

**THE PRESBYTERY OF SOUTHEASTERN ILLINOIS**  
**STATED MEETING**

Camp Carew, Makanda, Illinois

**Thursday, August 20, 2015**

*One God, One Table, Many Voices.*

Our Mission is to Connect, Equip, and Inspire Presbyterians as we walk with Jesus Christ.

**DOCKET (PAGES 1-3)**

9:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

9:30 Conversations with New and Interested Commissioners

**GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

10:00 OPENING OF PRESBYTERY Vice Moderator, Jan Mandernach (RE)  
Constituting Prayer, Call to Worship Song- This is the Day, Call to Confession, Prayer of Confession,  
Words of Pardon and Assurance, Response of Praise - All God's Creatures have a Place in the Choir;  
Sharing Christ's Peace

10:10 WELCOME  
By the Host Dan Kingery (RE)  
Seating of New and Corresponding Members  
INTRODUCTION OF NEW BUSINESS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

10:15 OMNIBUS MOTION (**PAGE 4**) Cindy Bean (TE)  
Roll  
Minutes –May 7, 2015, Stated Meeting

10:17 REPORT FROM DIRECTOR OF CAMP CAREW

10:27 COMMITTEE ON REPRESENTATION Dennis Hamilton (TE)  
Report/Ballot (**PAGE 5**)

10:30 COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY Rodger Allen (TE)  
Report (**PAGE 6**)

10:40 SYNOD COMMISSIONER REPORT Laurie Williams (TE)  
Synod Update

10:43 PRESBYTER FOR CONGREGATIONAL CARE REPORT Bill McLean (TE)  
Moderator Dennis Hamilton (TE)

10:50 ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION REPORTS Laurie Fields (TE), Michael Evancheck (TE)  
DuQuoin AC Report (**PAGES 7-11**); Macon AC Report (**PAGE 12**)

10:55 GENERAL COUNCIL REPORT Mary Turner (RE)  
Report (**PAGES 13-25**); Ballot (**PAGE 26**)  
Minutes May 14, 2015; June 18, 2015; July 23, 2015

11:05 COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY REPORT (**PAGES 27-31**) George Johnston (RE)  
Incoming Questions M Ackerman, E Corbin, B Goebel

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

11:20 Psalm 46:1-3, Table Talk – Hidden in Plain Sight; Revelation 21:1-6,

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

Hymn of Response – Lord of All Hopefulness, Invitation to Give, Offertory, Doxology, Prayer of Dedication

**SEALING OF THE WORD**

11:40 Invitation to the Table, Great Prayer of Thanksgiving, The Lord's Prayer, Words of Institution, Sharing the Bread and Cup, Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion, Hymn – I've Got Peace Like a River

12:00 ADJOURNMENT WITH BENEDICTION

LUNCH

**NEXT STATED MEETING: Thursday, November 19, 2015, 10:00 a.m., at Kemmerer Village, Assumption, IL.**

**Region Meetings:**

Salt Fork Region – Thursday, October 8, 2015  
Greater Decatur Region –  
East Central Region – NO fall gathering  
First Capital Region – Tuesday, September 15, 2015  
The Bridge Region – Tuesday, October 20, 2015  
River to River Region – NO fall gathering

**NOTES TO TEACHING ELDERS AND RULING ELDER COMMISSIONERS**

**PLEASE BRING THIS DOCKET AND OTHER PAPERS WITH YOU TO THE PRESBYTERY MEETING!**

Motions and resolutions from the floor **MUST** be presented in writing.

**INTRODUCTION OF NEW BUSINESS** – This is an item on the docket placed there to provide an opportunity for any member or commissioner to introduce matters that might not be a part of a Committee's report. This is your method of docketing a matter that you feel is important to the business of the Presbytery. Under the procedure, this new business will be referred to the Committee having cognizance over this matter. If at all possible, prior to the start of the meeting please give the Stated Clerk a summary of your item for new business so he/she can advise the Moderator.

**REMINDER TO CHURCHES** – If your elected commissioner or alternate is unable to attend a presbytery meeting, the Session may appoint another elder, either currently serving on the session or not, to serve as commissioner for that meeting. ALL visitors attending from your church need to either pre-register or sign in at the registration table at the meeting.

**HOW TO PRE-REGISTER** – Go to [www.psei.net](http://www.psei.net). Under the banner near the top of the page you will see *ministries* listed – put your cursor on that tab. On the drop-down menu, click on *Presbytery Meetings*. Here you will find the entire list of meeting documents. Read and print the ones you may want for the meeting.

**You may pre-register for the meeting through the website. Please do so by close of business (4pm) on Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup>.** Follow the above instructions and when you are on the *Presbytery Meetings* page, click on the *Pre-Register for Presbytery Meeting (form)*.

- Enter your name
- Select *Teaching Elder, Ruling Elder Commissioner, Other Presbyter* (GC, CRE, Corresponding Member, CCE, TP, Staff) or *Visitor* from the drop-down menu
- Select *Attending Yes or No* from the drop-down menu
- Enter complete church name (i.e.: Decatur First)
- PLEASE NOTE: If you need child care, please give us the name, age and allergies or special needs for each child.
- Click on submit.

Our office will receive notification of your pre-registration. If you are going to be absent, you still need to let us know by utilizing this form.

Alternate options to pre-register or notify us of your absence are to call the Presbytery office at 1-800-456-7734 or email us [office@psei.net](mailto:office@psei.net) by **close of business (4pm) on Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup>** to tell us you will or will not be coming to the meeting. Tell us your name; whether you are a Teaching Elder, Ruling Elder Commissioner, Other Presbyter or Visitor; your complete church name (i.e.: Decatur First). You may also give us the names of others that will be attending from your church. PLEASE NOTE: If you need child care, please give us the name, age and allergies or special needs for each child.

When you arrive at the meeting, find the "pre-registered" table. There you will find your name tag and any additional papers for the day.

#### **ADDITIONAL PAPERS**

- Worship Bulletin (**PAGES 32-35**)
- Hymns
- Guidelines for Covenant Behavior for Committee Conversation
- Map
- Child Care
- 2016 Nicaragua Mission Trip Info
- September/October 2015 Region Meetings Flyer
- ACS Flyer
- Optional Afternoon Recreational Opportunities Flyer

**MEAL TICKETS WILL BE \$8.00**

**NOTE: MEETING IS SCHEDULED TO ADJOURN AT 12:30, FOLLOWED BY LUNCH.**  
**Please don't forget to let us know when you pre-register, if you will be eating. Thanks!**

**THE CONSENT AGENDA**  
**PRESBYTERY OF SOUTHEASTERN ILLINOIS**  
Camp Carew, Makanda, Illinois  
Thursday, August 20, 2015

**It is RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery adopt the following:

***THE STATED CLERK'S REPORT***

1. that the tentative docket as prepared by the General Council and the Stated Clerk be adopted.
2. that the Minutes of the May 7, 2015 Stated Meeting be approved as printed.
3. that the Presbytery affirm the following actions taken by the Special Administrative Commission to examine Inquirers and Candidates:
  - 1) *a - That upon hearing her statements concerning her Christian faith and motives for seeking ordained ministry, Presbytery approve the Special AC's recommendation to receive Rachel Riggle as a Candidate for Teaching Elder effective February 10, 2015.*

**SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION TO EXAMINE CANDIDATES**  
Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois  
June 10, 2015

Present: George Johnston, Drew Holloway, Tom Mulch, Rodger Allen  
Excused: Cindy Shepherd, Granger Odum, Coralee Lawder, Cindy Bean

George opened the meeting with prayer. George agreed to serve as Moderator for the day, and Rodger as Secretary.

The commission spoke with Inquirer Rachel Riggle (First, Danville) about a variety of subjects, including her seminary experience, field education, faith journey, sense of call, Clinical Pastoral Education experience, and expectations for the coming year (as Interim Director of Christian Education at First Presbyterian Church of Columbia MO).

After dismissing Rachel from the room, there was a motion and second to enroll her as a Candidate for Ministry, effective February 10, 2015; a short discussion; and a unanimous vote in favor.

Rachel was invited back into the room, congratulated, and Drew closed the meeting with prayer.

**PRESBYTERY OF SOUTHEASTERN ILLINOIS  
COMMITTEE ON REPRESENTATION BALLOT**  
Camp Carew, Makanda, Illinois  
Thursday, August 20, 2015

*Insert all nominations made from the floor on the appropriate blank line \_\_\_\_\_*

**GENERAL COUNCIL**

**At-Large**

*Vacant – TE - 2017*

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**CAMPS AND CONFERENCES BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**River to River Region**

*Vacant – RE or TE – 2017*

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Denise Brown (RE), Murphysboro

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**At-Large**

*Vacant – TE - 2015*

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**COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY (Teaching Elder and Ruling Elders only)**

**Greater Decatur Region**

*Vacant – TE – 2015*

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Paul Spangler, Monticello

2015

*Vacant – RE – 2016*

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2016

**The Bridge Region**

*Vacant – RE – 2015*

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2015

**PERMANENT JUDICIAL COMMISSION**

*Vacant - TE - 2016*

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**THE PRESBYTERY OF SOUTHEASTERN ILLINOIS**  
Committee on Preparation for Ministry (CPM)  
Thursday, August 20, 2015

**For Presbytery approval**

**CPM recommends that Presbytery**

- a. Upon hearing her statement concerning her understanding of Christian Vocation in the Reformed Tradition and how it relates to her own sense of call, approve CPM's recommendation to receive Sarah Grace Montgomery as a Candidate for Teaching Elder (TE), and
- b. Pending Presbytery's affirmative vote for 1-a, that the Presbytery proceed to receive SARAH as a Candidate according to the PC(USA) Form of Government (effective date to be announced).

Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois  
Stated Meeting  
Camp Carew, Makanda, IL  
August 20, 2015  
Updated Report from DuQuoin Administrative Commission

**Action Items:**

(Note: The Call for the Stated Meeting will need to include notice that there will be a vote to rescind previous actions taken by the Presbytery at the May 7, 2015 meeting regarding the Dissolution of the DuQuoin congregation, the Sale of the Church, the Commission of Trustees taking custody of real and personal property, and the dismissal of the Administrative Commission. Previous notice will allow these motions to be approved with a majority vote.)

It is **RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery **RESCIND** the following motions:

**DISSOLUTION – DUQUOIN**

It was **VOTED** to dissolve the First United Presbyterian Church of DuQuoin, IL effective June 1, 2015, after the distribution of the personal property in the church.

**SALE OF CHURCH –DUQUOIN– FAITH ASSEMBLY OF GOD**

It was **VOTED** to approve the sale of the building and lots currently deeded to the First United Presbyterian Church of DuQuoin, Illinois for \$10,000 to the Faith Assembly of God, DuQuoin, IL and instruct the Presbytery's Commission of Trustees to administer/complete the sale of the property.

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION :**

City of DuQuoin, County of Perry and the state of Illinois:

1 part of lot four of block twenty nine of Keyes and Metcalf's addition to DuQuoin, Illinois, described as follows, to wit; Beginning 143 ½ feet west of the north east corner of the said lot four run south 248 feet, parallel with Washington St.; then west 10 feet more or less to within ten feet of the west line of said lot four; thence north, parallel with said Washington St. 248 feet to the south line of South St.; thence east along the south line of South St. To 7 feet, more or less to the place of beginning. Grantors are to give possession for the purpose of repair July 1, 1925 and complete possession of the premises Oct 1, 1925 except the reservation of space for the storage of household goods as agreed upon verbally which shall then revert over.

Lot Eight (8) in Block Ten (10) of Geo. T. Wall and Company's Addition to the City of DuQuoin, Illinois. Also a part of Lot Four (4) Block Twenty Nine (29) of Keyes and Metcalf's Addition to DuQuoin, Illinois described as follows: Beginning one hundred forty three and one half (143 1/2) feet west of the Northeast Corner of said Lot Four (4) run South two hundred forty eight (248) feet parallel with Washington Street, thence West one hundred seven (107) feet more or less to within ten (10) feet of the West line of said Lot Four (4) thence North parallel with said Washington Street two hundred forty-eight (248) feet to the South line of South Street, thence East along the South line of South Street one hundred seven (107) feet, more or less to the place of beginning.

**COMMISSION OF TRUSTEES**

It was **VOTED** that the Commission of Trustees of the Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois shall take custody of all real and personal property, with the exception of the personal items listed below and on the subsequent inventory sheets that will be recorded at the next Stated meeting of Presbytery, both known at this time and any that may become known or received in the future.

*Rationale:*

In the final meetings with the congregation and session the Administrative Commission and the Stated Clerk were assured that the contractual obligation for elevator maintenance with the Otis Elevator Company had been or would soon be brought to a close. However, Otis Elevator refused to release the congregation from their obligation. After the May 7, 2015 Presbytery meeting, on May 13, 2015, the Clerk of Session, Ruling Elder David Peters informed us that the negotiations with Otis Elevator were not going well. That afternoon the Administrative Commission received a copy of the contract with Otis Elevator. The Stated Clerk of the Presbytery authorized the contract to be sent to the Presbytery lawyer, Dan Austin, for his review. The Stated Clerk informed the President of the Commission of Trustees of this action as well as the Moderator for the congregation. Dan Austin advised the President of the Commission of Trustees that it appeared to be a valid contract and that it was proper to require that the assumption of the maintenance contract be a part of the sale of the property. The potential purchaser of the property was subsequently notified of that obligation and has since withdrawn their offer.

Whereas the Administrative Commission was misinformed about the status of the contractual obligation and whereas the offer for the property was withdrawn and whereby it is believed that the officers of the congregation have a clearer right to negotiate the termination of the maintenance contract and obtain a free and clear title for the property than the Presbytery, it is recommended that the Presbytery rescinded the previous actions. This will allow the Commission of Trustees an advisory role in assisting the congregation rather than have the Presbytery take on the financial and legal obligations directly. Additionally, this will allow the Administrative Commission to also take on an advisory role and the AC can act on behalf of the Presbytery between meetings.

For Information:

The remaining items of property were distributed as follows and are being reported to the Presbytery (see May 2015 Stated Meeting minutes).

Distribution List - DuQuoin

To Bob Holloway for Chaska Presbyterian Church, Malawi (Bob is a member at Sparta-Westminster)

1. Assorted Bibles
2. 12" wooden cross
3. 8" wooden cross
4. Christian flag, pole, base
5. traveling communion set
6. communionware and linen (trays, chalice, pitcher, etc.)
7. brass vase
8. computer and lexmark printer

To First-Shelbyville

1. 30" flower stand
2. computer desk
3. 3 boxes of material



4. Corningware dishes, serving bowls, etc.
5. 7 dippers

To First-Marion

1. tv/dvd combo player
2. letters and numbers for marquee
3. 3 candleabra stands
4. plexiglass light covers (1 box)
5. chest freezer
6. plastic pump bottle (if not wanted with the communionware going to Bob Holloway)
7. funnel (same as 6)
8. plastic holder (same as 6)
9. 2 boxes candlelighter wicks
10. 4 candlelighters
11. 2 candlelighter stands
12. 8 ft. step ladder

To Pinckneyville:  
framed church picture

To First-Urbana - mostly to take to their sister church in Domasi, Malawi

1. Choir and acolyte robes (all available)
2. 6 ft. white folding table
3. small round white clock
4. disk player
5. sewing machine
6. various office supplies (3 hole punch, push pins, paper, markers, etc.)
7. 2 wall clocks
8. box of kids card games
9. wall clock
10. wallboard, markers, eraser
11. picture of Jesus and his disciples
12. box of attendance pins
13. PW manual
14. 2 Trinity Bible studies
15. 47 coloring books
16. records
17. 4 games
18. various hymnals and songbooks
19. 10 DVD's
20. Deacon guides
21. 3 children's books
22. 200 Assorted Children's books
23. 3 games
24. 7 puzzles
25. 1 box of crayons

26. Christian posters
27. 2 boxes of markers
28. 2 DVD's
29. cash drawer
30. paint, scissors, container with beads, pencils
31. 1 Fischer-price toy
32. 1 activity table with 4 chairs
33. 1 clock
34. Paper supplies for restrooms
35. various kitchen utensils
36. 5 hot plates
37. blender
38. 3 colanders
39. 5 cookie sheets
40. 1 metal tea kettle
41. 18 large butcher knives
42. 7 paring knives
43. 1 set of mixing bowls with 2 sets of beaters
44. 1 hand mixer with beaters
45. 1 percolator
46. 1 aluminum percolator
47. 1 tea pot
48. 1 30 cup percolator - green and yellow
49. 8 insulated coffee carafes
50. 2 white carafes
51. various cleaning supplies
52. 9 trays
53. 18 assorted baskets
54. 16 salt and pepper plastic
55. 8 small glass salt and pepper
56. 12 candleholders
57. various votives and candleholders
58. 16 clear slender vases
59. 6 white bud vases
60. scissors, markers, rulers from kitchen
61. 8 battery candles with holders
62. red stepladder
63. 1 clock
64. 1 roll masking tape
65. plastic and Dixie cups of various sizes
66. serving utensils
67. 14 gift sacks and boxes and tissue
68. white paper placemats and table decorations
69. 7 lace tablecloths
70. 1 white lace tablecloth
71. 1 red tablecloth

72. 1 yellow tablecloth
73. 3 white lace tablecloths
74. 1 small cloth for coffee table
75. 2 irons
76. 1 fold up ironing board
77. assorted plastic and vinyl tablecovers
78. 1 small napkin basket
79. brown and white paper sacks (1 pkg. Each)
80. 1 wooden music stand
81. 4 wooden offering plates
82. misc. cards and announcements
83. 60 candlelight service candles
84. 5 white and blue acolyte robes
85. 1 white robe
86. various music and choir folders, office supplies
87. Very large selection of music for choir and organ or piano
88. 148 Hymns for the Living Church
89. 1 Hymns for the Living Church accompanist edition (3 ring binder)
90. 1 very old globe
91. badminton set
92. 8 boxes of choir robes
93. 1 medium tote of golden bows
94. 16 battery candles
95. 4 strands of white Christmas lights
96. various yard hand tools
97. 2 foot aluminum stepladder
98. small dolly
99. various hand tools

Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois  
Stated Meeting  
Camp Carew  
August 20, 2015  
Report from Macon Administrative Commission

The following items of business were approved at the Stated meeting on May 7, 2015:

The following items are for approval.

