

**MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2023**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF SESSION**

On Monday, April 17, 2023 the 645<sup>th</sup> regular meeting of Session of Westminster Presbyterian Church was held in Galbreath Chapel at Westminster Presbyterian Church. Dr. Forrest was the Moderator and opened the meeting with prayer at 7:10 p.m.

Attending were Dr. Forrest and Elders Berrott, Davis, Eccher, Exley, Heilman, Jenkins, Locke, Ludwig, Malarkey, Page, Ralston, Rost, Waller, and Williams, constituting a quorum. Sue Davis and Beth Ketterman attended on behalf of the Community Engagement Commission to present the newest membership class. Rev. Ann Morris, Parish Associate and Ed Sutter, Sr. Director of Christian Education also attended.

**INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

Prior to the business meeting of Session, Sue Davis introduced 13 of the new members (from the class of 15) who will be joining the Congregation at services on April 23, 2023. The new members gave a brief personal history and their reasons for joining Westminster. Members of Session introduced themselves and briefly discussed their reasons for choosing Westminster and their activities and responsibilities. Following the introductions, a motion was made, seconded and approved to welcome each of the 15 new members to the Congregation.

**REPORT OF THE CLERK**

A motion to approve the minutes of the 645<sup>th</sup> (April 17, 2023) regular meeting of Session was made, seconded and approved. A motion to approve the membership action reported below also was made, seconded, and approved.

**BAPTISMS**

**April 16, 2023**

Eleanor Dee Wilkinson  
Amelia Joye Wilkinson

Parents: Stefani and Micah Wilkinson

**DEATHS**

Harry C. Wells, April 2023

## **MEMBERSHIP**

2711

### **Inactive, Letter of Transfer**

Margaret Maloney, moved to Southlake, TX

### **New Members**

James Carmichael, Letter of Transfer

Thomas Few, Reaffirmation

James Jones

Alexandra Jones

Mathew Kitka

Brittany Kitka

Steven Leppo

Christian Moore, Letter of Transfer

Emily Moore, Reaffirmation

Nancy Nunley, Letter of Transfer

Neal Stoczynski, Letter of Transfer

Rebecca Stoczynski, Letter of Transfer

Billy Thomas, Letter of Transfer

Pamela Thomas, Letter of Transfer

Danielle Valicenti, Profession of Faith

## **SERVICE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

During worship services on Sunday April 30, 2023 and Sunday May 7, 2023, the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered to communicants.

## **BUSINESS ITEMS**

### **Introduction of Parish Associate**

Dr. Forrest formally introduced Rev. Ann Morris, the new Parrish Associate. Rev. Morris provided a summary of her professional background and of her history with Westminster. She stated that she has a special interest in providing pastoral care and is delighted to have the opportunity to minister in that role to the members of Westminster.

## **Report and Recommendations Regarding Sunday Morning Schedules**

Ed Sutter, Sr. Director of Christian Education, reported on the deliberations and conclusions of the ad hoc committee that has evaluated the current Sunday morning worship schedule. Ed advised that the group recommended that no changes be made in the worship schedule. They concluded that a change in the number of services would disenfranchise members who rely on the current offerings. The committee recommends expanding opportunities for small group fellowship beyond Sunday worship services.

## **Commission Reports and Actions**

The following Commissions submitted written reports prior to the meeting:

Adult Spiritual Development  
Children's and Family Ministries/WECEP  
Finance  
Outreach  
Personnel  
Stewardship  
Youth Ministry

In addition to the written report, Elder Eccher reported on behalf of the Finance Commission that the Commission is working to enhance the reporting of financial information to the Congregation. He stated that the Commission will begin a program of e-mailing to members a quarterly report that will include a narrative budget.

Elder Malarkey, on behalf of the Youth Commission, stated that the energy in the youth programs is contagious. He commended Ed Sutter and Becky Boyer for their work and dedication to Westminster's youth.

## **SENIOR PASTOR'S REPORT**

Dr. Forrest reported that more than 900 people attended Easter worship services. She also stated that the joint worship service on April 16 was well-attended and generated positive responses from members who attend each of the regular services. The practice of having a joint service in each new liturgical season, followed by a luncheon will continue. The next joint service will be a celebration of Pentecost on June 4.

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

Meeting participants shared individual joys and concerns for the Church, its members and their families, and for the community.

**ADJOURNMENT WITH PRAYER**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. with prayer led by Dr. Forrest. The next meeting of Session will be held on May 15, 2023 in Galbreath Chapel.

Respectfully submitted,

William C. Ludwig  
Clerk of Session

Approved: