekah LeMon directed Session members to the omnibus motion in the meeting packet. Rebecca asked if any items needed to be pulled. There was no discussion. The motion carried without any opposition.

CLERK'S REPORT

David Carr

With Amy Krause (Clerk) traveling, David Carr (Assistant Clerk) shared a letter from Amy to Session members. David echoed Amy's thanks and gratitude for the outgoing class of elders. David directed all Session members to the statistical report and membership minutes in the packet. David also brought forth a motion for the church calendar.

MOTION: The Worship & Music Committee moves to approve the 2022-2023 Communion and Baptism schedule as listed in the Session Packet.

Coming as a recommendation from a committee of Session, the motion did not require a second. There was no discussion. The motion carried without opposition.

David shared additional gratitude for recent Presbytery commissioners, for Paul King's planning and leading of worship on May 8, and for the incoming class of elders' dedication to recent training and willingness to serve Trinity Church.

MODERATOR'S REPORT

Rebekah LeMon

Rebekah LeMon shared details about the ordination process for new/incoming elders on Sunday at the 11:00AM worship service. Rebekah also shared gratitude to session members for their work during the interim process to ready the church for new things. Rebekah reminded the outgoing elders to collect the cross ornaments provided for them as a token of Trinity's thanks for each's ministry.

SPECIAL ORDERS & REPORTS:

EXAMINATIONS OF ELDERS

Lucy Strong

New elder candidates were grouped with current elders at tables for small group discussion and questioning. Faith statements prepared by new elder candidates were distributed to current elders for review in advance. After the conclusion of lively examinations at each table, moderators of each small group summarized the conversation and made the following recommendations: Lasley Gober (Table 5) sustained the nominations of Tanner Adams and Duskin Balch. Esther Stokes (Table 4) sustained the nominations of Meredith Daniel and Lindsey Green. Julie Hope (Table 3) sustained the nominations of

Martha Craft and Drew Timmons. Velma Tilley (Table 2) sustained the nominations of Kristin Hunter, Tom Owens, and John Shepard. Jim Balloun (Table 1) sustained the nominations of Reid Willingham and Kenny Kraft. Also, Allen Spetnagel sustained the nominations of Chris Suh and Allen Moseley from a Zoom examination the previous evening (note: David Carr and Richard Floyd were also in attendance).

MOTION: The Session enthusiastically sustains the nominations of the Nominating Committee and welcomes new elders, after having participated in elder training and having been examined, to serve on behalf of the congregation. Installation will take place on Sunday, May 22, 2022, during 11:00 AM worship.

The motion was moved by Lucy Strong and was seconded. There was no discussion. The motion carried without opposition and with great enthusiasm as votes were cast by standing in support of Trinity's new elders! Rebekah LeMon prayed for the group and gave thanks to God for the elders' commitment to ministry at Trinity.

PROPERTY

Esther Stokes

MOTION: The Property Committee, on behalf of the Infrastructure Committee, moves that the Session approve extended hours as needed for the infrastructure project teams if coordinated through the Trinity Operations team. An Infrastructure Project leader and/or Trinity Operations team member will be on-property when extended-hours work is being performed. Security alarms will be adjusted to accommodate pre-scheduled, extended hour requests. This approval will last until November 1 when all the infrastructure projects are planned to be completed.

Coming as a recommendation from a committee of Session, the motion did not require a second. There was little discussion. The motion carried without opposition.

FINANCE

David Beasley

David Beasley (Treasurer) presented an April 2022 financial statement summary and a summary analysis of operations and answered questions from the group.

PRESBYTERY MEETING REPORT

Allen Spetnagel

Allen Spetnagel reported on the stated meeting of Presbytery on May 3, 2022. The theme was authentic, intentional evangelism. Allen shared the content and highlights from the meeting and looks forward to his next Presbytery meeting.

OPEN FORUM

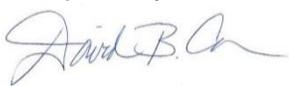
Rebekah LeMon offered the opportunity to discuss other business of the church. Shirley Davis shared the dates of September 18 & 25 for a planned Engagement Fair before and after worship. The purpose of this exercise is to encourage members to engage in Trinity's community of faith through various groups to build relationships and make friends and deepen ministry. On behalf of the Personnel Committee, David Carr (Assistant Clerk) shared that Molly Faircloth (Executive Director of Finance and Administration) recently achieved a 10-year anniversary working at Trinity. David shared comments of gratitude for Molly's service to Trinity and read a card to Molly from the Personnel Committee.

CLOSING PRAYER AND DEPARTING BLESSINGS

Rebecca LeMon & Lucy Strong

A motion was made and affirmed to adjourn the meeting. Lucy Strong closed the meeting with prayer. The meeting adjourned at 8:34pm.

Respectfully submitted,



David Carr
Assistant Clerk



Amy Krause
Clerk

Trinity Presbyterian Church Session In-person Attendance (In Bold), May 17, 2022:

Name	Name	Name
Balloun, Jim	Adams Jr., Tom	Roxanna Erwin
Benn, Doug	Bynum, Laura	Ginny Hobbs
Davis, Shirley	Carr, David – Asst. CLERK	Bonnie Holiday
Gober, Lasley	George, Bess	Richard O'Donnell
Karasick, Steve	Guerry, Bill	Trey Reese
Krause, Amy - CLERK	Hope, Julie	Lane Rhoden
Pendergrast, Craig	Jackson, Mary Elizabeth	Allen Spetnagel
Powers, Richard	Lewis, Dale	Cindy Stancil
Shoup, Sarah	Portik, Courtney	Adair White
Stokes, Esther	Tilley, Velma	Neal Williams
		Miranda Borland (Youth)
		Cate Thompson (Youth)
Staff Attendees:	Other Attendees:	New Elders:
Rebekah LeMon-Moderator	David Beasley - Treasurer	Reid Willingham
Elizabeth Davis		Kenny Kraft
Andrew Esqueda		Kristin Hunter
Molly Faircloth		Tom Owens
Tom Farmer		John Shepard
Richard Floyd		Martha Craft
Norman Mackenzie		Drew Timmons
Lucy Strong		Tanner Adams (youth)
Cindy Semmes		Duskin Balch (youth)
		Meredith Daniel
		Lindsey Green