

Bonhomme Presbyterian Church
14820 Conway Road, Chesterfield, MO
Stated Meeting of the Session
March 19, 2019

Moderator: Rev. Phil Hargrove
Acting Clerk of Session: Cheryl Holland

Place: Chapel
Time: 7:15 pm

Ruling Elders Present: Mike Boland, Jenny Brown, Pam Douthit, Lisa Hartshorn, Jim Kilby, Jeanne Luther, Jenni Stecher, John Steffen, Cliff Van Ittersum, Keith Whittemore

Teaching Elders Present: Rev. Phil Hargrove, moderator

Staff and Others: John Green

CALL TO ORDER:

Following a shared dinner, fellowship at 6:00 pm, and then by passing the peace and a time of worship which began at 6:30 pm, the meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm and a quorum was declared. The meeting was opened with prayer by Phil Hargrove. Phil thanked Keith Whittemore for the crafting to the new table for session meetings. Session applauded Keith and thanked him for his craftsmanship, hard work and efforts.

SPECIAL REPORTS AND UPDATES:

Nancy Kopsky and Kerry Pozaric recently audited Bonhomme's financial procedures for 2017-2018. They reported that Bonhomme is good shape but did note that there were a few items that could be done a bit better.

The Session praised and thanked them for their efforts.

Session members agreed to look over the items mentioned that needed work, pertaining to their ministry areas and will report back in the next several months to report on their progress.

Phil then turned the meeting over to Scott Martin who presented a talk and slide show on the book Canoeing the Mountains by Tod Bolsinger of Fuller Theological Seminary. Scott presented a very good review of the book. There was good discussion around the table.

Phil then asked Cliff Van Ittersum and Pam Douthit to report on their meetings with Jeanette and David Peevers. Both Cliff and Pam stated that they felt the meetings went well and that they feel that there has been a change and that their there is reconciliation in their hearts. Pam and Cliff that they would be willing to talk with staff, if needed. Phil thanked Cliff, Pam and Jeff Erkert for their work on this issue.

Phil then led the Session in a time of prayer.

Cliff Van Ittersum talked about the new church officers. Cliff informed the session of two dates”
April 23 – called session meeting and dinner for examination of officers and
May 19 – Ordination and Installation service

Session then talked about the Night of Worship service that took place on the night of March 10.
Session gave kudos to Phil for this wonderful worship service. All loved having Graydon Tomlinson here
to lead the service. All thought he we very talented.

PROCEDURAL ITEMS:

The Session approved the minutes of the February meeting.

The Session approved that 254 people at the Traditional Services and 159 at the Contemporary
Worship service were served communion on March 10, 2019 and 180 at the Night of Worship service
on March 10.

The session approved the removal of Della Waldram from our rolls due to her deaths.

Session approved Susan and Steve Lucas as new members.

Session approved the collection of a special AlmsDay Giving to be taken on April 7, 2019.

Session approved Keith Whittemore to be the Session representative for the Board of Directors.

Session approved the baptism of Emily Mueller, the daughter of Vanessa & Jacob Mueller.

Session commissioned Linda Verseman and Kim Luther to serve homebound communions.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:59 with John Green closing in prayer. Peace and harmony prevailing.

Approved by Session: April 16, 2019

Cheryl H. Holland
Cheryl Holland, Acting Clerk of Session