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Proceedings of Salem Presbytery – One Hundred Thirty-Seventh Stated Meeting February 21, 2023

SALEM ACTIONS:

Renewed Stated Supply Contract between:

- Rev. Keith Freeman & Baird's Creek PC, January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023

Renewed Interim/Transitional Pastor Contract:

- Rev. Lee Zehmer & High Point First PC, for a period of 6 months

Secured a Parish Associate Agreement between:

- Rev. Fred Beck & Guilford Park PC, for a period of 5 years beginning January 1, 2023
- Rev. Kit Schooley & Guilford Park PC for a period of 5 years beginning January 1, 2023

Sabbatical Approval:

- Rev. Jeff Smith

Renewed CRE Contract between:

- CRE Jim Beard & Immanuel PC, for a period of 1 year beginning March 1, 2023
- CRE Marty Brim & Wentworth PC, for a period of 1 year beginning January 1, 2023
- CRE Sue Moore & Unity PC, for a period of 1 year beginning January 1, 2023

Minister Transferring to Salem Presbytery:

- Rev. Ann Williams Brinson from Coastal Carolina Presbytery
- Rev. Susanne Martin from Abingdon Presbytery
- Rev. Laura Arlowyn Lee Tysinger from Presbytery of San Fernando

Appointed Moderator of Session:

- Rev. John Elam at Salisbury Second PC
- Rev. John Johnson at Shiloh PC
- Rev. Frank Dew at Vandalia PC
- Rev. Pat Fletcher at Thomasville First PC
- Rev. Ray Mims at Dogwood Acres PC
- Rev. Jeff Sockwell at Bixby PC

Dissolution of Pastoral Relationships where both Parties Agree:

- Rev. Bill Hoyle & Clemmons PC effective December 4, 2022
- Rev. Changwon Seo & Korean First PC effective December 4, 2022

Added to Pulpit Supply List:

- Rev. Kevin Conley

Extended Call to Minister Member of Salem Presbytery:

- Rev. Laura Arlowyn Lee Tysinger, Elkin PC

Authorized to Preside at Celebration of the Lord's Supper and Moderate the Session:

- CRE Steve Marks in Parish E, for a period of 1 year beginning February 21, 2023

Authorized to Preside at Celebration of the Lord's Supper:

- CRE LaQreshia Bates-Harley, for a period of 1 year beginning February 21, 2023

Approved Honorable Retirement:

- Rev. Felicia Stewart Hoyle, effective December 31, 2022

Participated in a Service of Honorable Retirement for:

- Rev. Felicia Stewart Hoyle

Inquirer to Candidate:

- Meagan Kelly, Student at Union Presbyterian Seminary, Charlotte

Elected individuals to fill vacancies on Presbytery committees:

Budget & Finance:

- Elder Ronda Tatum, Logan (2025)

COM-Task Force on CRE Training and Oversight:

- Elder Rick Purcell, Bethany, Graham (2025)

COM-Task Force on Examinations:

- Rev. Nancy Williams-Berry, HR (2024)

COM-Task Force on Ministry for the Changing Church:

- Rev. Suzanne Schafer Coates, HR (2024)
- Rev. Paul Ridolfi, HR (2024)

COM-Task Force on Transitions in Ministry (Installed):

- Elder Martha Higgins, Guilford Park (2024)

Committee on Preparation for Ministry:

- Rev. Kent Berry, VM (2023)
- Elder Alice Milam, Highland (2023)

Permanent Judicial Commission:

- Rev. Emily Schlaman Larsen, St. Andrews (2028)
- Rev. Paul Rhodes, Bethel (2028)

Property Management:

- Elder Randy Gettys, Spencer
- Elder Glenn Patterson, Bethany, Graham

Elder Commissioner to Synod Assembly:

- Elder Lee Woods, Logan (2025)

Minister Commissioner to Synod Assembly:

- Rev. Felicia Stewart Hoyle, MAL (2025)

Jubilee Fund (Synod):

- Elder LaQreshia Bates-Harley, Trinity, Salisbury (2025)

Committee on Representation:

- Elder LaQreshia Bates-Harley, Trinity, Salisbury (2025)
- Rev. Ruth Lenger, HR (2025)
- Elder Jinx Miller, Baird's Creek (2025)
- Rev. Paul Sink, Taylorsville (2025)

Search Committee for a New General Presbyter:

- Rev. Stephen Fearing, Guilford Park
- Elder Donna Hines, Mt. Jefferson
- Elder Catrelia Hunter, Mt. Vernon
- Rev. Charlie Lee, Starmount
- Rev. Rosa Miranda, VM, Presbyterian Mission Agency
- Rev. Paul Sink, Taylorsville
- Elder Charles Wallington, St. James

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: 22A, 22B, 22D, 22F, 22G, 22H, 22I, 22J, 22K, 22L, 22M, 22N, 22Q, 22R, 22T, 22V, 22W, 22X, 22Y, 22Z, 22AA, 22BB, 22DD, 22EE, 22FF

Dismissed (with gratitude) the Administrative Commission #1 for Covenant Presbyterian Church, Winston-Salem**SALEM:**

- Participated in worship and celebrated the Lord's Supper under the leadership of Co-Moderator of the PCUSA General Assembly, Rev. Shavon Starling-Louis and Salem Presbytery's Black Caucus, with the sermon focused on the Book of Isaiah.
- A Land Acknowledgement statement was offered by Stated Clerk David Vaughan, to recognize Indigenous Peoples who are the original stewards of the lands on which we now live.
- Received reports from Transitional General Presbyter Barbara A. Smith, Stated Clerk David Vaughan, and Designated Presbyter Jodi Lingan
- Welcomed Elder Elizabeth Little with Board of Pensions
- 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, COR, Hunger Committee, Peace & Justice Task Force.

Next Presbytery meeting will be held Tuesday, May 16, 2023 In Person Only (Live Stream/Zoom participation TBA): North Wilkesboro Presbyterian Church