

10.9.18

Regular Meeting of the Session

First Presbyterian Church, Lincoln, IL

The Rev. Adam R. Quine called the Session meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. with Ruling Elders Debbie Schweitzer, Rob Harmon, Roger Boss, Diane Osborn, Beth Green, Karen Sams Davis, Bob Chamberlain, and Cathy Maciariello in attendance. Excused was Tracy Olson.

The Agenda was approved with a motion which moved the Prayer to the end of the meeting. The minutes from the September meeting were approved.

The Clerk reported September attendance of 2) 65; 9) 66; 16) 52; 30) 51;

There were no Baptisms, Deaths, or Transfers. New members are Alex Hoffert and George Martin.

Communion was served Sept. 2. Home Communion was served to Carole & Darrell Holladay, James & Joyce Shirley, Dorothy Harrison, Marilyn & Julius Kasa, and Ann Kvitle.

Communications included receipt of a \$300 donation from John C. Stewart with a note expressing appreciation to Pastor Quine and the congregation for our generosity in providing a very meaningful celebration of the life of Jim Stewart;

Receipt of a \$7 donation from Texas Roadhouse from its Dine to Donate program, which donates to congregations whose members show their church bulletin when dining at Texas Roadhouse;

Great Rivers Presbytery newsletter informing Per Capita for 2019 will be \$34.22, a \$2.22 increase; a three percent increase was approved for Effective Salaries; the Rev. Ryan Landino, Lead Presbyter for Transformation, reported Town Hall meetings called for greater communication, connection, building trust, and a sense of purpose;

Brochures for an Illinois, Wisconsin, & Iowa Youth Assembly at Stronghold Camp in Oregon, IL are available online; Cost is \$120 with \$20 scholarships available;

A request from Third Presbyterian Church, Springfield, to use our church as a Neutral Pulpit Sunday, Oct. 14; This was approved in an email vote.

A signed contract for the Wilmert Farm was received and forwarded to the Administrative Team.

The Rev. Quine informed his semester of studies is progressing well. He has signed up with a clergy coach. Second Presbyterian Church in Bloomington has been added to his Committee on Ministry responsibilities.

Pastor Quine said the Deacons are being asked to host a reception for Carolyn & Jim Reynolds prior to their move to Iowa.

Budget worksheets were given to the committees.

The **Mission & Outreach** committee, Karen Sams Davis and Rob Harmon, chairmen, announced the Kids' Christmas Shopping Event will be Dec. 18, 19, & 20.

A donation of \$280 to help with educational tuition costs for two female Logan Correctional Center inmates was received from a Women's Group at Holy Family Catholic Church.

The Mission outing to the Presbyterian Home in Springfield was successful with participants from our church washing windows and spreading mulch. A ceremony commemorating the Rev. Dr. Charles Hendricks is planned at a later date.

Lori Jackson of the SIU Dental program will be updating our congregation Oct. 21 on how our donation is being used.

This year's recipient of the \$250 portion of the Peacemaking Offering retained locally is the Middletown Kids' Kafe, which provides worship, a meal and activities for youth on Wednesday evenings. Up to 17 young people attend.

The committee is checking with schools to determine if there are students in need of winter coats.

The committee approved increasing its budget from \$65,000 to \$65,500 and funding a new mission. The Christian Childcare Library will be given \$200.

The Blessing of the Animals was successful with guests including a reporter and a member of St. John United Church of Christ.

The **Worship & Spiritual Formation** committee, Cathy Maciariello chairman, informed St. John's United Church of Christ members have expressed an interest in attending the Dec. 9 cantata in our Sanctuary. Our choir has accepted an invitation to present its cantata at a 5 p.m. program in Atlanta which will be followed by a carol sing and refreshments.

St. John Church will be providing a Reformation Sunday speaker to present a monologue of Martin Luther.

The **Fellowship** committee, Beth Green and Debbie Schweitzer chairmen, noted Carolyn Reynolds will host the November 3 coffee. A coffee at St. Clara's Manor is being scheduled for a date to be determined. The October Coffee was held at the home of Cathy Maciariello & Annie Hieronymus.

Church services on Sunday, Oct. 7, will be held at St. John United Church of Christ with Pastor Quine participating in the service.

The annual Wiener Roast at the Boss home will be at 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 21.

The committee will host a reception for Kelli Woodard following her receipt into membership on Reformation Sunday.

The first night for discussing Funeral Planning will be Wednesday, Nov. 14.

The **Administrative** team, Roger Boss, Rob Harmon, Tracy Olson, & Bob Chamberlain reported a Sanctuary furnace shut down and parts are not available. An estimate for a new furnace has been received. Plans call for the air conditioning unit is to be purchased in the next calendar year.

Boy Scout Troop 111 has indicated it will be disbanding. It is possible a Girl Scout Troop might meet here.

The **Treasurer** reported she is in the process of reversing several incorrect journal entries and paid bills for July and August prior to issuing the dedicated report.

Session members reviewed the September Check Register, Statement of Financial Position, Deposit Register, and the July Statement of Activities.

The Books *Asset Mapping* and *Neighborhood Mapping* were reviewed by Session members.

The following **Motions** were approved:

To permit Third Presbyterian Church, Springfield, to use our church as a Neutral Pulpit on Sunday, Oct. 14;

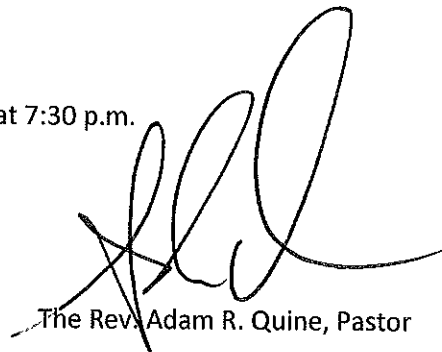
To allow Carolyn and Jim Reynolds to house their plant in the Christian Education Building during cold weather; and

To approve the committee reports.

Rev. Quine closed the Session meeting with prayer at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Cherry Osborn, Clerk of Session



The Rev. Adam R. Quine, Pastor