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Proceedings of Salem Presbytery – One Hundred Thirty-Eighth Stated Meeting May 16, 2023 North Wilkesboro Presbyterian Church, North Wilkesboro, North Carolina *(First time in person since February 2020!)*

SALEM ACTIONS:

Secured Parish Associate Agreement between:

- Rev. Stephanie Hankins & Rumble Memorial PC, December 19, 2022 to November 30, 2023
- Rev. Ken Broman-Fulks & Rumble Memorial PC, December 19, 2022 to November 30, 2023

Sabbatical Approval:

- Rev. Kim Priddy

Secured a Stated Supply Contract between:

- Rev. Susanne Martin & Thomasville First PC, April 9, 2023 to April 8, 2024
- Rev. Alberta McLaughlin & Dellabrook PC, April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024
- Rev. Evelyn Crews & Springwood PC, for pastoral assistant work focused on the church's Vision 2020 & Beyond Initiative, April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024

Laboring outside the Bounds of Salem Presbytery:

- Rev. Chris East

Renewed Interim/Transitional Pastor Contract:

- Rev. Deborah Conner & Greensboro First PC, March 28, 2023 to June 28, 2023

Renewed CRE Contract between:

- CRE Steve Braxton & Trinity PC, Elon, for one year beginning March 16, 2023
- CRE Tim Glaser & Bethany PC, Statesville, for one year beginning January 1, 2023
- CRE Wayne Robertson & Greenwood PC, for one year beginning March 1, 2023
- CRE Bill Browder & Mount Vernon Springs PC, for one year beginning February 1, 2023

- CRE Mae Weed & Lansing PC, for one year beginning January 1, 2023

Minister Transferring to Salem Presbytery:

- Rev. Jeffry Reynolds from Northeast Georgia Presbytery
- Rev. Peter Kim from Charlotte Presbytery
- Rev. Matthew Bussell from Arkansas Presbytery
- RE. Bonita (Boni) Quandt from Grand Canyon Presbytery

Appointed Moderator of Session:

- Rev. Olen Bruner at Dellabrook PC
- Rev. Felicia Stewart Hoyle at Second Salisbury PC
- Rev. Brian Rummage at Dogwood Acres PC
- Rev. R.C. Griffin at Taylorsville PC during Rev. Paul Sink's sabbatical

Dissolution of Pastoral Relationship:

- Rev. Cassandra (Casey) Riker & Jamestown PC, effective April 9, 2023

Added to Pulpit Supply List:

- Rev. Paul Ridolfi
- Rev. Steve Snipes
- Rev. Joanne Glaser
- Rev. Kevin Conley

Minister Transferring out of Salem Presbytery:

- Rev. Cassandra (Casey) Riker transferred to Central Florida
- Rev. Steve Scott transferred to Charlotte Presbytery
- Rev. David Cagle transferred to Philadelphia Presbytery

Secured a Commissioned Ruling Elder-Lay Pastor Agreement between:

- Mr. Steve Marks & Boone First PC, May 29, 2023 to September 4, 2023

Validated Ministry Renewal Approved or Revalidated:

- Rev. Kent Berry
- Rev. Jill Crainshaw
- Rev. Rebecca Todd Peters
- Rev. John Senior
- Rev. Glenn Otterbacher
- Rev. Stephanie Hankins
- Rev. Lynn Kunkle
- Rev. Alicia Wilson
- Rev. Allison Simmons
- Rev. Blake Tickle
- Rev. Francis Rivers Meza
- Rev. Tom Nesbit
- Rev. Amanda Lomax Davee
- Rev. Virginia Wood
- Rev. Rachel Fitch

Commissioned Ruling Elder:

- Mr. Steve Marks & Boone First PC, and that he be granted permission to celebrate the Sacraments and Moderate the Session, May 29, 2023 to September 4, 2023

Extended Call to Candidate Accepting a Call in Salem Presbytery:

- Mr. Michael Sarvis, Graham PC

Extended Call to Minister Member of Salem Presbytery

- Rev. Matthew Bussell, Greensboro First PC
- Rev. Peter Kim, High Point First PC
- Rev. Newton Cowan, Greensboro First PC

Approved Honorable Retirement:

- Rev. Lee Ellenwood, effective May 16, 2023
- Rev. Paul Rhodes, effective June 4, 2023

Participated in a Service of Honorable Retirement for:

- Rev. Lee Ellenwood
- Rev. Paul Rhodes

Recognized the dismissal of Epiphany New Church Development and the good works led by Lou and Chris East who ministered faithfully

Celebrated the 2023 Mission Challenge awards:

* to the church achieving the highest percentage increase of annual funding for the Presbytery's mission budget: *Unity PC*;

* to the church spending the highest percentage of its annual budget on mission: *Prospect PC*.

Approved motion to suspend standing rules requiring written vote on constitutional amendments.

Motion passed to affirm the following constitutional amendments proposed by the 225th General Assembly: 22E, 22O, 22P, 22S, 22U, 22CC, 22GG

Necrology for 2022 remembered and honored Ministers and Elders of Salem Presbytery whose deaths occurred in 2022

SALEM:

- Participated in worship and celebrated the Lord's Supper under the leadership of Rev. Amanda Horan, with the sermon focused on the passage at Marks 4:30-32
- Welcomed Ecumenical Visitor, Rev. John Triplett, pastor and executive director of Wilkes Ministry of Hope
- A Land Acknowledgement statement was offered by Rev. Keith Curl-Dove, to recognize Indigenous Peoples who are the original stewards of the lands on which we now live
- Welcomed Elder Olanda Carr with the Presbyterian Foundation, Elder Lee Woods (Logan) with the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic and Rev. Jorge Vazquez with El Buen Pastor
- Received reports from Transitional General Presbyter Barbara A. Smith, Designated Presbyter Jodi Lingan and Stated Clerk David Vaughan
- Received Salem Presbytery's statement of financial position and statement of activities.
- Received presentations and reports from Executive Council, Stewardship Committee, Church Growth & Transformation, CPM, COM, Task Force on Examinations, Hunger Committee, Peace & Justice Task Force.

Next Presbytery meeting will be held at First Burlington PC in Burlington Saturday, September 9, 2023