#### CALLED SESSION MEETING MINUTES TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH May 20, 2023

## **CALL TO ORDER & DECLARATION OF QUORUM**

The called Session meeting for Trinity Presbyterian Church on May 20, 2023, was called to order in Old Fellowship Hall at 4:09 PM by the moderator, Rebekah LeMon. The clerk, David Carr, confirmed the presence of a quorum.

#### INTRODUCTIONS

Rebekah asked all elders (including incoming elders and outgoing elders) to introduce themselves and briefly review their respective areas of ministry focus.

# FALL 2022 SESSION PRIORITY WORK

Rebekah LeMon began by reviewing the session's work from the Fall of 2022 related to determining priorities and direction for the future. Elders were directed a summary document outlining the priorities as they were presented to the College of Elders in October 2022.

# **REFLECTING AND BRAINSTORMING**

Following a review of session priorities, Rebekah directed session members to convene in small groups to reflect on what the church is called to create, the issues that cause us to worry, and the plans we dream about implementing going forward. A robust and meaningful discussion took place about what it means to be a welcoming, adaptive church that transcends traditional religious boundaries, creates engaging and integrated worship opportunities for all ages, and nurtures a courageous faith community comprised of active members who serve as the hands and feet of Christ in the world.

### **EXAMINATION OF ELDERS**

After dinner and fellowship, all session members convened in small groups to discuss the faith statements submitted by members of the elder class of 2023. That class of elders—whose membership was approved by the congregation at the annual meeting on Sunday, March 26--includes Karen Bain, John Balch, Dean Cleaveland, Rebekah Groover, Jay Harris, Paige Keller, Nick Leet, Jon McRae, Catherine Quillian (youth), Helen Slawson (youth), Mary Kelly Speed, and Catherine Warren. Following successful examinations, the new elders were enthusiastically approved by acclimation to be installed on Sunday, May 21, 2023.

### CLOSING PRAYER AND DEPARTING BLESSINGS

A motion was made and affirmed to adjourn the meeting. Lucy Strong closed the meeting with prayer. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

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#### Session Members

Lucy Strong

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Respectfully submitted,

Aard B. Ch Bonnie Holliday

David Carr Clerk

Bonnie Holliday Assistant Clerk

Trinity Presbyterian Church Session In-person Atten	ndance (In Bold), May 20, 2023:
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Name	Name	Name	Name
Adams Jr., Tom	Roxanna Erwin	Reid Willingham	Karen Bain
Bynum, Laura	Ginny Hobbs	Kenny Kraft	Paige Keller
Carr, David – Clerk	Bonnie Holiday –	Kristin Hunter	Rebekah Groover
	Asst. Clerk		
George, Bess	Richard O'Donnell	Tom Owens	Nick Leet
Guerry, Bill	Trey Reese	Martha Craft	Dean Cleaveland
Hope, Julie	Lane Rhoden	Drew Timmons	Jay Harris
Jackson, Mary	Allen Spetnagel	Tanner Adams	John Balch
Elizabeth		(youth)	
Lewis, Dale	Cindy Stancil	Duskin Balch	Catherine Warren
		(youth)	
Shepard, John	Adair White	Meredith Daniel	Mary Kelly
Tilley, Velma	Neal Williams	Allen Moseley	Jon McRae
		Chris Suh	Mary Kelly Speed
		Lindsey Greene	Catherine Quillian (youth)
			Helen Slawson
			(youth)
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Staff Attendees:	Other Attendees:	Guests	
Rebekah LeMon-			
Moderator			
Elizabeth Davis			
Andrew Esqueda			
Lucy Strong			