

Session Notes

Following are some highlights from the August 18, 2011 Regular Session meeting. The unapproved minutes are posted on the church bulletin board near the library:

MOTIONS

Consensus Agenda:

Items approved by acceptance of the meeting agenda:

- Affirmed that communion was served at 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. services on August 7, 2011.
- Acknowledged the wedding of Joel Fankhauser and Joslyn Shandera on August 6, 2011 at Eastridge Presbyterian Church with Rev. James W. Crelin, 3rd officiating.
- Approved the wedding of Ashley Ober and Zachary Eicher on June 30, 2012 at Eastridge Presbyterian Church.
- Approved the wedding of Tierney Smith and Brock Peterson on August 11, 2012 at Eastridge Presbyterian Church.
- Approved the wedding of Stephanie Brunmeier and Tyler Johnson on October 12, 2013 at Eastridge Presbyterian Church.
- Acknowledged the baptism of Jakobi B. Rankin at the 10:20 a.m. service on August 14, 2011 at Eastridge with Rev. James W. Crelin, 3rd officiating.
- Acknowledged the baptism of James Michael Dickey at the 10:30 a.m. service on June 19, 2011 at Eastridge with Rev. James W. Crelin, 3rd officiating.
- Added to baptized member roll:
 - ~ James Michael Dickey – Baptism: 6/19/11, Eastridge Presbyterian Church
 - ~ Jakobi B. Rankin – Baptism: 8/14/11, Eastridge Presbyterian Church
- Approved the baptism of Maya Faye Boden, daughter of Chris and Mike Boden, at the 11:00 a.m. service on August 21, 2011 with Rev. James W. Crelin, 3rd officiating
- Removed Chad & Kim Shirk and family from the active church rolls, per their request, effective 8/2/11, no longer attending.
- Removed Helen and Joan Creger from the active church rolls, per their request, no longer attending.

- Removed Dana Kinnaman from the active church rolls, no longer attending no known current address.
- Removed Tony Kinnaman from the active church rolls, no longer attending, no known current address
- Removed Gail Blankenau from the active church rolls, per her request, no longer attending.
- Removed Richard Gerteisen from active church rolls, not living in Lincoln, no known current address.
- Removed Matthew Oestmann from active church rolls, no longer attending, no known current address.
- Removed Jennifer Gollehon from active church rolls, no longer attending, no known current address.

Regular Motions:

A motion was approved for Susan Taylor to submit an order for playground equipment and installation of the playground equipment for a total cost of \$42,881.00. Funds for the playground equipment and installation will be provided by Susan Taylor, the Mom's group, the Men's group, and other donations.

A motion was approved for the Church Mission Study survey to be distributed to members with the following changes:

- ~ Eliminate question regarding number of worship services.
- ~ Add question that requests for level of satisfaction rating of worship services, Christian Education, spirituality, capital campaign, youth programs, and mission.

A motion was approved to provide a budget of \$1,000 for APNC, establishing a line item for APNC from Youth Director's line item budget.

A motion was approved to table the motion requested by the music committee to move from three (3) Sunday worship services to two (2) Sunday worship services until the next Session meeting,

A motion was approved for June Lyman to serve communion on a quarterly basis to an Eastridge member who resides in a care facility.

A motion was approved for Session to withdraw the request to form a benevolence committee made up of deacons and to return to a Pastor's Discretionary Fund to be used by the pastor for

situations that need immediate help. Session will provide oversight of the benevolent donations through an anonymous listing presented to Session on a monthly basis. This process will become effective immediately.

REPORT OF PRESBYTERY COMMISSIONERS

Elders Wayne Fetterley, Tim Creger, and Ralph Riemann served as commissioners to the slated meeting of Homestead Presbytery at Fairbury Presbyterian Church on August 18, 2011. Commissioners reported that Rev. Steve Frazier led the worship service, that in order to provide time for presbytery and congregations to create their church manuals, the 2009-11 Book of Order has been approved for continued use in those issues requiring manuals. The per capita total was set at \$32.17 for 2012. The work of Interchurch Ministries of Nebraska was presented by its Director Marilyn Meecham. Two congregations were closed: Bethany of Carroll and Prague. Goodbyes were offered to pastors leaving the Presbytery, including Rev. Crelin, who will be moving to Arizona.

The Christian Education Committee reported that Rev. Frazier-Koontz is organizing an adult Sunday School class entitled, "What's the Least I can Believe and Still be a Christian?" Jim Budka is organizing a photography class for Monday evenings. Discarded books from the library will be donated to the Lincoln Public Libraries sale. Plans have been made for Midweek Manna Bible study classes. Bibles will be presented to third graders on September 11th.

The Youth Committee reported that Sandy Sunderman is coordinating the confirmation effort and has done a tremendous amount of work and planning to get things prepared. The Sunday morning Confirmation teacher is Whitney Hobbs. Gary Olsen and Keith Thomson will coordinate the Middle School Youth and have assembled a great team of people who include: Danae Lorenzen, Michelle Bassford, Mary Swanson, Heather Sams, Owen Gray, and several others who will provide support. The theme for this year's curriculum will be "Moving Forward With Faith in Jesus". Doug McDaniel will coordinate the Senior High Youth Sunday morning forum with the help of Becky Rankin and Mickey McDaniel. Kyle Griffin is coordinating the Sunday evening group with the help of Emily Ehly, Brendan McDaniel, Carmen McGee, Hannah Lambert and Ross Whiston. Chris Boden will coordinate the Kool Kids group.