

**MINUTES OF THE SESSION MEETING OF THE  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN  
MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2018**

1. The session of First Presbyterian Church of Grand Haven, Michigan, assembled in God's name on Monday February 5, 2018, at 7:00 pm in the lounge of the church located at 508 Franklin Avenue in Grand Haven, Michigan. The Clerk, Carrie Rivette, determined a quorum was present. Rev. Troy Hauser Brydon called the meeting to order.
2. **Attendance:**
  - 2.1 Elders Present: Bill Blessing, Lynne Bosch, Calvin Clark, Sandie Enders, Megan Hayes, John Heritage, Jack Jansma, Keith Konarska, Andrew LaFurge, Nancy Levenburg, Paul McNergney, Abe Overway, Charlie Parker, Carrie Rivette and Tina Vander Wall.
  - 2.2 Elders Absent or Excused: Caroll Bennink, Marge Coffey, Jay Nietring, Rick Skodack, Michele Smith and Alishia Terrill.
  - 2.3 Teaching Elders Present: Troy Hauser Brydon and Jill VanderWal.
  - 2.4 Teaching Elders Excused or Absent: None.
  - 2.5 Others Present: None.
3. **Call to Worship:** Rev. Hauser Brydon read Psalm 63:1-8. Rev. Hauser Brydon then opened the meeting with prayer.
4. **Clerk's Report:** Carrie Rivette reporting:
  - a. Upon motion and support, session approved the March 5, 2018, meeting docket.
  - b. Upon motion and support, session approved the February 5, 2018, session meeting minutes, with the following change: Michele Smith was absent.
  - c. Upon motion and support, Amanda Cook Machan was moved to the active roll and transferred to FPC Charlottesville, VA.
  - d. Upon motion and support the January 2018 and February 2018 membership reports were approved.
  - e. Upon motion and support, minutes of the February 14, 2018, session vote via email were approved.
  - f. Sandie Enders will be moving to the Dearborn area and will only continue to be on session until June. Upon motion and support, her resignation was accepted.
  - g. The Operations Manual and Standard Practices were review. The can both be found in the session folder on Google Drive.
  - h. Correspondence – Molly Casteel, associate to Office of General Assembly, is conducting Representation, Inclusiveness and Ruling Elder training from 10-12 on March 8 at the Presbytery in Portage.

**First Presbyterian Church Membership Report  
January 2018**

<b>Membership as of December 31, 2017</b>	802	
Deaths:	2	
New Members Received:	0	
Restored to Active Roll:	0	
Removed from Active Roll:	4	
Transferred from Active to Inactive Roll:	0	
Transferred by Letter	0	
<b>Membership as of January 31, 2018</b>	800	
<b>Additional Registers</b>	<b>Member #</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>Baptisms:</b>	<b>1</b>	
1/28/2018 Charles Timothy Yosin, son of Clark & Stephanie (Lockwood)		
<b>Deaths:</b>	<b>2</b>	
1/3/2018 Jack VanGeldereren		5672
1/10/2018 Elmer Westerhof		797

**Communion Served:** 1/7/2018 8:45 & 11 a.m. Service

**Home Communion:** 1/7/2018

Harvey Beute	Laurel Hendrick	Marie Pfeiffer	Norma Vyn
Sandy Beute	Roy Lindberg	Sue Roper	Carol Winton
Barb Casemier	Sue McClellan	Gerry VanStratt	Evelyn Wood
Charlie Davis			

<b>Approved by Session 2/5/2018</b>		
2/5/2018	Kari Paintin, Move to inactive	Per her request
	Amanda Cook Machan, Transfer to FPC Charlottesville, VA	Transfer
	Karen Bush, Remove from the rolls	Per her request

**First Presbyterian Church Membership Report  
February 2018**

<b>Membership as of January 31, 2018</b>	<b>800</b>
Deaths:	2
New Members Received:	2
Restored to Active Roll:	1
Removed from Active Roll:	1
Transferred from Active to Inactive Roll:	1
Transferred by Letter	1
<b>Membership as of February 28, 2018</b>	<b>798</b>

<b>Additional Registers</b>	<b>Member #</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>Deaths:</b>	2	
2/23/2018 Nancy Aubry	4913	
2/27/2018 Jan Planteroth	5532	
<b>Membership Gains:</b>	2	
2/5/2018 Jerry Hilger	5780	
Carla Kocher	5781	
<b>Membership Losses:</b>	2	
2/5/2018 Kari Paintin		Per her request, Move to inactive Remove from the rolls Per her request
Karen Bush		
2/5/2018 <b>Restored to Active/Transferred by Letter:</b>	1	
Amanda Cook Machan		Transfer to FPC Charlottesville, VA

**Communion Served:** 2/4/2018 8:45 & 11 a.m. Service

**Home Communion:** 2/4/2018

Harvey Beute	Marie Pfeiffer	Gerry VanStratt
Sandy Beute	Sue Roper	Carol Winton
Charlie Davis	Flo Sluiter	Evelyn Wood
Sue McClellan		

5. **Bi-Monthly Elder Faith Biography:** Joyful Noise was deferred to April.
6. **Visioning time:**
  - a. Upon motion and support the Children's Ministries Director and Youth and Young Adults Director job descriptions were approved.
7. **Treasurer's Report:** Andre LeFurge reporting:
  - 7.1 Andrew reported Total revenues exceed budget and expenses.
  - 7.2 Nothing was out of the ordinary regarding fund disbursements for general fund or Joyful Noise.

