

**STATED SESSION MEETING
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ORLANDO
May 23, 2023**

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO ORDER

A stated meeting of the session of FPCO was held on May 23, 2023, and was called to order by moderator, Teaching Elder Dr. David D. Swanson at 6:00 PM.

REPORT - Aaron Farrant, Head of School - The Christ School

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

ATTENDANCE:

Teaching Elders: David Swanson, Tanner Fox, Paul Gibson, Case Thorp

Senior Leadership Team: Charles Bell and Christina McDaniel

Ruling Elders: Scarlett Broughton, Jeff Brown, John Burden, Gabriel de Guia, Bruce Gordy, Joel Hall, Bill Hull, Mike Kelley, Greg McNeill, Lisa Schultz, Sam Spears, Chris Sproles, Bryan Tabler, Jonathan Thigpin, Lance Fair and Kurt Wood

Excused: Steve Cahill and Buzz Auzley

Other Attendees: Alexa Rossi

A quorum was declared.

CORRESPONDANCE - None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF SESSION MEETING ON March 28, 2023 - M/S/P

APPROVAL OF THE DOCKET - M/S/P

STATISTICS

Membership as of March 31, 2022	3,572
Membership as of February 28, 2023	3,034
Transfers into the Congregation	34
Reaffirmation of Faith	0
Profession of Faith	27
Profession of Faith and Baptism	7
Restored to the Roll	1
Total Additions	0
Transfers from the Congregation	0
Deaths	3
Removed from the Roll	0

Placed on the Inactive Roll	0
Total Reductions	3
Membership as of March 31, 2023	3,067

Deaths:

Mrs. Julia Robertson, March 1, 2023
 Mr. Carl Seltzer, March 3, 2023
 Mrs. Gloria Holly, March 13, 2023

Marriages:

Mr. and Mrs. John Winchester (Elizabeth McLean), March 4, 2023
 Mr. and Mrs. Gary Desravines (Rachel Keilman), March 17, 2023

Child Baptisms:

Amelia Grace Engle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kyle (Camilla) Engle, March 12, 2023
 Walter Alexander Hediger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Renato (Megan) Hediger, March 12, 2023
 Paxton Reid Rosecrans, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dustin (Alicia) Rosecrans, March 19, 2023

Adult Baptisms:

Ms. Emerson DeMarco, March 26, 2023
 Mr. Lachlan Hammonds, March 26, 2023
 Ms. Charlotte Kelley, March 26, 2023
 Ms. Olivia Morejon, March 26, 2023

Mr. Jackson Spence, March 26, 2023
 Mr. Brooks DeMarco, March 26, 2023
 Mr. Elliot Van Dyke, March 26, 2023

Membership as of April 30, 2022	3,597
Membership as of March 31, 2023	3,034
Transfers into the Congregation	0
Reaffirmation of Faith	0
Profession of Faith	0
Profession of Faith and Baptism	0
Restored to the Roll	0
Total Additions	0
Transfers from the Congregation	0
Deaths	3
Removed from the Roll	0
Placed on the Inactive Roll	0
Total Reductions	3
Membership as of April 30, 2023	3,064

Deaths:

Mr. Bob Stine, April 3, 2023
 Mr. Vincent Hughes, April 7, 2023
 Ms. Lucile Jung, April 28, 2023

Births:

Anne Holland Godwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben and Libby Godwin, April 2, 2023

Child Baptisms:

Fordham Michael Justice, son of Mr. and Mrs. James and Emily Justice, April 2, 2023

Eliza Banks Lundstrom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan and Emily Lundstrom, April 2, 2023

Patrick Mark Cleeveley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter and Leigh Cleeveley, April 23, 2023

Kenneth "Ace" Wallace Brooke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth and Lauren Brooke, April 23, 2023

Tyler Ernest Swanson, son of Mr. and Mrs. John David and Caroline Swanson, April 30, 2023

Ford Hunter Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hunter and Aubrie Smith, April 30, 2023

CONSENT AGENDA

MEMBERSHIP

1-1 Transfers into Congregation:

March

Ms. Ava Ariko, Profession of Faith

Mr. Griffin Barnes, Profession of Faith

Mr. Reese Brackins, Profession of Faith

Mr. Barrett Dant, Profession of Faith

Ms. Emerson DeMarco, Profession of Faith and Baptism

Mr. Logan Frisch, Profession of Faith

Mr. Isaac Gibson, Profession of Faith

Mr. Lachlan Hammonds, Profession of Faith and Baptism

Ms. Kendall Hanna, Profession of Faith

Ms. Peyton Hanna, Profession of Faith

Mr. Hugh Harris, Profession of Faith

Mr. Palmer Harris, Profession of Faith

Ms. Mackenzie Johnson, Profession of Faith

Ms. Charlotte Kelley, Profession of Faith and Baptism

Mr. Logan Lindblad, Profession of Faith

Ms. Lofton McKinney, Profession of Faith

Mr. Graham McMullan, Profession of Faith

Ms. Olivia Morejon, Profession of Faith and Baptism

Mr. Mateo Riveros, Profession of Faith

Mr. Jackson Spence, Profession of Faith and Baptism

Mr. Colt Tribble, Profession of Faith

Mr. David Vance, Profession of Faith

Mr. Will Witter, Profession of Faith

Mr. Griffin Wright, Profession of Faith

Mr. Daniel Delgado, Profession of Faith

Mr. Brooks DeMarco, Profession of Faith and Baptism

Ms. Hadley Dixon, Profession of Faith

Ms. Lillie Kate Dixon, Profession of Faith

Ms. Natalie Gibson, Profession of Faith

Mr. Campbell Johnson, Profession of Faith

Ms. Elle Pullum, Profession of Faith

Mr. Tag Tribble, Profession of Faith

Mr. Elliot Van Dyke, Profession of Faith and Baptism

Mr. Will Wright, Profession of Faith

April

Mr. and Mrs. Kevin and Margie Holt, Transfer of Letter, Englewood United Methodist Church, Rocky Mount, NC