**DISSOLUTION – MACON**

It was **VOTED** to allow the Macon Administrative Commission to set the effective date for dissolution of the Macon Presbyterian Church. The date will be set to be as close to June 1<sup>st</sup> as possible provided that the bond issue is resolved. If the bond issue cannot be easily resolved then the AC will confer with the Presbytery's Commission of Trustees before recommending dissolution.

**RESOLUTION OF BOND ISSUE/PAYMENT OF LOAN**

If the Macon congregation cannot pay back the loan on June 1, 2015 the General Council will act on the recommendation of the Presbytery's Commission of Trustees concerning the future resolution of the bond issue, the possibility of repayment of the loan through other funds at the Macon church's disposal or deferment on payment of the loan until the property is sold.

**COMMISSION OF TRUSTEES**

It was **VOTED** that the Commission of Trustees of the Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois shall take custody of all real and personal property, with the exception of the personal items listed below and on the subsequent inventory sheets that will be recorded at the next Stated meeting of Presbytery, both known at this time and any that may become known or received in the future.

**UPDATE:**

Clerk of Session Connie Black and her husband have been working very hard with the Treasurer and members of the congregation and the Administrative Commission to resolve the Putnam bond issue. They are in the final stages and hope to receive the funds soon. As a result the promissory note has not been repaid and the congregation has not been dissolved. Additionally, the Commission of Trustees has not assumed custody of all real and personal property.

Our prayers have also gone out to the Chair of the Macon Administrative Commission, Michael Evanchek whose father died quite suddenly out of state. Michael who has been working tirelessly with the duties of the Administrative Commission needed to set them aside for the time being. The inventory distribution will soon be approved, but it may need to be reported to the next Presbytery meeting due to the present circumstances.

On a positive note, a local realtor is willing to work on the sale of the property and it may be sold to become a Community Center. Hopefully that action will be reported to the Presbytery at a subsequent meeting.

**The Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois Stated Meeting**  
**General Council Report**  
Camp Carew, Makanda, IL  
Thursday, August 20, 2015

**RECOMMENDATION A**

**Administrative Commissions**

**Ridgway – Closing - AC**

**It was VOTED to RECOMMEND** that the Presbytery elect the following to serve as members of the Administrative Commission to work with the Ridgway Church to investigate and determine the advisability of closing the church and to make the recommendation dissolve the congregation if they determine that it be in the best interests of the church and the presbytery and That the members of the Ridgway Administrative Commission consist of the following:  
Teaching Elders: Wade Halva, Marion, (Moderator); Ruling Elders: Coralee Lawder, Murphysboro (Trustees); Peter Alexander, Carbondale; Mac Butler, Eldorado; Elaine Lassner

**Rantoul – Closing – AC**

**It was VOTED to RECOMMEND** that the Presbytery elect the following to serve as members of the Administrative Commission to work with the Rantoul Church to investigate and determine the advisability of closing the church and to make the recommendation dissolve the congregation if they determine that it be in the best interests of the church and the presbytery and That the members of the Rantoul Administrative Commission consist of the following:  
Teaching Elders: Wade Meranda, Hoopeston (Trustee); Steve Shoemaker, HR; Cindy Shepherd, Validated Ministry; and Ruling Elders: Linda Smith, Tolono; and Marilyn Dewey, Rantoul.

**Lampstand – Dismissal – AC**

**It was VOTED to RECOMMEND** that the Presbytery elect an Administrative Commission which will have the powers to divide, dismiss or dissolve the Lampstand, Decatur congregation. The Administrative Commission will bring their recommendations to the Presbytery for approval. The official records of the congregation shall be retained by the Presbytery. All minutes of the Administrative Commission will be submitted and received by the Presbytery upon the completion of their work and will thereby become a part of the Presbytery minutes. The congregation wishes to be dismissed to the Evangelical Covenant Order of Presbyterians. The following are nominated to serve on the Lampstand Administrative Commission: Ruling Elders: Beth Bachtold, Decatur, First; Dan Rennert, Decatur, Lampstand; Susan Gant, Decatur, Westminster; Paul Saegesser, Mattoon (Trustees) and Teaching Elders: Jeff Grote, HR; Andrew Clark, Neoga.

**Kell, Romine Prairie – Dismissal - AC**

**It was VOTED to RECOMMEND** that the Presbytery elect an Administrative Commission which will have the powers to divide, dismiss or dissolve the Romine Prairie, Kell congregation. The Administrative Commission will bring their recommendations to the Presbytery for approval. The official records of the congregation shall be retained by the Presbytery. All minutes of the Administrative Commission will be submitted and received by the Presbytery upon the completion of their work and will thereby become a part of the Presbytery minutes.

The congregation wishes to be dismissed to the Evangelical Presbyterian Church. The following are nominated to serve on the Kell, Romine Prairie Administrative Commission: Ruling Elders: Mac Butler, Eldorado, Moderator; Granger Odum, Marion; Janet Proctor, Golconda; and Teaching Elders: Rachel Helgeson, Mt. Vernon; Kerry Bean, Cobden.

## **RECOMMENDATION B**

### **McLean – Housing Allowance**

It was **VOTED to RECOMMEND** that the Presbytery approve the designation of \$14,556 (annual rate) for housing from salary for the Presbytery for Congregational Care for 2015.

## **RECOMMENDATION C**

### **Listening Team Task Force**

It was **VOTED to RECOMMEND** that the Presbytery approve the following:

To create a Listening Team Task Force, with the following guidelines:

- 1.) Interview and listen to a majority of the Presbytery's Sessions, representative of our diverse geography, demographics, and theology, with the goal of achieving as close to 100% participation as possible.
- 2.) Present to these Sessions our current Mission Statement and Priorities, and to ask their opinions of their:
  - a. Effectiveness – “Are we being successful in communicating and achieving our priorities and mission?”
  - b. Appropriateness – “Is this what the mission of our Presbytery should be?”
  - c. Adherence to their own expectations of Presbytery – “What do they think Presbytery should do and be? How can Presbytery best communicate with them?”
- 3.) Provide a written report to General Council at each General Council meeting on their progress (November, January and April) so that General Council can evaluate the results of their findings, and determine whether PSEI's Mission Statement and priorities are still appropriate and valid.
- 4.) Consist of a Moderator and 3 to 4 members of each Presbytery region, as well as the Presbyter for Congregational Care, with care taken to be as representative as possible in regards to Ruling and Teaching Elders, Men and Women, and small church vs. larger church membership. The Task Force will elect a Vice Moderator from amongst the Task Force members.
- 5.) Finish process of interviewing sessions by April of 2016 and to present final recommendations to Presbytery in August of 2016.

Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois Mission Statement:  
The Mission of the Presbytery is to connect, equip, and inspire  
Presbyterians as we walk with Jesus Christ

### Priorities

1. Equip pastors and other leaders in congregations to help members become growing, vital disciples
2. Take a leadership role in working with churches that are struggling
3. Equip pastors and other leaders in congregations with strategies that enable them to reach new members
4. Streamline the Presbytery organizationally and administratively so that it makes better use of financial resources.

### *Task Force Guidelines*

#### **Listening Team Task Force**

**Function:** In order to foster healthy relationships within the Presbytery, present the Mission Statement and Priorities of the Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois to member congregations' sessions based upon these interviews and the evaluate results and their findings.

**Mandated by:** PSEI General Council

**Tasks:** Date to be finished

1. Organize the Listening Task Force, and create sub-teams to conduct session interviews  
September 2015
2. Interview a majority of congregations in each region April 2016
3. Evaluate responses June 2016
4. Present final recommendations to General Council July 2016
5. Present final recommendations to Presbytery August 2016

**Task Force reports policy and procedural recommendations to:** General Council

**Recommended Task Force size:** 19-24 members (3-4 from each region plus a Moderator); ideally, there will be two teams of two task force members for each region.

