

SILVER SPRING PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Session Minutes September 22, 2022

7:00 pm via ZOOM

1. Open with Scripture, Prayer and Lighting of the Christ candle
2. Attendance: Rev. Don Wahlig, Rev. Lisa Chase, Scott Pepperman, Jerry Schnell, Kathryn Ressler, Emily Krebs, Kris Carpinello, Bill Resser, Bill Vipperman, Lydia Fehr, Gary Karkuff, Diane Lupia, Carol Bogar, Ellen Frey, Nick Pierce, Forrest Adams, Drew Crompton, Fred Shatto, Bethany Kavulich, and Susan Neville.
Also attending: John Carroll (Clerk of Session) and Linda Adams (Deacon representative)
Excused: Gary Hollinger, Mark McGaffin, John Ake
3. 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).

4. CLERK'S REPORT

Approval of Minutes: [C] Session Meeting, August 25, 2022

[C] Average Sunday Worship attendance for July and August 2022:

	IN PERSON		YOU TUBE		TOTAL
	Traditional	Gathering	Traditional	Gathering	
3-Jul	86	44	116	37	283
10-Jul	93	50	112	27	282
17-Jul	74	33	152	26	285
24-Jul	81	30	104	27	242
31-Jul	68	38	148	47	301
Total	402	195	632	164	1393
	Avg. Week		# Services		
	Traditional	80	5		
	Gathering	39	5		
	Trad.YouTube	126	5		
	Gath.YouTube	33	5		

	IN PERSON		YOU TUBE		TOTAL
	Traditional	Gathering	Traditional	Gathering	
Aug. 7	92	40	106	23	261
Aug. 14	99	40	116	25	280
Aug. 21	101		146		247
Aug. 28	83	48	118	44	293
Total	375	128	486	92	1081
	Avg. Week		# Services		
	Traditional	94	4		
	Gathering	43	3		
	Trad.YouTube	122	4		
	Gath.YouTube	31	3		

Home Communion: none

[C] Baptisms requested: Claudia Marie and Jack Michael Alba, children of Jillian and Jeff Alba, 11/6/22

[C] Wedding requested: Mary "Miller" Firestone (baptized at SSPC as an infant) and James Baker, May 2024

[C] Deaths: Funeral for Kolene Spicher, 8/26/22; Ron Nisson died 9/13/22, service on 9/16/22

[C] Membership

5. PRESCHOOL REPORT – see attached report

6. MINISTRY OF MONEY

- a. Financial Report – see attached August 2022 financial report
- b. Revenue through August- MTD (\$ 44,321.14) and YTD (\$574,524.61)
Expenses through August- MTD (\$ 85,052.30) and YTD (\$594,227.57)
Net on August 31, 2022-- MTD (\$ -40,730.85) and YTD (\$ -19,702.56)

c. Finance Minutes – 9/13/22 minutes attached

Motion: The Finance Committee moves and Bill Resser seconded that the excess funds from the 2021-2022 Preschool year in the amount of \$11,726.70 be moved to the SSPC Emergency Reserve Fund if agreeable to the Preschool Director.

7. PRESBYTERY MEETINGS:

- a. September 24, 2022: Commissioners are Bethany Kavulich, Bill Resser and Scott Pepperman
- b. December 6, 2022

8. DEACONS REPORT – 9/12/22 minutes attached. Linda Adams highlighted the Giving Tree ministry by reporting that there are 140 names on the Christmas Tree.

9. TEAM REPORTS

Personnel – **Motion: The Personnel Committee moves to retain for next year, 2023, the same benefits package offerings from the PC(USA) Board of Pension as was offered to our full time and part-time staff in 2022. Motion approved.**

[C] Buildings & Grounds – 9/1/22 minutes attached

[C] Christian Education – 9/14/22 minutes attached

[C] Earth Care Team

Commitment, Legacy and Endowment

[C] Fellowship – 9/18/22 minutes attached. Ellen Fry raised a question regarding the cost of funeral service support, especially paper goods.

[C] I.T.

[C] Membership- 8/15/22 minutes attached

Mission – 9/8/22 minutes attached. **Motion: The Mission Committee moved that SSPC support the application by the Beacon Hill ministry to the Presbytery for a mission grant in the amount of \$5000. Motion approved.**

[C] Nominating

[C] Worship

10. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Pastoral Contact Process - Rev. Chase expressed thanks for Session callers.
- b. Church name badges - Scott Pepperman reported that 25-30 badges requested so far.

11. NEW BUSINESS

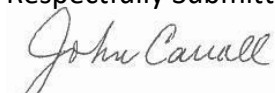
OTHER: [C] Report of the Pastor; Report of the Associate Pastor. Rev. Chase expressed appreciation for participation of elders in the fellowship times on Sunday mornings after worship services.

12. ASSIGNMENTS Attending the 7:00 pm Deacon meeting: Forrest Adams (next meeting – 10/3/22)

13. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

14. CLOSING PRAYER/ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully Submitted:



John Carroll, Clerk of Session