Mr. and Mrs. Charles and Kim Bell, Transfer of Letter, New City Orlando

Mr. and Mrs. Tim and Lisa Eder, Transfer of Letter, Severna Park Presbyterian Church, Severna Park, MD

Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne and Linda Hoffman, Transfer of Letter, St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

Mr. and Mrs. Eric and Taylor Mutz, Transfer of Letter, Summit Church

Mrs. Patty O'Gorman, Transfer of Letter, Audubon Park Covenant Church

Mr. and Mrs. Doug and Debbie Meiser, Transfer of Letter, Cornerstone Presbyterian Church, Leawood, KS

Ms. Kelly Miller, Reaffirmation of Faith

Mr. and Mrs. Perry and Lindsay Mason, Reaffirmation of Faith

Ms. Samantha DeLullo, Profession of Faith

Mr. and Mrs. Scott and Gwen Popaditch, Reaffirmation and Profession of Faith

Mr. Jackson Elling, Reaffirmation of Faith

Mr. and Mrs. Phil and Meredith Shaw, Reaffirmation of Faith

Mr. and Mrs. Brendan and Tilley Robert, Reaffirmation of Faith and Transfer of Letter, First Baptist Church of Orlando

Mr. and Mrs. Travis and Stephanie Van Dyke, Transfer of Letter, First Baptist Church of Orlando

Mr. and Mrs. Doug and Sally Shaw, Reaffirmation of Faith

1-2 Restore to the Roll:

Mr. John Speer

1-3 Remove from the Roll:

Ms. Lucinda Sloan, Transfer of Letter, Presbyterian Church of the Cross, Omaha, NE

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA - M/S/P

MINISTER REPORT

- Initial concepts for indoor fellowship space
- Plans for Wednesday's fall series – Scripture, Gender, Sexuality, and the Church
 - September 13, 2023 through November 1, 2023
- Planting discussion/St. Stephen
 - Not currently staffed to plant a West Orlando campus
 - St. Stephen church in east Orlando is interested in entering into the EPC, and if they move forward with this would like FPCO's help. In around 30 days FPCO staff to bring a proposal of how FPCO can work together with them.

WORK GROUP REPORTS

The Collaborative

INFORMATION: Reference was given to the FPCO/The Collaborative Realignment Proposal that was discussed in the March 28, 2023 Session meeting.

MOTION: To adopt the FPCO/The Collaborative Realignment Proposal as the guiding document for the initiation of The Collaborative, to be recognized as an independent charitable corporation, under the leadership of Dr. Case Thorp. – M/P

MOTION: To appoint ruling elder and attorney Michael Kelley, in conjunction with FPCO COO Charles Bell, with the following duties:

- a) To serve as the legal representative of FPCO in incorporating The Collaborative, Inc. as a public charitable corporation, pursuant to the requirements of the Florida Secretary of State.
- b) To draft and execute an Assignment Agreement delineating the transfer of intellectual property and physical assets from FPCO, Inc. to the newly incorporated The Collaborative, Inc.

– M/P

MOTION: To authorize the allocation of the remaining balance (estimated \$5,000) in FPCO's 'The Collaborative Fund' to cover incidental legal fees associated with this process and to apply the \$12,000 grant from the Miller Foundation for the Nuance Podcast. The motion further stipulates that any remaining funds shall be retained by FPCO for the purpose of providing scholarships to future Gotham Fellowship applicants. – M/P

Equipping – Report from Pastor for Adult Discipleship and Mission, Tanner Fox on the Discipleship Strategy “BELONGING Part 3 – How can we implement?”

COMMITTEE REPORTS

OPERATIONS

MOTION: To approve the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Operating Budget. – M/S/P

INFORMATION: 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Operating Budget. The Support Committee has approved at the committee level and recommends moving forward with this plan. Highlights include:

- a) Offering Revenue of \$7.4M
- b) Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) of 3% for staff compensation
- c) Medical benefits increase of 7.5% in line with the prior two years
- d) Attached summary to May 23, 2023 Session Packet

MOTION: To approve the remaining Mission Fiscal Y/E Spend of \$92K. – M/S/P

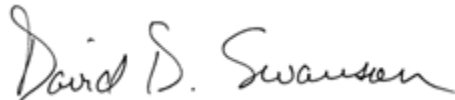
Support has reviewed the distribution plan submitted by the Missions Team and

has approved it at the committee level.

Pastor Appreciation Sunday Discussion & Motion – Ruling Elders Lance Fair & Lisa Schultz

MOTION: To approve the designation of October 1, 2023, as Pastor Appreciation Sunday at First Presbyterian Church Orlando, with included activities of a recognition statement during the worship services on that day and a reception in the fellowship hall. Furthermore, this motion includes the establishment of a committee composed of three ruling elders, in collaboration with church staff and three additional covenant partners, to plan and execute the day's events. – M/S/P

CLOSING PRAYER AND ADJOURNMENT



David Swanson
Moderator



Sam Spears
Clerk