

Stated Session Meeting, First Presbyterian Church, Post Texas, November 8, 2009

The meeting was opened with prayer and called to order at 11:40 a.m. by Moderator Jerry Koch. Present were: Victor Ashley, Rex Cash, Neal Francis, Kim Mills-Oller. Excused were Charles Adams and Joanne Travis. Items for Discussion:

1. Christmas. It was recommended and agreed that our Christmas Candlelight service be held at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 20. We will also have a chili supper and sanctuary decorating party after worship on Sunday, December 6.
2. New member reception. Sunday worship on November 15 will include the liturgy for reception of new members. We will also have a catered lunch following the service. The Session (re)-affirmed for membership in our congregation the following individuals who have expressed their intent to join and have had letters of transfer sent and/or requested (dating to some time back in a few cases). Neal and Jenny Francis, Ashley Francis, Beverly Francis, Robbie Francis, Courtney Fontenot, Marie Neff, Mike Travis, Kyle Abraham, and children Elliot and Katherine.
3. Windows. Victor Ashley presented a detailed estimate for the repair, sealing, and covering of all our stained glass windows. This project involves extensive construction. The total cost is estimated to be \$27,000 and will take as long as two months to complete. Options for funding the project were discussed. It was decided unanimously that we proceed with the project and fund it initially with existing investments. It was further decided that a fund-raising letter would be sent, both via email and USPS, indicating the need, and offering the opportunity for participation in defraying the cost. Should it become necessary to hold worship outside the sanctuary, we will contact our partners at FCC to arrange joint worship on Sundays as needed.
4. Victor also relayed a request he received from a Post resident that the Session consider selling the lot adjacent to the building for residential construction. There was no support for this idea from anyone in attendance and Victor was asked to politely convey our declining the offer.
5. Victor then presented the Session with title documents found at (the now) Wells Fargo Bank relating to FPC-Post's name on land-ownership in Southland. No one knows when or why this might have become the case. Kim Mills-Oller agreed to investigate.
6. Clerk. Rex Cash's term as Clerk of Session has been completed, and the Session expressed its gratitude for his long tenure. With Rex being willing to relinquish this office, Victor Ashley was nominated and elected by acclamation to be the new Clerk of Session. Congratulations and thanks were exchanged all around.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m. Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Koch, Moderator.