

# SILVER SPRING PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## Session Minutes

April 27, 2023 Room 204, 6:20 pm

1. Open with Scripture, Prayer and Lighting of the Christ candle by Rev. Wahlig.
2. **Session Members Present:** Rev. Wahlig, Rev. Chase, Ellen Frey, Jerry Schnell, Nick Pierce, Carol Bogar, Emily Krebs, Diane Lupia, Gary Karkuff, John Ake, Scott Pepperman, Lydia Fehr, Fred Shatto.
3. **Members Excused:** Mark McGaffin, Gary Hollinger, John Shoop, Bethany Kavulich, Drew Crompton, Kris Carpinello, Susan Neville, Bill Vipperman, Forrest Adams, Bill Resser, and Kathryn Resser
4. **Staff Present:** Rev. Don Wahlig and Rev. Lisa Chase
5. **Deacon Representative:** Charles Dagino
6. **Meeting with Confirmands:** Session met with and examined the following candidates for confirmation – Lilliana Taylor, Maxwell Miller, Braydon Pierce and Matthew Ringquist. Motion to receive the confirmands into membership made by Elder Pepperman, seconded by Elder Karkuff and approved by the Session. Confirmands to be recognized by the congregation in the 9:00 am worship service on Sunday, May 7. Thanks and appreciation for the work done by Rev. Chase and Elder Lupia in shepherding the class.
7. **Approval of the Proposed/Consent Agenda [C]**

**Motion:** Elder Pepperman moved to Adopt the Consent Agenda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elder Karkuff. **Motion carried.**

### 8. CLERK'S REPORT

Approval of Minutes: [C] Session Meeting, 3/23/23; [C] Administrative Commission of Session, 3/27/23  
[C] Average Sunday Worship attendance for February and March 2023:

	IN PERSON		YOU TUBE		TOTAL
	Traditional	Gathering	Traditional	Gathering	
5-Feb	105	47	108	35	295
12-Feb	109	52	121	40	322
19-Feb	111	47	91	31	280
26-Feb	116	43	122	30	311
Total	441	189	442	136	1208
	Avg. Week		# Services		
Traditional	110		4		
Gathering	47		4		
Trad.YouTube	111		4		
Gath.YouTube	34		4		

	IN PERSON		YOU TUBE		TOTAL
	Traditional	Gathering	Traditional	Gathering	
Mar. 5	112	55	88	41	296
Mar. 12	92	45	122	40	299
Mar. 19	102	62	111	34	309
Mar. 26	137	56	111	40	344
Total	443	218	432	155	1248
	Avg. Week		# Services		
Traditional	111		4		
Gathering	55		4		
Trad.YouTube	108		4		
Gath.YouTube	39		4		

Home Communion: none

[C] Baptisms conducted: Cooper Crowell, son of Amanda and Robert Crowell, 3/26/23

Wedding conducted:

[C] Deaths:

[C] Membership: New Members on March 27, 2023: Glen (Ed) and Janet (Jan) Maurer, Bob Buyers, John Crompton; Shirley Conrad requests to be reinstated as an active member.

### 9. PRESCHOOL REPORT – see attached report

10. MINISTRY OF MONEY

- a. Financial Report – see attached March 2023 financial report
- b. Finance Minutes – 4/17/23 minutes attached

11. PRESBYTERY MEETINGS:

- a. Report on April 18, 2023 meeting
- b. Other 2023 Meetings: May 2, Sept. 23, Dec. 5. Elders Jerry Schnell and Scott Pepperman were designated to attend the May 2 meeting at Monaghan Presbyterian

12. DEACONS REPORT – 4/3/23 minutes attached

13. TEAM REPORTS

Personnel –

**MOTION:** The Personnel Committee has reviewed and accepted the two new job descriptions for Assistants to the Preschool Director and subsequent changes to the Director's job description. **The Personnel Committee proposed that Session approve the job descriptions for Preschool Office Assistant and Preschool Business Assistant; and revisions to the job for the Preschool Director.** The motion from the Committee was approved unanimously.

The attached **Preschool Motions** document containing (4) motions for the 2023-2024 school year: salary, tuition, budget, calendar, were approved by Session unanimously. (see attachments)

[C] Buildings & Grounds – 4/4/23 minutes attached

[C] Christian Education – 4/10/23 notes attached

[C] Earth Care Team

[C] Commitment, Legacy and Endowment – 3/29/23 minutes attached

[C] Fellowship

[C] I.T.

[C] Membership

[C] Mission – 4/13/23 minutes attached

[C] Nominating – 4/4/23 minutes attached

Worship – 4/20/23 minutes attached

**MOTION:** The Worship Committee moves to authorize Scott Pepperman to assist or conduct Communion for Silver Spring Presbyterian Church, in both the Traditional and the Gathering Service. This would include distributing Communion to both homebound members and those in the hospital. Motion was approved by Session unanimously.

14. OLD BUSINESS: Christian Churches United's Spring Assembly at SSPC on Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. Elders Frey, Krebs and Pepperman agreed to work with the caterer and CCU staff to coordinate the event.

15. NEW BUSINESS: Call for Special Meeting of the Congregation to Elect Officers – Session approved meeting date for May 21 following 11:00 outdoor worship service.

- Nominating Committee recommended the following individuals to serve as the Auditing Committee: Lin Pomeroy, Pam Murray, and Debi Wiest.

16. OTHER: [C] Report of the Pastor [C] Report of the Associate Pastor

17. ASSIGNMENTS Attending the 7:00 pm Deacon meeting, –May 1, 2023: Scott Pepperman

18. CLOSING PRAYER/ADJOURNMENT; Meeting adjourned with prayer offered by Rev. Wahlig at 8:10.

Respectfully Submitted:



John W. Carroll, Clerk of Session