First Presbyterian Church of Orlando

Stated Session Meeting

January 24, 2017, Room 320, Sterchi Conference Room, EMC

The January stated Session meeting was convened at 6:20 PM in the King Parlor for a time of devotion and prayer led by the Moderator TE Case Thorp. At 7:00 PM the Session meeting reconvened in Room 320, EMC.

In attendance: RE: Joe Amos, Steve Cahill, Barbara Clayton, Doug Doudney, Tom Eastwood, Lance Fair, Barbara Francis, Thomas Hewitt, Quino Martinez, Chris Morgan, Ken Uncapher, Dyann Vandam, Trey Vick, TE: Becky Davis, Case Thorp

Excused: RE: Kevin Burkett, Darrell Carpenter, Jr., Jeff Dilley, Billy Palmer, TE: Jack Peebles, David Swanson

Others present: Bret Allen, RE Ann Ellis, RE Murray Garbrick, Kim Kemper, Susie Kemper, Dan Sharp, Brad Staton, Dale van Gelder, Grace Whitlow

**M/S/P approval of the November 15, 2016, stated Session meeting minutes as circulated.**

**M/S/P approval of the docket with addition of a motion to Session from the Generosity Ministry Team.**

Consent Agenda

Worship

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| 1 – 1 | To approve Ann Ellis filling Freddie Langston’s unexpired term on the Worship Team. |
| 1 – 2 | To retroactively approve cancelling communion on January 8, 2017 due to the ordination and installation of church officers. |
| 1 – 3 | To approve moving communion back to May 7, 2017 (instead of May 14th) due to confirmation being moved to May 14, 2017. |

Support

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| 2 – 1 | To approve Bill Fluke as a lay committee member for Support. |

Membership

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| 3 – 1 | Restore to the roll: |
|  | Mr. John Rutledge, II  Mrs. Julie Rutledge |
| 3 – 2 | Removed from the roll: |
|  | Mrs. Rachael A. Aldrich  Mrs. Kendall Y. Handler  Ms. Mary K. Mathis |

Evangelism

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| 4 – 1 | New members received in December 2016: |
|  | John Andre – Transfer of Letter  Christopher Barnes – Reaffirmation of Faith  Melissa Barnes – Reaffirmation of Faith  Chris Danielski – Transfer of Letter  Samantha Danielski – Transfer of Letter  Stephen Denny – Reaffirmation of Faith  Tiffany Denny – Reaffirmation of Faith  Brandy Nicks – Reaffirmation of Faith  Mark Nicks – Reaffirmation of Faith |
| 4 – 2 | New members received in January 2017: |
|  | Veronica Beauregard – Transfer of Letter  Thom Cunningham – Transfer of Letter  Jenny Cunningham – Transfer of Letter  Robert Campbell – Reaffirmation of Faith  Mary Ellen Ludeking – Transfer of Letter  William Ludeking – Transfer of Letter  Lauren Reeves – Transfer of Letter  Samuel Adams (Adam) Reeves – Transfer of Letter  John Schmidt – Transfer of Letter  Lisa Schmidt – Transfer of Letter  Curtis Smith – Transfer of Letter  Denise Smith – Transfer of Letter |

**M/S/P approval of the consent agenda.**

Statistical report for November

Membership as of October 31, 2016 3,606

Transfers into the Congregation 0

Reaffirmation of Faith 0

Profession of Faith 0

Profession of Faith & Baptism 0

Restored to the Roll 2

Total 2

Transfers from the Congregation 2

Deaths 4

Removed from the roll 2 Placed on the inactive roll 0

Total 8

Membership as of November 31, 2016 3,600

Dismissed:

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jay (Marilyn P.)Sunderlin dismissed to Westminister Presbyterian Church, Spartanburg, South Carolina

Deaths:

Mr. Joseph “Joe” S. Guernsey died 11/1/16

Mr. Donald L. Barnhart died 11/22/16

Mr. Bert Chole died 11/26/16

Mr. Delaney D. “De” Way died 11/29/16

Restore to the roll (Session Meeting 11/15/16)

Mr. Anthony Fiorillo

Mrs. Dawn Fiorillo

Removed from the roll (Session Meeting 11/15/16)

Mr. Sean Donovan

Mrs. Jessica Donovan

Inactive members that after having received no response have been removed from the roll and these members will not affect the membership count:

Marriages:

Daniel Joseph Gamache, Jr. and Laura Elizabeth Guglielmi were married 11/19/16 in the sanctuary

August Perrotti and Sabrina Lawrence were married 11/19/16 at The Lakeshore Center in Ocoee, Florida

Joshua Palma and Chelsea Cohen Were Married 11/22/16 at the Ritz Carlton in Orlando, Florida

Births:

Mr. and Mrs. Cearan (Erin) Caffrey have twin daughters, Adeline Mae Caffrey and Olivia Laine Caffrey, born 8/26/16

Child Baptisms:

Finley Marie Reinert on 10/30/16

Scout Mclaurin Reinert on 10/30/16

Greer Elizabeth “Honey” Eisele on 11/13/16

Catherine Jane “Cate” Hueber on 11/13/16

Claire Rebecca Hueber on 11/13/16

Parker Ellen Cleeveley on 11/20/16

Colton Michael Maudlin on 11/27/16

Marie Liliana Rivera on 11/27/16

Hudson Grace Banks on 11/27/16

Statistical Report for December

Membership as of November 30, 2016 3,600

Transfers into the Congregation 0

Reaffirmation of Faith 0

Profession of Faith 0

Profession of Faith & Baptism 0

Restored to the Roll 0

Total 0

Transfers from the congregation 0

Deaths 7

Removed from the roll 0

Placed on the inactive roll 0

Total 7

Membership as of December 31, 2016 3,593

No Session meeting in December

Deaths:

Mrs. Margaret B. Dawson died 10/7/12

Mr. Charles Dalton Briggs died 9/23/14

Mr. Charles Stepter died 11/29/16

Miss May Porter died 12/1/16

Mr. Charles F. Summer died 12/12/16

Ms Karen L. Hamlet died 12/17/16

Mrs. Peggy Briggs died 12/17 /16

Inactive members that after having received no response have been removed from the roll and these members will not affect the membership count:

Mr. Douglas Ashley

Marriages:

Conor Mccall Deering and Victoria Leigh Mason were married 12/17/16 in the Reformation Chapel

Births:

Mr. and Mrs. Caleb (Lauren) Lawson have twin sons, Ashe Wood Lawson and Ames Carlton Lawson, born 11/23/16

Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel “Gabe” (Rachel) De Guia have a son, Luke Gabriel De Guia, born 12/16/16

Child Baptisms:

Michael Blackshire Kelley on 12/4/16

Samuel “Sam” Hargrove Peacock on 12/4/16 (By Immersion)

Morgan Elizabeth Davis on 12/18/16

Kim and Susie Kemper were not able to share their personal experiences of the saving grace of God in Jesus Christ and progress in spiritual growth at the November Session meeting due to illness. Having completed the course of instruction in Church government, the Sacraments, the Faith of the Church, the Worship of the Church, the Discipline of the Church, the History of the Church and understanding of the office of deacon with their fellow classmates they were ordained and installed with their classmates on January 8, 2017. They now gave their testimonies to the Session. After hearing their testimonies, prayer for Kim and Susie was offered by RE Barbara Francis.

During the 11:00 AM traditional worship service on Sunday January 8, 2017, the following ruling elders elect and deacons elect were ordained/installed: RE: Joe Amos, Tom Eastwood, Chris Morgan, Billy Palmer, Dyann Van Dam, Trey Vick, deacons: Erin Baker, Greg Burden, Jessica Burden, Shannon Compere, Nikki Ickes, Steve Judy, Kim Kemper, Susie Kemper, Dianne Macintire, Suzi Teel, Richard van Gelder.

Minister Report

RE Freddie Langston (Class of 2017) has submitted his letter of resignation as a member of Session. After discussion it was:

**M/S/P acceptance of the resignation of RE Freddie Langston.**

RE Ann Ellis has agreed to serve out Freddie Langston’s unexpired term if elected.

In the near future the Session will be asked to call a congregational meeting to: elect RE Ann Ellis to fulfill the unexpired term of RE Freddie Langston, to install RE Ann Ellis, to approve changes in the terms of call of the pastors, and to elect a Congregational Nominating Committee.

The February Session retreat was discussed.

Congregational Care

Nine students are currently undergoing Stephen Ministry training.

Generosity

After discussion it was:

**M/S/P approval of RE Lance Fair as chairperson of the Generosity Ministry Team.**

The Session meeting was recessed and the Board of Trustees meeting of the First Presbyterian Church of Orlando, Inc. was called to order at 7:45 PM for the purpose of electing officers of the Corporation. A quorum was present. The opening prayer of the Session meeting served as the opening prayer of the Board of Trustees meeting. RE Chris Morgan, chairperson of the Leadership Assignment Committee, offered the following persons for election: President, Steve Cahill, Vice President, Chris Morgan, Secretary, Jeff Dilley, and Treasurer, Ken Uncapher. There being no further nominations or discussion, it was:

**M/S/P election of Steve Cahill, President, Chris Morgan, Vice President, Jeff Dilley, Secretary, and Ken Uncapher, Treasurer.**

There being no further business, it was:

**M/S/P adjournment of the Board of Trustees meeting.**

The meeting of the Board of Trustees was adjourned at 7:53 PM, with the closing prayer of the Session meeting serving as the closing prayer of the Board of Trustees meeting.

Business of the Session was resumed.

Support

**M/S/P approval of the contract for the Pinnacle Retreat Center.**

There being no additional business before the Session it was:

**M/S/P approval for adjournment.**

Moderator Case Thorp closed the meeting with prayer at 8:20 PM.

RE Murray Garbrick, Clerk TE Case Thorp, Moderator