	<u>Jan. Actual</u>	<u>Jan. Budget</u>	<u>YTD Actual</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>
General Fund Revenues	\$131,010	\$123,800	\$131,010	\$123,800
General Fund Expenses	\$97,323	\$97,191	\$97,323	\$97,191
Joyful Noise Revenues	\$60,959	\$57,646	\$60,959	\$57,646
Joyful Noise Expenditures	\$51,015	\$57,661	\$51,015	\$57,661

8. **Omnibus Motion:** Upon motion and support, session approved the following written committee reports:
- 8.1 **Adult Education Committee** minutes of February 15, 2018.
  - 8.2 **Children’s Ministry Committee** minutes of February 20, 2018.
  - 8.3 **Generosity Committee minutes** of February 13, 2018.
  - 8.4 **Hospitality and Outreach Committee** minutes of February, 20, 2018.
  - 8.5 **Joyful Noise Advisory Committee** meeting notes of February 20, 2018.
  - 8.6 **Nominations Committee** minutes of February 6, 2018.
  - 8.7 **Youth Committee minutes** of February 6, 2018.
9. **Committee Reports withheld from the Omnibus Motion:**
- 9.1 **Personnel Committee:** Nancy Levenburg reporting: Troy’s vacation was approved.
  - 9.2 **Trustee’s Committee:** Charlie Parker reporting.
    - 9.2.1 Purchase of phones and equipment from Trispective in the amount of \$3,522.99 to come from Omega Fund was approved.
    - 9.2.2 After motion and support, establishment of a Safety Committee as a sub-committee of Trustees to make recommendations and execute training was approved.
    - 9.2.3 ACS conversion and training onsite up to \$3,000 from Omega Fund was approved.
    - 9.2.4 Care Group funding from Alpha Fund for 2018 was approved.
  - 9.3 **Worship Committee:** Carrie Rivette reporting:
    - 9.3.1 Upon motion and support, Marcia Wallinga was approved as a member of the Worship Committee.
    - 9.3.2 Upon motion and support, summer worship hours will go into effect beginning May 27, 2018 (Memorial Day weekend) through September 2, 2018 (Labor Day weekend) with services times of 9 am, Traditional, and 11 am, Contemporary.
  - 9.4 Upon motion and support, session approved reports not included in omnibus.
10. **Unfinished Business:** None.
11. **New Business**
- 11.1 Elder Commissioners for the March Presbytery meeting will be Lynne Bosch, Alishia Terrill and Sandie Enders.
12. **Moderator's Comments:** Rev. Hauser Brydon reporting:
- 12.1 Troy will look into having December Presbytery meeting here.
13. **Associate Pastor Comments:** Rev. VanderWal reporting:
- 13.1 None.
14. **Action Item Recap:**
- 14.1 Approval of the March 5, 2018, meeting docket.
  - 14.2 Approval of the February 5, 2018, session meeting minutes.
  - 14.3 Upon motion and support, Amanda Cook Machan was moved to the active roll and transferred to FPC Charlottesville, VA.
  - 14.4 Upon motion and support the January 2018 and February 2018 membership reports were approved.

- 14.5 Upon motion and support, minutes of the February 14, 2018, session vote via email were approved.
  - 14.6 Upon motion and support, Sandie Enders resignation as of July was accepted.
  - 14.7 Upon motion and support the Children's Ministries Director and Youth and Young Adults Director job descriptions were approved.
  - 14.8 Accepted Treasurer's report.
  - 14.9 Under an omnibus motion, accepted the Adult Education, Children's Committee, Generosity Committee, Hospitality and Outreach Committee, Joyful Noise Board, Nominations and Youth Committees reports.
  - 14.10 Purchase of phones and equipment from Trispective in the amount of \$3,522.99 to come from Omega Fund was approved.
  - 14.11 After motion and support, establishment of a Safety Committee as a sub-committee of Trustees to make recommendations and execute training was approved.
  - 14.12 ACS conversion and training onsite up to \$3,000 from Omega Fund was approved.
  - 14.13 Care Group funding from Alpha Fund for 2018 was approved.
  - 14.14 Upon motion and support, Marcia Wallinga was approved as a member of the Worship Committee.
  - 14.15 Upon motion and support, summer worship hours will go into effect beginning May 27, 2018 (Memorial Day weekend) through September 2, 2018 (Labor Day weekend) with services times of 9 am, Traditional, and 11 am, Contemporary.
  - 14.16 Upon motion and support, session approved reports not included in omnibus.
  - 14.17 Elder Commissioners for the March Presbytery meeting will be Lynne Bosch, Alishia Terrill and Sandie Enders.
15. **Adjournment:** On motion and support, the session adjourned with the prayer at 8:25 pm. The next scheduled meeting is April 9, 2018, at 6:30 pm. Joint with Deacons

Carrie Rivette  
Clerk of Session