

Stated Meeting
 First Presbyterian Church
 January 18, 2024 6:30 PM, Meeting Room/Virtual Meeting Room

Elders Present: Candy Brown, Nebbie Brown, AJ Conti, Diane Crosthwaite, Lori Disbennett, Debby Galloway, Dave Gibson, Donna Maley, Linda Rinehart, Jill Sements, Kathy Wickline, and Kathi Kinney- Clerk/Elder, Moderator-Rev. Diane Flynn, Kathy Strohm, Treasurer

Guest: Rev. Kathy Nice, Transitional General Presbyter of Presbytery of Scioto Valley

A quorum was present.

Rev. Nice was introduced to the Session by Rev. Flynn.

The meeting was opened with prayer and a discussion of the book “Turn Your Church Inside Out.”

Session Actions:

1. On **motion, second and VOTED** to seat Rev. Nice with voice no vote.
2. Rev. Flynn announced that she will be taking FMLA leave for up to 3 months beginning April 1, 2024 for health reasons. Rev. Nice informed Session that she may have a gap pastor for us.
3. With regret, the Session accepts the resignation of Stephanie Smith, Communications Specialist, effective February 4, 2024, due to increased responsibilities at her own church. Rev. Diane plans to transition some of her responsibilities to Laura Perkins and some to AJ Conti.
4. On **motion, second and VOTED** to approve the minutes of December 21, 2023.
5. On **motion, second and VOTED** to approve the following communion dates: February 11th – Transfiguration of the Lord, March 3rd – 3rd Sunday in Lent, March 28th – Maundy Thursday, April 7th – 2nd Sunday after Easter, May 5th, June 2nd, July 7th, August 4th, September 8th. Sept. 1st is Labor Day weekend & not many folks would be in church. Sept. 8th is the first day of Sunday School. October 6th – World Communion Sunday, November 3rd, December 8th – 2nd Sunday of Advent, January 5, 2025 - Epiphany
6. On motion, second and VOTED to approve a Lenten soup and study to follow Sunday worship Feb. 18- Mar. 24.

7. On **motion and VOTED** to waive the high school graduate requirement for the Nursery/Caregiver applicant Lily, who exhibits poise and maturity and has experience & training with children at the YMCA.
8. On **motion, second and VOTED** the child protection policy was tabled until the Admin team can revise it.
9. On **motion and VOTED** the financial report was accepted and will be submitted for audit.
10. On **motion, second and VOTED** all reports were received.
11. On **motion, second and VOTED** to have Candy Brown attend the Presbytery meeting as commissioner on February 20, 2024.
12. On **motion, second and VOTED** to have Kathy Strohm continue as Treasurer and Kathi Kinney as Clerk of Session.

Reports were received from:

1. Pastor's report was distributed.
2. Worship Team Report was distributed.
3. Property Team Report was distributed.
4. Education Team Report was distributed.
5. Mission Team Reports were distributed.
6. Treasurer's report was given.
7. Stewardship Team Report was distributed.
8. Administrative Team Report was distributed.

Ministrations:

1. Communion:
Communion was celebrated on Sunday January 7, 2024 by Rev. Diane Flynn.
2. The below documentation was received into the minutes due to email votes:
On January 8, 2024 on motion, second and VOTED to allow Mouth of the Wolf to use the Upper Room on Thursdays, January 11 through February 8, 2024 from 5-7:30pm.
3. The next meeting will be held on February 15, 2024 Closing prayer-Linda Rinehart

On **motion and VOTED** the meeting was dismissed with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathi Kinney, Clerk