**Assigned Staff:** Presbyter for Congregational Care

**Time Commitment:** One organizational meeting; visits to 5-7 session meetings in a 7-8 month period (if sessions are open to it, small or similar congregations may be combined into one meeting); two or three meetings to evaluate findings and develop recommendations to General Council and Presbytery (these may be done electronically.)

**Other information:** Members will be representative of our diverse geography, demographics, and theology, and will have **excellent listening skills**.

## RECOMMENDATION D

**First reading of 2016 budget** – Paul presented the 2016 Draft Budget for a 1<sup>st</sup> reading. It was **VOTED to RECOMMEND** that the Presbytery receive the 2016 Proposed Budget for a first reading with a subsequent vote for approval at the November 2015 Stated Meeting. This proposed budget indicates a \$90,387 deficit. Paul will draft a narrative and charts to be presented with the budget.

Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois

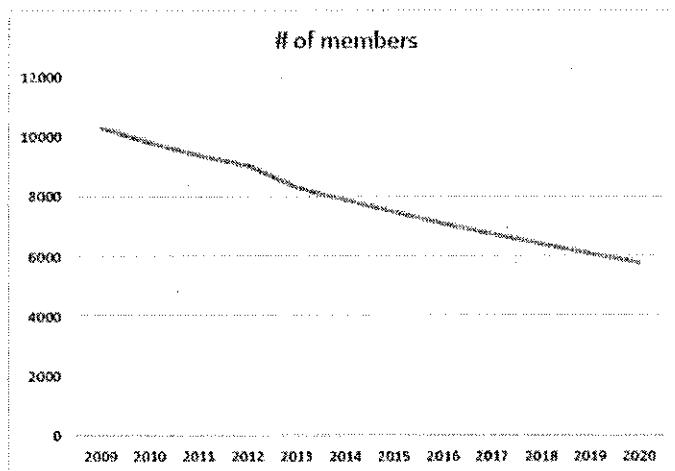
2016 Budget 1<sup>st</sup> Reading

Narrative

The budget committee's 2016 operating budget is being submitted to the Presbytery for the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading.

Presbytery is facing the same reality as many of our congregations – falling membership. As you know, Presbytery has committed itself to helping congregations deal with that reality through various initiatives supporting churches. That commitment will continue. The budget calls for presbytery to reduce reserves by \$90,987 in 2016, but to maintain the current level of services.

The committee always takes a conservative path in building the annual budget – we assume less than we hope and work for. One of the base assumptions going into 2016 is that our membership will continue to decline. The chart below displays the path we are planning for.



Of course, that path also means a significant drop in per capita income, both to the churches and the presbytery. In fact, the budget expects a \$49,480 drop in per capita from 2015 to 2016. We are not, however, proposing an increase in our per capita rate in 2016. The GA/Synod/Presbytery combined per



capita rate will stay at \$40 again this year. The synod has not increased their rate, GA has increased theirs by \$.05 – an increase the presbytery will absorb.

As in recent past years, our shared mission receipts are committed to supporting Camp Carew – expected shared mission income is \$60,000 and expenses for the camp are budgeted at \$74,165 – approximately a 2% increase.

For budget purposes, and subject to personnel committee action, salaries have been increased 2.2% over 2015. The various committee budgets are unchanged from 2015 with two exceptions. General Council's budget was increased for 2015 to cover the PCC search. That increase is not in 2016. Committee on Ministry requested \$8,000, down from \$8,700 in 2015. General office expenses are reduced from \$37,000 in 2015 to \$35,000 in 2016.

The "bottom line" is that the 2016 budget expects expenses to be \$90,387 more than revenues. The shortfall can be absorbed by reducing our fund balances/reserves.

Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois  
2016 Budget 1st Reading

Actual thru June 2015

	YTD Actual	2015 Budget	2016 Budget	\$ Difference	% Difference
<b>Revenues</b>					
400100 - Per Capita	216,016	332,080	282,600	(49,480)	-15%
400200 - Presbytery Mission Support	38,724	65,000	60,000	(5,000)	-8%
400300 - Special Offerings - Undesignated	3,694	-	-	-	-
400400 - Investment Return	448	4,000	3,000	(1,000)	-25%
400500 - W.D. Morgan Trust	8,214	7,500	7,500	-	0%
400800 - Registration and Sales	2,313	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>269,408</b>	<b>408,580</b>	<b>353,100</b>	<b>(56,480)</b>	<b>-14%</b>
<b>Expenses</b>					
<i>Program Services</i>					
500105 - GA Per Capita	29,348	58,695	55,892	(2,803)	-5%
500106 - Synod per capita	15,818	31,630	29,909	(1,722)	-5%
<i>Camp Carew</i>					
<i>Director</i>					
500200 - Director Salary	29,732	57,413	58,676	1,263	2%
500210 - Director Social Security	2,190	4,400	4,489	89	2%
500220 - Director Travel	483	4,000	4,000	-	0%
500230 - Director Cont Ed	250	1,000	1,000	-	0%
<b>Total Director</b>	<b>32,655</b>	<b>66,813</b>	<b>68,165</b>	<b>1,352</b>	<b>2%</b>
500250 - Program Support	3,000	6,000	6,000	-	0%
<b>Total Camp Carew</b>	<b>35,655</b>	<b>72,813</b>	<b>74,165</b>	<b>1,352</b>	<b>2%</b>
<b>Total Program Services</b>	<b>80,818</b>	<b>163,138</b>	<b>159,965</b>	<b>(3,173)</b>	<b>-2%</b>

Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois  
2016 Budget 1st Reading

Actual thru June 2015

	YTD Actual	2015 Budget	2016 Budget	\$ Difference	% Difference
<b>Supporting Services</b>					
<b>Staff</b>					
Presbyter for Congregational Care					
500300 - PCC Salary	20,089	45,613	46,616	1,003	2%
500320 - PCC Pension	9,549	16,649	17,248	599	4%
500330 - PCC Travel	2,393	9,000	9,000	-	0%
500340 - PCC Continuing Ed	650	1,000	1,000	-	0%
Total Presbyter for Congregational Care	32,681	72,262	73,865	1,603	2%
<b>Stated Clerk</b>					
500400 - SC Salary	22,806	45,613	46,616	1,003	2%
500420 - SC Pension	9,530	16,649	17,248	599	4%
500430 - SC Travel	2,389	9,000	9,000	-	0%
500440 - SC Continuing Ed	50	1,000	1,000	-	0%
Total Stated Clerk	34,575	72,262	73,865	1,603	2%
<b>Administrative</b>					
500500 - Admin Salary	26,508	53,016	54,182	1,166	2%
500510 - Admin Social Security	2,028	4,055	4,177	122	3%
500520 - Admin Annuity	2,859	3,457	3,533	76	2%
500530 - Admin Medical Ins.	3,203	5,000	5,500	500	10%
500540 - Admin Travel	155	1,000	2,000	1,000	100%
500550 - Admin Cont Ed	250	250	500	250	100%
Total Administrative	35,003	66,778	69,892	3,114	5%
Total Staff	102,259	211,302	217,621	6,319	3%
<b>Office</b>					
Occupancy					
500630 - General	25,763	37,000	35,000	(2,000)	-5%
Total Office	25,763	37,000	35,000	(2,000)	-5%

Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois  
2016 Budget 1st Reading

Actual thru June 2015

	YTD Actual	2015 Budget	2016 Budget	\$ Difference	% Difference
<b>General Council</b>					
500700 - GC	4,747	29,320	9,000	(20,320)	-69%
<b>Committees</b>					
501000 - COM	1,524	8,700	8,000	(700)	-8%
502000 - CPM	336	6,500	6,500	-	0%
504000 - Personnel	32	1,000	1,000	-	0%
504500 - Nominations & Representations	-	400	400	-	0%
505000 - Ecclesiastical Functions	120	1,500	1,500	-	0%
Total Committees	2,012	18,100	17,400	(700)	(0)
<b>Treasurer</b>					
506000 - TR Audit	250	4,500	4,500	-	0%
Total Treasurer	250	4,500	4,500	-	0%
Total Supporting Services	135,031	300,222	283,621	(16,701)	-6%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>215,849</b>	<b>463,360</b>	<b>443,487</b>	<b>(19,873)</b>	<b>-4%</b>
<b>Revenue over Expenses</b>	<b>63,659</b>	<b>(64,780)</b>	<b>(90,387)</b>	<b>(35,607)</b>	<b>65%</b>

Assumptions:

- <sup>1</sup> 7,850 members @ \$40 with 90% collected
- <sup>2</sup> 7,850 members @ \$7.12 and \$3.81, respectively
- <sup>3</sup> 2.2% salary increase
- <sup>4</sup> Removed budget for PCC search
- <sup>5</sup> Includes voluntary 403(b) contribution

### **RECOMMENDATION E**

#### **Recommendation regarding the Camp Director position.**

Chris Williams, Camp Board Moderator, was contacted by the Personnel Committee for a recommendation regarding the length for funding of a full-time agreement for the Camp Director. Based on conversations around the financial projections for the Presbytery, Chris thought at this time the Presbytery could commit to a two year full time agreement. **It was VOTED to RECOMMEND** that if the way be clear, the Presbytery renew the Camp Carew Director's Agreement for two years, effective January 1, 2016.

