

SILVER SPRING PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Session Meeting Minutes April 24, 2025

1. Rev. Lisa Chase opened the meeting with Scripture, Prayer & Lighting of the Christ candle at 7:03pm.
2. ATTENDANCE VIA ZOOM AND IN PERSON: Rev. Chase (Moderator), Jim Anderson, Kris Carpinello, Bob Davis, Alan Flenner, Ellen Frey, Gary Hollinger, Bethany Kavulich, Gary Karkuff, BJ Lopez, Diane Lupia, Cheryl Moore, Susan Neville, Scott Pepperman, Carol Service, Bill Vipperman, and Fred Voigt.
3. EXCUSED: Rev. Dr. Don Wahlig, Forrest Adams, Clint Coldren, Drew Crompton, Bill Resser, Fred Shatto, John Carroll (Clerk), and Lilly Taylor (Youth Representative).
4. APPOINTMENT OF CLERK AND SECRETARY-

Motion: Upon a Gary Karkuff motion, seconded by Fred Voigt, Gary Hollinger was approved to serve as Clerk Pro Tem and James Anderson was approved to serve as Secretary Pro Tem for this meeting.

5. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT – Rev. Chase led a reflection on the SSPC Mission, Vision and Values.

6. APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED AGENDA

Christian Education was removed from the Consent Agenda.

Motion: Upon a Scott Pepperman motion, seconded by Susan Neville, all items on the Consent Agenda, marked with a [C] were approved.

7. CLERK'S REPORT

Approval of Minutes: [C] Session Meeting, March 27, 2025

[C] Average Sunday Worship attendance for February and March 2025:

	IN PERSON		YOU TUBE		
	Traditional	Gathering	Traditional	Gathering	TOTAL
Feb. 2	122	36	90	36	284
Feb. 9	68	33	182	44	327
Feb. 16	79	53	124	54	310
Feb. 23	107	53	75	50	285
Total	376	175	471	184	1206
		Avg. Week	# Services		
	Traditional	94	4		
	Gathering	44	4		
	Trad.YouTube	118	4		
	Gath.YouTube	46	4		

	IN PERSON		YOU TUBE		
	Traditional	Gathering	Traditional	Gathering	TOTAL
Mar. 2	115	46	78	44	283
Mar. 9	100	50	94	29	273
Mar. 16	87	55	87	23	252
Mar. 23	120	59	92	30	301
Mar. 30	114	58	72	55	299
Total	536	268	423	181	1408
		Avg. Week	# Services		
	Traditional	107	5		
	Gathering	54	5		
	Trad.YouTube	85	5		
	Gath.YouTube	36	5		

[C] Home Communion:

[C] Baptisms conducted: Deb Pfaff was baptized on March 30, 2025

[C] Wedding requested

[C] Deaths: Scott DeHart died April 1, 2025

8. YOUTH SESSION REPORT – Scott Pepperman provided the Youth Session report on behalf of Lilly Taylor.

9. PRECHOOL REPORT - received

10. MINISTRY OF MONEY

- a. Financial Report-March 2025 report received and update provided by Gary Karkuff.

b. Finance Committee Minutes – 4/15/25 minutes received.

c. Financial Update-

YTD Revenue - \$329,690.75 YTD Expenses - \$228,210.87 Net - \$101,479.88

11. PRESBYTERY MEETINGS:

- a. Wednesday, April 30, 2025: Evening Hybrid Meeting – Faith Immanuel Presbyterian Church. Scott Pepperman, Gary Hollinger and Betsy Neilson will attend.
- b. Saturday, September 13 – Morning Hybrid – First Presbyterian Church in Carlisle
- c. Wednesday, November 19 – Evening Hybrid – Harrisburg Korean Presbyterian Church

12. DEACONS REPORT – The 4/3/25 meeting minutes were received and Rev. Chase provided an update regarding the plan for Care Communities at SSPC.

13. TEAM REPORTS

Personnel- 4/14/25 Minutes received. Currently there is one candidate for the Youth Director position.

Christian Education - Young Adults Group (Pathfinders) – 3/23/25 minutes received. Scott Pepperman provided an update and called particular attention to the upcoming Adult Forum on June 1st that will feature the Earth Care Team and Rev. Kevin Long of The Intertwined Ministry of Harrisburg.

[C] Buildings & Grounds – 4/3/25 minutes received.

[C] Commitment, Legacy and Endowment – 4/9/25 minutes received.

[C] Fellowship – No report or Minutes.

[C] I.T. – No report or Minutes.

[C] Membership – 3/17/25 minutes received.

[C] Mission – 4/10/25 minutes received.

[C] Nominating – No report or Minutes.

Worship – 4/10/25 minutes received.

MOTION: Upon Motion of the Worship Committee, approval was granted for the loose cash plate offering and checks designated for Worship received on May 11, 2025 to go to the Worship Income Account.

14. OLD BUSINESS - Update on proposed revisions to the SSPC Child Protection Policy - No action pending advice from the Presbytery.

15. NEW BUSINESS – Each Committee is to present revisions to their respective committee's section in the Leadership Handbook at the May 22, 2025 Session Meeting.

16. OTHER

- a. [C] Report of the Senior Pastor/Head of Staff
- b. [C] Report of the Associate Pastor

17. ASSIGNMENTS: Carol Service will attend the 7:00p.m. Deacons meeting at on May 5, 2025.

18. CLOSING PRAYER/ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Rev. Chase adjourned the meeting with prayer at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully Recorded,



James Anderson
Secretary Pro Tem