

Stated Session Meeting May 28, 2008

Pastor Larry Hayward called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Haverkamp Room. Elder Carol Skiba offered a devotional and prayer. The following members, constituting a quorum, were present:

Brad Buchanan	present	Paul Neureiter	excused
Patty Chamberlain	present	Ken Niemann	present
Linc Cummings	present	Elizabeth O'Brien	present
Eileen Denne	present	Karen Olson	present
Gail Donley	present	Anne Pickett	present
Don Fowler	present		
Frank Fraser	present	David Roden	present
Priscilla Goodwin	excused	Carol Skiba	present
Lanny Griffith	present	Cathy Smyles	excused
David Gunter	present	J.W. Wilson	absent
David Hill	present	Larry Hayward, pastor	present
Brian Laubscher	present	Karen Blomberg, as. pastor	present
Robin McFarland	present	Patrick Hunnicutt, as. pastor	present
Meredith Mitchell	absent	Casey FitzGerald, as. pastor	on leave
David Moser	present	Paul Van de Water, clerk	present
Stephen Moss	excused	Carolyn Fraser, vice clerk	present

Also present were Steve Denne, Christine Eustus, Terry Grindstaff, Nancy Hall Berens, Laura Kopp, and Betsy Smith.

CLERK'S REPORT

Carolyn Fraser circulated the prayer partners basket. Paul Van de Water delivered the clerk's report, as follows.

Installation as Elder: **Linc Cummings** (class of 2010) at the 10:00 service on May 25, 2008.

Homebound Communion: On May 18, 2008, Communion was taken to Cindy Adams, Millie Altman, Helen Lamkin, Marge Smith, Russell Smith, Erma Wallis, and Walter Wendt by Deacons Leigh Dunlap, Bill Eckert, Martha Girard, Elizabeth Martineau, Janet Riksen, Ron Shoemaker, Barbara Wyman, and Lisa Zickar.

Baptisms: **Madeleine Emilia Ahrens**, born September 13, 2007, daughter of Michelle Magrans (member) and Michael Ahrens (non-member), at the 8:30 a.m. service on May 4, 2008, the Rev. Patrick Hunnicutt officiating.

Chase Biliouris, born November 23, 2007, son of Matthew and Alicia Biliouris (members), at the 11:00 service on May 4, 2008, the Rev. Larry Hayward officiating.

Deontré Antoine Sanders, born July 23, 1992, and **Elizabeth True Kotsch**, born December 30, 1992, at the 11:00 service on May 11, 2008, the Rev. Patrick Hunnicutt officiating.

Marriages: **Sean Davis Philips** and **Rianne Caitlyn McNair** (non-members), on May 10, 2008, in White Post, Virginia, the Rev. Karen Blomberg officiating.

Deaths: **Philip J. Luttrell** on April 16, 2008. The Rev. Larry Hayward performed at graveside service at Mt. Comfort Cemetery on May 7, 2008.

Ruth A. Cox Hammerbeck on May 9, 2008. The Rev. Larry Hayward participated in a memorial service at Goodwin House Alexandria on May 15, 2008.

CONSENT DOCKET

The Session approved the consent docket, as follows.

Motion to approve the minutes of the Session meetings of April 23, April 27, and May 18, 2008, and the congregational meeting of May 18, 2008.

Motion to accept all committee minutes and minutes of the Diaconate.

Motion to approve the following baptisms:

Sydney Marie Moss, born December 8, 2007, daughter of Stephen and Lindsay Moss, on June 29, 2008,

Amelia Anne Lutz, born August 28, 2007, daughter of Jonathan D. and Mary Jacqueline Quast Lutz, on July 6, 2008,

Wyn McCarthy Cardwell, born August 21, 2007, son of Tim and Paige Cardwell, on July 27, 2008,

William James FitzGerald, born April 18, 2008, son of James Fitzgerald (non-member) and the Rev. Catherine W. FitzGerald (associate pastor), on September 7, 2008, and

Abby Elizabeth Cupples, born June 20, 2005, and **Finn Thomas Cupples**, born May 15, 2007, children of Kerri Suzanne Cupples (member) and Matthew Thomas Cupples (non-member), on October 12, 2008.

Motion to dismiss the following members to other churches:

Betty Groff (#1924—inactive) to Duck United Methodist Church, Duck, NC.

Anne Alexander (#1807) to Trinity United Methodist Church, Alexandria, VA.

Motion to approve participating in the Bread for the World letter-writing campaign on June 22, 2008.

SPECIAL REPORTS

Upon recommendation of the New Member and Assimilation Committee, the Session received a new member.

MC: That the Session receive into membership **Christine Eustus** by transfer of letter from Old Presbyterian Meeting House, and that she be presented to the congregation to declare publicly her intention to participate in the worship and mission of the church and to be welcomed into the life of the congregation and commissioned for service as member.

The Session decided not to hold a stated monthly meeting in August.

Laura Kopp presented the report from the Diaconate.

Steve Denne and Melynda Wilcox presented an interim report from the task force on Evisoning Westminster's Future. The interim report identifies the clusters of

questions on which the task force will focus its work. Several members of the Session encouraged the task force to focus on a small number of questions, as specified in the task force's charter.

David Roden reported on the May 27 meeting of Presbytery.

Terry Grindstaff presented the treasurer's report.

2008 Year-to-Date through April

Operating income	\$ 460,539 (including budgeted carryover)
Operating expenses	501,656
Net income	- 41,117

Assets

Operating	\$ 355,108
Foundation	1,030,181
Capital Campaign	- 846,930

MC: To accept the treasurer's report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

On behalf of the Administration and Finance Committee, David Hill reported on the annual review of the church's insurance coverage. Lanny Griffith presented the report of the annual financial review for 2007. The Book of Order requires both of these reports.

MC: To accept the committee's review and finding that the church's property and liability insurance coverage is adequate and in force.

MC: To accept and approve the recently completed review of Westminster's financial records, finding no material weaknesses.

The Session voted to expressed its appreciation and thanks to the financial review committee: Diane French, Molly North, Molly Roden, and Barbara Studenmund.

On behalf of the Christian Education Committee, Elizabeth O'Brien proposed that the church renew its sponsorship of the Reformed Institute.

MC: To continue Westminster's sponsorship of the Reformed Institute of Metropolitan Washington through 2013, with financial support of \$4,500 per year.

The Session also received reports from other committee chairs or vice chairs. After general announcements, Elder Lanny Griffith closed the meeting with prayer. The moderator adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul N. Van de Water, Clerk of Session