### **RECOMMENDATION F**

#### **Set meeting dates for 2016**

**It was VOTED to RECOMMEND** that the Presbytery set the following Stated Meeting dates at the following locations:

Sunday, February 21 at 3pm in Greenville, IL. Youth groups will be invited also.

Thursday, May 12 at Effingham at 10 am.

Thursday, August 18 at Danville at 10am.

Thursday, November 17 at Carbondale at 10 am.

### **RECOMMENDATION G**

**PJC Reserve Roster** - Will need to replace Jim Montgomery (2009) once he transfers.

**It was VOTED to RECOMMEND** that the Presbytery make the following changes to the Permanent Judicial Commission Reserve Roster: Replace Ruling Elder Ginny Phillips (2011) with Teaching Elder Ann Schwartz (2005), and Teaching Elder Michael Neubert (2013) with Teaching Elder Cindy Shepherd (2005).

### **RECOMMENDATION H**

#### **Treasurer's Report**

**It is RECOMMENDED** to receive the financial statement as printed.

**Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois  
Monthly Analysis of Revenues & Expenses  
January to June 2015**

Accounts	YTD Actual	Annual Budget
<b>Revenues</b>		
400100 - Per Capita	\$216,016	\$332,080
400200 - Presbytery Mission Support	\$38,724	\$65,000
400300 - Special Offerings - Undesignated	\$3,894	\$0
400400 - Investment Return	\$448	\$4,000
400500 - W.D. Morgan Trust	\$8,214	\$7,500
400600 - Registration and Sales	\$2,313	\$0
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$289,408</b>	<b>\$408,580</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
<b>Program Services</b>		
500100 - Presbytery Mission Projects	\$500	\$1,000
500102 - Mission Discovery	\$1,735	\$0
500105 - GA Per Capita	\$29,348	\$58,695
500106 - Synod per capita	\$15,816	\$31,630
<b>Camp Carew</b>		
<b>Director</b>		
500200 - Director Salary	\$28,628	\$43,168
500210 - Director Social Security	\$2,190	\$4,400
500220 - Director Travel	\$483	\$4,000
500230 - Director Cont Ed	\$250	\$1,000
500240 - Director Pension	\$1,104	\$14,245
<b>Total Director</b>	<b>\$32,656</b>	<b>\$66,813</b>
<b>Program Support</b>		
500250 - Program Support	\$3,000	\$6,000
<b>Total Program Support</b>	<b>\$3,000</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>
<b>Total Camp Carew</b>	<b>\$35,656</b>	<b>\$72,813</b>
<b>Total Program Services</b>	<b>\$68,054</b>	<b>\$164,138</b>
<b>Supporting Services</b>		
<b>Staff</b>		
<b>Exec. Presb.</b>		
500300 - EP Salary	\$20,089	\$45,813
500320 - EP Pension	\$9,549	\$16,849
500330 - EP Travel	\$2,393	\$9,000
500340 - EP Continuing Ed	\$850	\$1,000
<b>Total Exec. Presb.</b>	<b>\$32,881</b>	<b>\$72,262</b>
<b>Stated Clerk</b>		
500400 - SC Salary	\$22,806	\$45,813
500420 - SC Pension	\$9,530	\$16,849
500430 - SC Travel	\$2,389	\$9,000
500440 - SC Continuing Ed	\$50	\$1,000
<b>Total Stated Clerk</b>	<b>\$34,675</b>	<b>\$72,262</b>
<b>Administrative</b>		
500500 - Admin Salary	\$28,508	\$53,018
500510 - Admin Social Security	\$2,028	\$4,055
500520 - Admin Annuity	\$2,859	\$3,457
500530 - Admin Medical Ins.	\$3,203	\$5,000
500540 - Admin Travel	\$155	\$1,000
500550 - Admin Cont Ed	\$250	\$250
<b>Total Administrative</b>	<b>\$35,003</b>	<b>\$66,778</b>
<b>Total Staff</b>	<b>\$102,259</b>	<b>\$211,302</b>
<b>Office</b>		
<b>Occupancy</b>		
500600 - Rent	\$3,173	\$0
500630 - General	\$22,590	\$37,000

**Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois  
Monthly Analysis of Revenues & Expenses  
January to June 2015**

<b>Accounts</b>	<b>YTD Actual</b>	<b>Annual Budget</b>
<b>Total Occupancy</b>	<u>\$25,763</u>	<u>\$37,000</u>
<b>Total Office</b>	<u>\$25,763</u>	<u>\$37,000</u>
<b>General Council</b>		
500700 - GC Travel & Meeting	\$641	\$2,000
500705 - Presbytery meetings	\$0	\$2,000
500710 - GC Retreats	\$0	\$250
500720 - GC Task Forces	\$52	\$500
500730 - GC Camps	\$213	\$750
500740 - Illinois Council of Churches	\$0	\$500
500760 - EP Search	<u>\$3,341</u>	<u>\$23,320</u>
<b>Total General Council</b>	<u>\$4,247</u>	<u>\$29,320</u>
<b>Committees</b>		
<b>Ministry</b>		
501000 - COM Travel & Meeting	\$1,331	\$3,500
501010 - COM Retreats	\$0	\$2,000
501030 - COM Clergy Lay Leader Support	\$143	\$0
501040 - COM Service to Sessions	\$50	\$0
501060 - COM Ministerial Concerns	\$0	\$2,800
501070 - COM Administration	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$400</u>
<b>Total Ministry</b>	<u>\$1,524</u>	<u>\$8,700</u>
<b>Preparation for Ministry</b>		
502000 - CPM Travel & Meeting	\$138	\$1,500
502010 - CPM Midwest Care & Development	\$200	\$0
502020 - CPM Candidates under care	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$5,000</u>
<b>Total Preparation for Ministry</b>	<u>\$338</u>	<u>\$6,500</u>
<b>Personnel</b>		
504000 - Pr Travel & Meeting	<u>\$32</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<u>\$32</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>
<b>Nominations &amp; Representations</b>		
504500 - NOM Travel & Meeting	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$400</u>
<b>Total Nominations &amp; Representations</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$400</u>
<b>Ecclesiastical Function</b>		
505000 - EF Admin Commissions	\$120	\$500
505010 - EF Ordination & Installation	\$0	\$250
505020 - EF Permanent Judicial Committee	\$0	\$250
505030 - EF Response Team	\$0	\$250
505040 - EF Investigations	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$250</u>
<b>Total Ecclesiastical Function</b>	<u>\$120</u>	<u>\$1,500</u>
<b>Total Committees</b>	<u>\$2,012</u>	<u>\$16,100</u>
<b>Treasurer</b>		
506000 - TR Audit	<u>\$250</u>	<u>\$4,500</u>
<b>Total Treasurer</b>	<u>\$250</u>	<u>\$4,500</u>
<b>Total Supporting Services</b>	<u>\$134,531</u>	<u>\$300,222</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>\$217,585</u>	<u>\$484,360</u>
<b>Net Total</b>	<b>\$61,824</b>	<b>(\$55,760)</b>

**Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois  
Monthly Balance Sheet  
June 2015**

**Accounts**

<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Current Assets</b>		
100100 - Checking Account	\$59,801	
100200 - Petty Cash	\$50	
100400 - Unpaid Prior Years Per Capita Rec	\$139,211	
100450 - Allowance for Doubtful	(\$92,566)	
<b>Investments</b>		
100300 - First Mid CDs	\$284,656	
100310 - Presbyterian Investment & Loan Prog	\$250,000	
<b>Total Investments</b>	<u>\$534,656</u>	
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>\$851,153</b>
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>		
100510 - Camp Carew Foundation - New Cov.	\$275,873	
100520 - Camp Carew Fdn Unrealized Gain/Loss	(\$6,549)	
100800 - Office Equipment	\$43,762	
100850 - Accumulated Depreciation Office Equ	(\$38,861)	
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>		<b>\$274,215</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b><u>\$925,368</u></b>
<b>Liabilities, Fund Principal, &amp; Restricted Funds</b>		
<b>Liabilities</b>		
<b>Payroll Taxes Payable</b>		
200400 - Illinois W/H	\$493	
<b>Total Payroll Taxes Payable</b>		<b>\$493</b>
<b>Mission Funds Payable</b>		
200700 - GA Missal Funds	\$6,273	
200800 - Synod Mission	\$2,029	
200900 - Other Mission	\$7,456	
200950 - Camp Carew	\$1,246	
<b>Total Mission Funds Payable</b>		<b>\$17,002</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b>\$17,495</b>
<b>Fund Balance</b>		
209999 - Unrestricted Fund Balance	\$100,028	
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>		<b>\$100,028</b>
<b>Restricted Funds</b>		
Total Temporarily Restricted	\$532,284	
Total Permanently Restricted	\$275,561	
<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>		<b>\$807,845</b>
<b>Total Liabilities, Fund Principal, &amp; Restricted Funds</b>		<b><u>\$925,368</u></b>

**Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois  
Monthly Summary of Restricted Accounts  
January to June 2015**

Accounts	Beginning Balance	Restricted Revenue	Restricted Expenses	Ending Balance
<b><u>Temporary Restricted</u></b>				
800200 - Peacemaking	\$38,118	\$412	\$500	\$38,030
800500 - Special Offerings Designated	\$5,459	\$0	\$0	\$5,459
800800 - Trustees Account	\$399,292	\$18,015	\$5,307	\$412,000
800700 - Camp Carew Building Fund	(\$11,982)	\$0	\$0	(\$11,982)
800800 - Local Disaster Relief	\$3,992	\$0	\$0	\$3,992
800900 - Pastoral Enrichment & Support	\$31,808	\$0	\$3,470	\$28,338
801000 - Mission & Ministry	\$100,000	\$0	\$43,373	\$56,627
<b>Total Temporary Restricted</b>	<b>\$568,457</b>	<b>\$18,427</b>	<b>\$52,660</b>	<b>\$532,284</b>
<b><u>Permanent Restricted</u></b>				
900100 - Camp Carew Foundation	\$273,276	\$0	\$200	\$273,076
900200 - Camp Carew Adj	\$2,508	\$0	\$0	\$2,508
<b>Total Permanent Restricted</b>	<b>\$275,784</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>\$275,584</b>

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**Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois  
Pledge/Gift Report  
From 08/01/2015 To 08/30/2015**

Fund Code	Description	Non-Pledge Gifts	Total Pledge	Pledge Gifts This Period	Pledge Gifts Prior Periods	Pledge Balance
1	Camp Carew	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2	GA Shared Mission	\$6,272.83	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
3	General Office	\$5.32	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4	Mission Directed	\$183.33	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5	Per Capita	\$2,953.34	\$330,440.00	\$11,497.34	\$199,625.80	\$119,316.86
7	Presbytery Shared Mission	\$8,281.97	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
10	Synod Shared Mission	\$2,028.84	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
21	One Great Hour of Sharing	\$3,935.85	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
23	Christmas Joy	\$2,163.88	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
27	Pentecost	\$1,324.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
		<b>\$20,849.78</b>	<b>\$330,440.00</b>	<b>\$11,497.34</b>	<b>\$199,625.80</b>	<b>\$119,316.86</b>

## RECOMMENDATION I

**First reading of the 2016 Camp Carew budget - It is RECOMMEND** that the Presbytery receive the 2016 Camp Carew Proposed Budget for a first reading with a subsequent vote for approval at the November 2015 Stated Meeting, as received from David Rozanski. This proposed budget indicates a \$23,340 deficit.

PRESBYTERIAN CAMP CAREW							
2016 PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET							
		CASH REVENUE				AS OF 7/14/2015	
	CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	2013 Budget	2014 Budget	2014 Actual	2015 Budget	2016 Budget
1	Support	Presbytery of SE IL	\$20,484.00	\$8,000.00	\$12,884.38	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
2		Endowment Funds	\$22,000.00	\$22,000.00	\$9,238.64	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
3		Individuals, Churches, Other	\$18,000.00	\$19,000.00	\$37,888.81	\$16,000.00	\$16,000.00
4		New Covenant Funds			\$3,330.00		\$3,000.00
5		Subtotal Financial Support	\$60,484.00	\$49,000.00	\$62,929.83	\$34,000.00	\$37,000.00
6	Registrations	Camper fees/Gifts	\$31,000.00	\$31,000.00	\$29,884.60	\$32,000.00	\$30,000.00
7		Weekend Rentals	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$2,983.60	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00
8		Subtotal Registrations	\$36,000.00	\$36,000.00	\$32,868.20	\$34,000.00	\$31,000.00
9							
10	Directed Support and other income		\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$8,064.63	\$3,500.00	\$10,000.00
11	From Reserves			\$9,484.00		\$32,400.00	\$0.00
12		TOTAL CASH REVENUE	\$100,984.00	\$94,984.00	\$103,872.55	\$100,900.00	\$78,000.00
13		EXPENSES					
14	Site	Utilities	\$16,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$19,295.46	\$16,000.00	\$16,000.00
15		Maintenance - Buildings & Grounds	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$11,667.77	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00
16		Subtotal Site	\$26,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$30,963.23	\$26,000.00	\$21,000.00
17	As of 8/1/2015						
18	Payroll	Payroll - Summer Camp Staff (Gross Salaries)	\$27,000.00	\$27,000.00	\$19,782.73	\$31,000.00	\$28,000.00
19		Payroll - Director of Maintenance/Caretaker (Gross Salary)	\$3,300.00	\$3,300.00	\$3,477.10	\$3,300.00	\$3,400.00
20		Employer taxes	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00	\$1,844.82	\$2,300.00	\$2,300.00
21		Personnel Support Services	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$4,218.60	\$500.00	\$300.00
22		Subtotal Payroll Expenses	\$33,300.00	\$33,300.00	\$29,323.25	\$37,100.00	\$34,000.00
23	Program	Program Materials, Services & Development	\$8,500.00	\$8,500.00	\$10,242.88	\$8,500.00	\$8,500.00
24		Program travel & auto expenses	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$3,275.45	\$500.00	\$1,500.00
25		Groceries for Prepared Meals	\$8,400.00	\$8,400.00	\$12,328.62	\$8,400.00	\$15,000.00
26		Subtotal Program Materials and Costs	\$20,900.00	\$20,900.00	\$25,846.95	\$15,400.00	\$25,000.00
27	Support	Administrative	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$3,729.82	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
28		Publicity fund raising, and Website	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$684.36	\$200.00	\$600.00
29		Insurance	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$8,733.50	\$14,000.00	\$16,000.00
30		License, Fees	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,815.04	\$500.00	\$200.00
31		Financial Expenses	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$418.68	\$300.00	\$300.00
32		Other	\$64.00	\$64.00	\$8,858.42		\$1,203.60
33		Gifts and Donations			\$2,978.00		\$0.00
34		Subtotal Support	16,764.00	16,764.00	26,426.72	16,400.00	20,340.00
35		TOTAL EXPENSES	\$94,964.00	\$94,964.00	\$112,559.83	\$94,900.00	\$98,340.00
36		Total's Difference	\$6,020.00	\$0.00	-\$8,687.28	\$6,000.00	-\$20,340.00

## RECOMMENDATION J

### Camp Carew Treasurer's Report

It is **RECOMMENDED** to receive the financial statement as printed.



# Presbyterian Camp Carew 2d Quarter Report

## Income/Expense by Category

1/1/2015 through 6/30/2015

Category	1/1/2015- 3/31/2015	4/1/2015- 6/30/2015	OVERALL TOTAL
<b>INCOME</b>			
Camp Store	0.00	65.00	65.00
Campers Fees	550.00	24,855.50	25,405.50
Church Donation	10,683.23	21,570.00	32,253.23
Donation	2,266.02	2,920.00	5,186.02
Foundation	6,421.49	0.00	6,421.49
From PSEI	1,500.00	1,500.00	3,000.00
Interest Inc	2.24	1.88	4.12
Memorial	0.00	845.00	845.00
New Covenant funds	6,292.60	0.00	6,292.60
Other Inc	0.00	3,132.21	3,132.21
Presbyterian Foundation	457.62	0.00	457.62
Reimbursement	0.00	125.00	125.00
Reimbursement Income	106.14	0.00	106.14
Use Fees	50.00	50.00	100.00
FROM Operating Fund	0.00	5,426.14	5,426.14 Will change with Dan's Expenses
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>28,329.34</b>	<b>60,490.73</b>	<b>88,820.07</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Uncategorized	0.00	7,518.42	7,518.42 Will change with Dan's Expenses
Auction	221.49	205.54	427.03
Auto & Transport	328.34	561.84	890.18
Bills	0.00	345.36	345.36
Camp Groceries	2,911.49	7,821.10	10,732.59
Camp Insurance	3,222.75	8,153.50	11,376.25
Camp Programs	1,006.58	4,594.30	5,600.88
Fees & Charges	157.50	49.00	206.50
Interest Exp	0.00	53.92	53.92
Maintance	80.64	3,038.67	3,119.31
Misc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
Office	446.34	626.07	1,072.41
Reimbursements	221.30	152.50	373.80
Scholarship Expense	0.00	830.00	830.00
Staff Payroll	400.00	8,486.66	8,886.66
Tax	1,248.84	0.00	1,248.84
Travel	141.00	0.00	141.00
Utilities	3,313.07	5,302.09	8,615.16
TO MASTER VISA ACT XX7148	0.00	5,426.14	5,426.14
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>13,699.34</b>	<b>53,165.11</b>	<b>66,864.45</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>14,630.00</b>	<b>7,325.62</b>	<b>21,955.62</b>

