Session Business September 21, 2025

- 1. Session received new member, Marcia Park, by reaffirmation of faith.
- 2. Haley Baughman, daughter of members, Chris and Karen Baughman, spoke to Session about her missionary work in Zanzibar, Africa. She will be returning to Zanzibar in January or February of 2026 for a two-year term and asked for a partnership with FPC along with prayers and monthly monetary donations to support her while she is there. After she left, Rev. Saathoff suggested Haley be invited to present a "Minute for Mission" and give individual members the opportunity to support her, which suggestion was approved by Session. He also suggested that perhaps she could give a presentation in the Family Life Center before she does the "Minute for Mission", so the congregation has a better idea of what she is doing in Zanzibar.
- 3. Session approved a request from Andrew Craig and Erika Staskevicius (non-members) to use FPC's sanctuary on May 1, 2026, for their rehearsal and on May 2, 2026, for their wedding. The rehearsal dinner and reception will be held at other venues.
- 4. The Clerk advised Session that the Presbytery Meeting on November 15, 2025, will take place at Faith Presbyterian Church in Baytown, TX. Since Ron Massey will not be able to attend as a Commissioner, Cheryl Nichols volunteered to be the third Commissioner for FPC. Debbie Morse and Pat Hudson are the other two Commissioners.
- 5. Session approved the recommendation of the Administration Committee to form a Strategic Planning Committee. Randy Blanton will be the Chair and Steve Scheffler will be one of its members.
- 6. Steve Scheffler, Chair of Membership, advised Session that the First Steps Class has been scheduled for Sunday, November 9, 2025, from 12:30-1:45 p.m. in the Family Life Center.
- 7. Session approved the July 2025-June 2026 Budget for PDS, which was based on 120 students and shows Operating Income of \$672,350.85 and Operating Expenses of \$612,028.75.
- 8. Session approved the PDS Guidelines, as revised. The revisions made were to comply with the current status of PDS and FPC, so they were minor. These revised guidelines will be included in FPC's Manual of Operations.
- 9. Catherine Scheffler, Chair of the 2025 Church Officer Nominating Committee, announced the following at-large members who will serve on the 2025 Officer

Nominating Committee – Shirley Dukes, Neva Hammonds, David Nichols, and Lynn Wisda.

10. Rev. Saathoff announced the following Memorial Services to be held at FPC – Vicki Wilson, Dena Sowden's sister, on Friday, September 26, 2025, at 11 a.m.; and Kyle Walker on Saturday, September 27, 2025, at 2 p.m.

Upcoming Events:

- **A.** Called Congregational Meeting: Sunday, September 28, 2025, during the 11 a.m. worship service.
- **B.** Next Session meeting: Sunday, October 12, 2025, at 12:30 p.m. in person, Room 105, and via Zoom.
- C. Subsequent Session meeting: Sunday, November 15, 2025.
- **D.** Remaining Presbytery Meeting: November 15, 2025 (Faith Presbyterian, Baytown)

New Members:

Marcia Park – September 21, 2025

Deaths:

Kyle Walker – September 15, 2025

Louis "Russ" Weinburger (non-member) on August 5, 2025, stepson of member Judy Weinburger

Vicki Wilson (non-member) on September 13, 2025, sister of member Dena Sowden