

Session Highlights*

The session of PFPC met on Wednesday, May 6, 2015 in the Madeline Carswell room of the Educational Wing. Ten of twelve ruling elders were in attendance. The meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m. Supper provided by Ellen Davis, Jane Van Dyke and Patty Robinson preceded the meeting, all three serving in the absence of Sandy Breeden, absent caring for her husband, Fred.

Subjects discussed were:

- Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with prayer reflecting on the Scripture, “The seed is the word of God.” Luke 8:11 (NRSV)
- The meeting was preceded by the Presbytery of the James’ Triennial Visit, conducted by Rev. Cheryl Sumner. It has been almost nine years since the last visit.
- Approved the “Consent Agenda” for the evening, withdrawing the Pastor’s Report for further discussion. Approvals included:
 - approval of minutes from April 1st stated session meeting;
 - approved New Member Sunday, July 12;
 - approved proceeding with various inquiries on membership from visitors;
 - approved placement of container for canned food donations to continue an early activity;
 - approved presentation of Youth Sunday Bibles to graduating high school seniors Aaron Ballou and James Weaver, at the 11 am worship on Mother’s Day, May 10;
 - approved curriculum change for adult Mary Minter Sunday School to Union Gospel Press Uniform Series, used by the Good Fellowship class for 20+ years
- Commissioned the record at 230 members, no change from April.
- Approved pastor’s absence on Sunday, May 31, to celebrate the 30th wedding anniversary (June 1).
- Reviewed the 2015 Action Register.
- Received 2014 financial review from Planning & Finance. The church is in good financial standing.
- Received an update from Planning & Finance on the review of our insurance policy with Church Mutual, and a quote from another insurer, Brotherhood Insurance.
- Received an update from Buildings & Grounds on the lawn care and leasing opportunities on the Pocahontas Trail Property. The same company that cares for the church lawn will begin mowing PTP.
- Approved moving the July 1 stated session meeting to the home of Joe & Connie Bryan.
- Tabled until the June 3 stated meeting the election of two commissioners to the June 16 stated meeting of the POJ, a half-day meeting in Ashland, VA.
- Reviewed the 2015 Planning Calendar:
 - Reminded of the Session Retreat Revisit scheduled to immediately follow worship on 6/7
- Received Sunshine Nursery Schools May 2015 newsletter.
- Meeting adjourned with prayer including concerns for: the Hodges family and the 1st anniversary of the loss of their parents; Barbara Jean Haygood and her persistent high temperature; and Jean Claude Bergerard, who has been brought home to be comforted and receive hospice care.
- All this and more in Jesus Christ our Lord!

The next stated meeting of the session is on Wednesday, June 3, 2015 at 7pm at PFPC in the Madeline Carswell room in the Educational Wing. Supper will be provided by Dave Gardy at 6pm.

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