**PRESBYTERY OF SOUTHEASTERN ILLINOIS**  
**GENERAL COUNCIL BALLOT**  
Camp Carew, Makanda, Illinois  
**Thursday, August 20, 2015**

*Insert all nominations made from the floor on the appropriate blank line \_\_\_\_\_*

**COMMITTEE ON REPRESENTATION NOMINEES**

**Greater Decatur Region**

*Vacant - TE/RE - 2016*

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2016

## Committee on Ministry Report

Camp Carew, Makanda, IL

***For Information:***

## 35 Years

September-28-1980

## Neubert, Michael

October-27-1985

## Barrett, Wayne

November 13, 2005

## Pulpit Supply List

***For Action:***

**It was VOTED to RECOMMEND** that “vacation” be defined as 4 weeks which ordinarily run Monday through Sunday, including 4 Sundays.

### Transfer - Bob Goebel

**It was VOTED to RECOMMEND** that the Presbytery approve the following Temporary Pastoral Agreements

**Roger Lyons—First Presbyterian Church, Shawneetown, IL (? units)**

Salary	\$200/week	Travel	\$25/week
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Still need agreements from: C. Scott Davis, Colleen Lawrence, Jerry Williams

**It was VOTED to RECOMMEND** that the Presbytery approve the following Non-PC(USA)Temporary Pastoral Agreements:

**Cecil Dunning – First Presbyterian Church, Rockwood, IL (? units)**

Salary \$275/month

Still need agreements from: Tom Busch, Cecil Dunning (for Ebenezer), Frank Ogdon, Bill Reed, David Shain.

**Carlson – Interim – Champaign, First (\*\*\*) keep at 105 Associate Pastor for Five Part form)**

It is **RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery approve the Associate Pastor assuming Head of Staff in the Interim time Agreement between the session of the Champaign, First Church and the Rev. Chuck Carlson for full-time beginning June 1, 2015 and ending May 31, 2016, with the following terms:

Salary	\$59,650	Auto Reimburse	\$1,800
Housing allow.	\$31,590	Supplemental Life	\$1,260
Medical Spending	\$2,500	Continuing Ed	\$1,000
Pension & Medical	full	Professional Exp.	\$1,900
Vacation	30 days/year	Study Leave	2 weeks/year

**Corbin – Covenant Associate Pastor – Champaign, First**

It is **RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery approve the Covenant Pastor agreement between the session of the Champaign, First Church and the Rev. Eric Corbin for full-time beginning June 1, 2015 for a period of two Years with the following terms:

Salary:	\$40,000	Medical Deductible/HRA:	\$1,000
Housing	\$23,000	Auto Reimbursement:	\$1,000
Continuing Education Allowance:	\$1,800	Professional Expense:	\$1,200
Pension and medical for family	full	Dental for family	full
Vacation	30 days/year	Study Leave	2 weeks/year

Separation agreement should the congregation choose not to call and install at the end of the covenant agreement or upon the need to end the call: one month of full pay/full benefits, one month of half pay/full benefits, and one month of no pay/full benefits.

**Corbin – Corresponding Member**

It is **RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery approve Rev. Eric Corbin as a Corresponding member of the Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois with voice and vote while he serves the Champaign First congregation. Rev. Corbin is a member in good standing of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

**Owen – Interim – Urbana, First**

It was **VOTED** to approve the Interim Pastor Agreement between the session of the Urbana, First Church and the Rev. Deborah Owen for full-time beginning June 29, 2015 and ending June 28, 2016, with the following terms including continuation of Corresponding Member status with voice and vote:

Salary	\$61,000	Auto Reimburse	\$4,300
Housing allow.	\$12,000	Professional Expenses	\$6,000
Deferred Comp	\$1,500	Continuing Ed	\$2,800
Vacation	30 days/year	Study Leave	2 weeks/year
Pension/Med	\$10,220 (12% E.S.)		
60 day early out option			

#### **Wakeland – Interim - Mt. Zion**

**It is RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery approve the Interim Pastor Agreement between the session of the Mt. Zion Church and the Rev. Michel Wakeland for full time beginning July 19, 2015 to July 1, 2016 with the following terms:

Salary	\$44,000	Auto Allowance	\$3,500
Housing Allowance	\$23,000	Professional Expenses	\$1,000
Continuing Education	\$1,600	Full Pension and Medical	
SECA	\$2,445	30 days vacation & 2 weeks study leave/year	

#### **Riegel – Chaplain CRE – Kemmerer Village**

**It is RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery approve the Commissioned Ruling Elder Agreement between Ruling Elder Dorey Riegel and the Kemmerer Village Board to serve as Campus Chaplain – including administration of the sacraments, Christian marriage when invited, (but voice and vote at Presbytery meetings is not selected) beginning February 1, 2015 and ending February 1, 2016, with the following terms for 2-3 units per week:

Salary	\$8,000	Room and Board	1-2 days per week
No study leave or vacation days			

#### **Ackerman – Head of Staff - Westminster, Decatur**

**It is RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery find in order and for the good of the whole Church the call of the Westminster Presbyterian Church of Decatur, IL to Teaching Elder Marjorie Ackerman effective July 1, 2015 with the following terms:

Salary	\$35,000	Pension & Medical	full
Housing	\$10,000	Books & Cont. Ed	\$1,500
Moving	\$5,000	Vacation	30 days
Study Leave 2 weeks			

The Committee advised the Presbytery that the Constitutional provisions contained in F-1.0403 have been complied with and that the AA/EEO requirements have been met.

that Ms. Ackerman, having been examined for membership by the Committee on her Christian faith and views in theology, the Sacraments and government of the Church, be received as an active member, upon receipt of her Letter of Dismission from Missouri River Valley or Lake Huron Presbytery.

#### **Bryant – Dissolution - Greenville**

**IT is RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery approve the dissolution of the pastoral relationship between Teaching Elder Ken Bryant and the congregation of First Presbyterian Church of Greenville, IL, effective August 31, 2015 so that he can retire.

#### **Bryant – Honorably Retired**

**It is RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery grant the status Honorably Retired to Teaching Elder Ken Bryant.

#### **Neal – CRE Transitional – Centralia**

**It is RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery approve the agreement between the session of the Centralia church and CRE Lynn Neal for part-time (7 -9 Units) effective June 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015, with the following terms:

Salary	\$10,780	Housing	\$4620
SECA	Employer portion	Continuing Ed Reimb.	\$50
	Auto Reimburse at IRS rate	Vacation days	
4 weeks	Second week of interim training	\$500	Study Leave
1 week training			

#### **Witt – Communion Renewal**

**It is RECOMMENDED** at the request of the Witt session, that the Presbytery authorize Elders Alvin Yeske and Joyce Matthews to administer the sacrament of Communion for the period of one year beginning February 1, 2015, while the congregation is without a pastoral leader.

#### **Communion – Palestine – Ruling Elders**

**It is RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery approve, at the request of the session of the Palestine church, that the following Ruling Elders be trained to administer the Lord's Supper for a period of one year effective August 1, 2015: Sandra Ellis, Michelle Goodwin, Lynn Piffer, and Karren Greene. Mac Butler will recruit a trainer.

#### **Dissolution – Mochizuki – Little Egypt Parish**

**It is RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery approve the dissolution of the Designated pastoral relationship between Teaching Elder Nate Mochizuki and the congregations of the Little Egypt Parish (Harrisburg, Carmi, and Eldorado), effective August 9, 2015.

#### **Mochizuki - Labor out of Bounds**

**It is RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery approve the request for Rev. Nate Mochizuki to labor out of bounds in Missouri River Valley Presbytery effective, August 24, 2015, in order to participate in a Chaplaincy Residency in Omaha, Nebraska. He will be enrolled as a Member-at- Large effective August 24, 2015.

#### **Dissolution – Moses – Little Egypt Parish**

**It is RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery approve the dissolution of the Designated pastoral relationship between Teaching Elder Elizabeth Moses and the congregations of the Little Egypt Parish (Harrisburg, Carmi, and Eldorado), effective August 19, 2015.

