

SILVER SPRING PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Session Meeting Minutes

June 30, 2022 via Zoom starting at 7:00 pm.

1. Open with Scripture and Prayer offered by Rev. Wahlig
2. Attendance: Rev. Don Wahlig, Rev. Lisa Chase, Gary Hollinger, Scott Pepperman, Jerry Schnell, Mark McGaffin, Pat Ferris, Kathryn Ressler, Emily Krebs, Carol Bogar, Lucy Vaughan, Maryan McCormick, Chris Kavulich, Kris Carpinello, Ellen Frey, Bill Resser, Laura Shoop, Bill Vipperman, Lydia Fehr, and Jim Smith.
Also attending: Susan Neville, Drew Compton, Betheny Kavulich, Forrest Adams, Diane Lupia, John Carroll (Clerk of Session) and Carol Service (Deacon representative)
Excused: Gary Karkuff, Susan Bruner, Nick Pierce, and John Ake.

3. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

4. APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED AGENDA (This approval includes all agenda items on the Consent Agenda, marked with a [C]. All items on the Consent Agenda are approved and/or received with this motion).

5. CLERK'S REPORT

Approval of Minutes: [C] Session Meeting, May 26, 2022;

[C] Average Sunday Worship attendance for April 2022 and May 2022:

	IN PERSON		YOU TUBE	
	Traditional	Gathering	YouTube	TOTAL
Apr 3	84	24	114	222
Apr 10	107	42	120	269
Apr 17	192	45	148	385
Apr 24	70	42	141	253
Total	453	153	523	1129
		Avg. Week	# Services	
	Traditional	113	4	
	Gathering	38	4	
	YouTube	131	4	

	IN PERSON		YOU TUBE		
	Traditional	Gathering	Traditional	Gathering	TOTAL
1-May	99	45	112		256
8-May	91	41	146		278
15-May	86	45	96	87	227
22-May	109		145		254
29-May	87	30	109	52	226
Total	472	161	608	139	1241
		Avg. Week	# Services		
	Traditional	94	5		
	Gathering	40	4		
	Trad.YouTube	122	5		
	Gath.YouTube	70	2		

Home Communion: none

[C] Baptisms conducted

[C] Weddings conducted/requested

[C] Deaths: Donald R. Newell (Lydia Fehr's uncle) buried in SSPC cemetery 6/18/22.

[C] Membership

6. PRESCHOOL REPORT - see attached report

7. MINISTRY OF MONEY

- a. Financial Report – see attached May 2022 financial report
- b. Finance Minutes – 6/28/22 minutes attached
- c. Revenue on and through May - (\$ 65,230.14) and YTD (\$402,780.62)
Expenses on and through May- (\$ 86,904.02) and YTD (\$328,507.92)
Net on May 31, 2022-- (\$ -21,673.88) and YTD (\$ 74,272.70)

8. PRESBYTERY MEETINGS: September 24, 2022 and December 6, 2022

9. DEACONS REPORT – 6/6/22 minutes attached

10. TEAM REPORTS

Personnel –

Elder Krebs moved and Elder Resser seconded a motion to accept the edited Personnel section of the Leadership Handbook as submitted to Session for review in May. Motion was approved.

Committee motion approved by Session to raise the compensation of the part-time custodian to \$15.00 per hour effective July 1, 2022.

11. Committee motion to add Juneteenth to the list of holiday church closings was approved by vote of Session with Scott Pepperman requesting to be recorded as voting “no” on the motion.

12. Elder Krebs moved and Elder Jim Smith seconded a motion to accept the revised SSPC Employee Handbook as submitted to Session for review in May with the addition of the Juneteenth holiday. Motion was approved.

[C] Buildings & Grounds – 6/2/22 minutes attached

Christian Education – 5/10/22 minutes attached

Approval to implement “SSPC Discount cards” and draft of the discount card was discussed and Scott Pepperman was asked to confer with Finance and CLE committees and Session agreed to vote on CE motion to approve the fundraiser by e-mail after such consultation so that the program can be implemented before August Session meeting if approved.

[C] Earth Care Team – 5/23/22 minutes attached

Commitment, Legacy and Endowment – Bill Vipperman and Bill Resser reported on the successful annual meeting of those church members who participated in the 1734 Society.

[C] Fellowship – 6/5/22 minutes attached

[C] I.T. – 6/27/22 minutes attached

[C] Membership

[C] Mission – 6/9/22 minutes attached

[C] Nominating

Worship – 6/9/22 minutes attached

Approval for use of the Meeting House – see attached Facilities Use application

MOTION: The Worship Committee moved that the Three-fold Cord Women’s Choir be permitted to hold a concert in the Meeting House on Saturday, October 29 at 7:00 pm with a rehearsal to be held earlier that same day in the Choir room and the Meeting house, and a dinner for the participants in the gym with food being brought in. The Committee further moved that the \$200 fee for facility usage be waived and a \$100 fee be applied for custodial services required following the concert. Both motions were approved by Session.

13. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Pastoral Prayer Process – see attached memo from Rev. Lisa Chase. Rev. Chase will meet or speak with church officers who will be making contact with church members
- b. Church name badges – Scott Pepperman volunteered to solicit members wishing to purchase more legible name tags (large first name format)

14. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Schedule Congregational Meeting – Session voted to schedule a meeting of the Congregation on July 10, following the 9:00 worship service in the Meeting House for

the purpose of electing Forrest Adams as Elder (and co-chair of the Personnel Committee).

- b. IT Task Force was discussed and it was decided to continue to recruit a new elder to assume co-leadership of the IT Committee.

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

16. ASSIGNMENTS Attending the 7:00 pm Deacon meeting (next meeting – 8/1/22):

17. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

18. CLOSING PRAYER/ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was closed with prayer offered by Rev. Wahlig at 9:25 pm.

Respectfully recorded:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Carroll". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

John Carroll, Clerk of Session