

Session Business
August 20, 2023

1. The Administration Committee advised Session that First Presbyterian Church received monies from the Employee Retention Credit for wages paid to employees during six quarters in 2020 and 2021. Session approved that some of these funds will be used: (a) to pay for the new speaker equipment and installation of same in the sanctuary; (b) to pay for the new oven and electrical work; and (c) to pay the Presbytery of New Covenant.
2. The Administration Committee advised Session that due to his unresolved health issues with chronic pain, Rev. Dr. David Green has made the decision to retire from his work as a parish pastor and to resign as the Pastor and Head of Staff of First Presbyterian Church, effective as of September 30, 2023. He will be mailing a letter to the congregation on Tuesday, August 22, to apprise them of his retirement and resignation. Session has called a Congregation Meeting on September 24, 2023, to honor his request and will host an event afterwards at 12:30 p.m. to celebrate our relationship with Dr. Green.
3. Rev. Greg Han will begin serving as a Temporary Pastor beginning September 10, 2023, through December 31, 2023. Rev. Callie Candee will continue carrying the Pastor's cell phone and performing Pastoral Care, where needed, through the end of the year.

Upcoming Events:

1. Next Session Meeting: September 17, 2023
2. Subsequent Session Meeting: October 15, 2023
3. Called Congregation Meeting: September 24, 2023
4. Remaining 2023 Presbytery Meeting: November 18, 2023

New Members: Confirmands Masen Stuntz, Sean Morton, Anthony Mben, David Mben, Juliet Phillip, Sophia Phillip, Dylan Folts, and Zachery Darbyshire; Peggy K. Ebanks by letter of transfer

Deaths: Fay Harrison on June 19, 2023; Jerry Ivan McNeil on June 20, 2023; Thomas Freeman Braaten, Sr., on July 4, 2023; Clyde Cruikshank on July 16, 2023, and Carolyn B. Hebert on July 31, 2023