#### **Duncan -Temporary Pastor – Metropolis**

**It is RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery approve the Temporary Pastoral Agreement between the session of the Trinity Presbyterian Church, Metropolis, IL and the Rev. Michael Wayne Duncan who is a member in good standing of the Disciples of Christ. Rev. Duncan will work 2 days/ week effective June 28, 2015 until February 1, 2016, with the following terms:

Salary	\$1,000 per month	Vacation	10 two day periods
Auto reimburse	at IRS rate		

#### **Duncan - Corresponding Member**

**It is RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery approve the Rev. Michael Wayne Duncan as a Corresponding Member of the Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois with voice and vote while he serves the Trinity Presbyterian Church of Metropolis, IL.

**Metropolis – Moderator – Duncan**

**It is RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery approve Rev. Michael Duncan to moderate the session.

**Dissolution – Walden – Murphysboro and Pinckneyville**

**It is RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery dissolve the yoked pastoral call between the Rev. Charles Walden and the Pinckneyville and Murphysboro congregations effective, July 31, 2015 with the following terms of dissolution:

Salary & housing	5 months	Pension & medical full	5 months
Unused vacation	cash value	SECA – employer portion	5 months

Charles will be enrolled as a Member-at-Large effective August 1, 2015.

The congregational meetings will be on July 19, 2015. This is coming primarily from Murphysboro. It was hard for Pinckneyville to get up to speed on this issue, but have chosen to go along with Murphysboro.

**Communion – Golconda**

**It is RECOMMENDED** that the Presbytery approve the renewal of the authorization for Ruling Elders Janet Proctor and Barb Slyder to administer the Lord's Supper to the Golconda congregation as needed beginning August 1, 2015.

**Cost of Living Adjustment Recommendation (COLA)**

**It was VOTED** that the Cost of Living Adjustment Recommendation be set at 2.2%. Congregations can use this recommendation or set their COLA at another rate.

**2016 MINIMUM SALARY**

**It was VOTED** to approve an increase in the full-time minimum effective salary for the year 2016 to \$44,000 which is the Board of Pension's full-time minimum salary rate for Pension and Medical dues. This is the same minimum for 2015. Congregations who cannot meet this salary rate for their pastors will be in conversation with the Committee on Ministry and exceptions can be made.

**Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois**

August 20, 2015

Camp Carew

**Gathering Around the Word**

**The Constituting Prayer**

**\*Call to Worship**

*"This is the Day"*

*This is the day, this is the day  
That the Lord has made, that the Lord has made.  
We will rejoice, we will rejoice  
And be glad in it, and be glad in it.  
This is the day that the Lord has made;  
We will rejoice and be glad in it.  
This is the day, this is the day  
That the Lord has made.*

**\*Call to Confession**

In Christ Jesus, God comes to us to give us light and hope. But too often our faces fail to reflect the joy and salvation Christ imparts. Instead, we walk around as if doom and gloom were our inheritance, not God's peace and grace. Let us join now to confess our sin, so that our lives—and our faces—might once more shine with the brightness of God's love for us.

**\*Prayer of Confession**

*Thom Shuman, Lectionary Liturgies ([lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com](http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com))*

*Please take a few moments for silent reflection and confession.*

**You know better than we do, loving God, what important people we believe we are. Believing we have to be serious all the time, we miss out on the joy of your creation. Choosing to feast on the pain of the world, we skip the picnic offered in paradise. Clinging to the despair which is our best friend, we ignore Jesus, who can bring us home to your heart.**

**Forgive us, Heart of Joy, and make us open to the startling, and upside-down, ways in which you work. Fill us with Easter's laughter; fill us with your healing joy; fill us with the love poured into us through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

**\*Words of Pardon and Assurance**

*Shuman*

The Gospels tell us over and over again of the joy which comes to us through Christ. When Jesus was around, lives were changed, the sick were healed, the sorrowful began to laugh with joy. The good news is that this joy is now given to us.

**Through the Holy Spirit, we are gifted with joy. We are sent forth to bring good news to the oppressed, to bring healing to the broken, to anoint everyone with the oil of gladness. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven!**

**\*Response of Praise**

*"All God's Critters Got a Place in the Choir"*

CHORUS

*All God's critters got a place in the choir,  
Some sing low, some sing higher,  
Some sing out loud on the telephone wire  
And some just clap their hands or paws or anything they got.*

*Well, listen to the bass, it's the one on the bottom  
Where the bullfrog croaks and the hippopotamus  
Moans and groans with big to-do*



*And the old cow just goes, "Moo"*

*Well, the dogs and the cats, they take up the middle  
The honeybee hums and the crickets fiddle  
The donkey brays and the pony neighs  
The old coyote howls*

CHORUS

*Well, listen to the top where the little bird sings  
The melody with the high voice ringing  
The hoot owl hollers over everything  
And the jaybird disagrees*

*Singing in the nighttime, singing in the day  
The little duck quacks and he's on his way  
The 'possum don't have much to say  
And the porcupine talks to herself*

CHORUS

*Everybody here is a part of the plan  
We all get to play in the great critter band  
From the eagle in the sky to the whale in the sea  
It's one great symphony*

CHORUS (2 times)

**\*Sharing Christ's Peace**

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### Listening for God's Word

**Scripture Reading**

*Psalm 46:1-3*

**Table Talk**

*"Hidden in Plain Sight"*

*We seem to be surrounded on all sides by bad news these days, from poverty and greed to violence and death. With so much to be concerned about and grieved by, we can forget that the bad news is only part of the story. The other part of the story is that God is still at work to bring hope, joy and new life into the world in and through Jesus Christ. This morning we will spend some time thinking together about where we see signs of healing and hope and good news in the midst of our times and circumstances, that we may encourage one another and praise God for God's goodness.*

**Scripture Reading**

*Revelation 21:1-6*

### Responding to God's Word

**\*Hymn of Response**

*"Lord of All Hopefulness" (Glory to God # 683; ALTERNATE TUNE: Slane)*

*Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy  
Whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy;  
Be there at our waking and give us, we pray,  
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.*

*Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,  
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe  
Be there at our labors and give us, we pray,  
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.*

*Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,  
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,  
Be there at our homing and give us, we pray,  
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.*

*Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,  
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,  
Be there at our sleeping and give us, we pray,  
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.*

#### **Invitation to Give**

*Peace and Global Witness (Peacemaking) Offering*

#### **Offertory**

#### **\*Doxology**

#### **\*Prayer of Dedication**

*The Worship Sourcebook*

**God of wonder, we offer you these humble gifts, signs of your goodness and mercy. Receive them with our joy and gratitude, that through us all people may know the riches of our love in the Word-made-flesh. Amen.**

#### **Sharing at the Lord's Table**

*Today's Communion liturgy is adapted from*

*J. Wayne Pratt, Worship in the Garden (Abingdon, 2013), pp. 58-62.*

#### **Invitation to the Table**

Friends, this is the joyful feast to be shared by the people of God. We are invited to the Lord's Table as those chosen, forgiven, and reconciled. Believe, come, and share in the good ness of God's abundant provision.

#### **Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up you hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord of Creation.**

Let us offer our praise and thanks to God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, always and everywhere, to give thanks to God, the Creator of heaven and earth and of all abundance.

You formed the sun and moon and stars above and embraced your creation with words that were well-pleasing. You created oceans and dry land, mountains and valleys, as home to plants and animals. You then formed us in your image, O God, and breathed life into each of us.

You provided a Light in Jesus Christ to guide our way and bring us closer to you. When we turned away from you, Lord, your love was always present, arms always outstretched to welcome us. You showed us how to walk

in faith with dignity and hope. You shared with us the promise of abundant and eternal life, reminding us that sin and death are not the end. Through the power of the Cross, you reconcile us to you and to one another.

We give you thanks, O God, for this holy meal, shared in remembrance of all that Christ gave for us. And so, Lord, bind us together as children of your Creation, eager to follow in your way of truth and life, that we may always give you praise and thanks. Through your abundant love given in the gift of Christ Jesus, shared with us in this communion meal.

And now, as forgiven and reconciled children of God, let us pray together, as Jesus taught, saying...

#### **The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)**

#### **Words of Institution**

#### **Sharing the Bread and Cup**

These are the gifts of God, for the people of God. Come, for all is ready.

#### **Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion**

Let us pray together:

**God of creation and new life, with joy we have received this sacrament of bread and cup, giving thanks for your Son, Jesus Christ, our hope and peace. May we experience peace and unity as we share in Christ's ministry and servanthood. We thank you, God, for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. And now, send us into the world bound together in the strength and goodness of your Holy Spirit. Amen.**

#### **\*Hymn**

*"Peace Like a River"*

*I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,  
I've got peace like a river in my soul.  
I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,  
I've got peace like a river in my soul.*

*I've got love like an ocean...*

*I've got joy like a fountain...*

#### **\*Benediction**

*based on Romans 15:12-14*

May the God of hope fill us with joy and fill us with peace so that our lives, filled with the life-giving energy of the Spirit, will overflow in hope, today, tomorrow and always. **Amen!**