NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STATED SESSION MEETING

June 27, 2018

I. The Session of the Northminster Presbyterian Church of Sarasota, Florida, held a stated meeting on June 27, 2018. The meeting was called to order in the Library at 6:45 P.M. by the Moderator Pastor Wally Johnson who opened the meeting with prayer and shared a devotion based on the E-100 Reading on Gideon.

II. A quorum was established:

<u>THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT</u>: Moderator – Pastor Wally Johnson Ruling Elders – Jim Christie, Mark Goslin, Sally Kirby, Dick McGuire Betty Miller, Bob Price, Bob Silver and Valerie Wilde.

EXCUSED: Al Eckes, Ron Myers

III. The Agenda was approved subject to necessary changes.

Bob Silver made a motion which was properly seconded to approve the agenda as amended. The motion passed.

IV. PASTOR'S REPORT: (May, 2018)

- 1. Participated in a Clergy Cohort Group in Sarasota
- 2. Attended a meeting of the Sarasota Ministerial Alliance
- 3. Led and finished Tuesday Bible Study
- **4.** Chairing the Blessing Grants Task Force for Peace River Presbytery
- **5.** Serving on the Planning Committee for PRP and Cuba Task Force
- **6.** Visits 16
- **7.** 2 Counseling Sessions
- **8.** Took 1 day of vacation (7 for the year so far)
- 9. ROMEO
- 10. Hurricane Preparedness Workshop
- 11. Reviewed and discussed an attendance graph

Upcoming Dates to note:

June 15-22 GA (gone June 17, preaching Ron Miller) Aug. 7-14 – taking vacation. Ray Davies preaching Betty Miller made a motion which was properly seconded to approve the Pastor's report. The motion passed.

- VI. <u>OMNIBUS MOTION</u>: A motion was made by Bob Price and properly seconded, to approve Item VI. A.-C. as set forth in the Omnibus Motion. The motion passed.
 - **A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**: Stated Session Meeting May 16, 2018 and Called Session Meeting June 10, 2018

B. APPROVAL OF THE COMMISSIONERS REPORT OF THE PEACE RIVER PRESBYTERY WTATED MEETING, MAY 17, 2018 – Valerie Wilde

- 1. The Presbytery Meeting was held at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Northport, Florida. Attending from Northminster were Pastor Wally Johnson, Commissioners Sally Kirby and Valerie Wilde and Ron Myers from Outreach and Marketing.
- 2. The meeting was opened in Prayer by the Moderator Charmaine Ponkratz.
- 3. The Keynote Speaker was Rev. Henry Brinton from Fairfax Presbyterian Church in Fairfax, Virginia. His theme was "Compassionate and Inclusive Outreach", Rev. Brinton Assisted in Serving The Lords Supper along with Rev. Ray Quiles pastor of St. Paul's.
- 4. The Commissioners to the $2018-223^{\rm rd}$ General Assembly Commission to be held in St. Louis this summer were introduced and duly commissioned.
- 5. Presbyter Graham Hart, after 17 years, gave notice of his retirement scheduled for early 2019 The Presbytery will appoint a committee to serve on finding his replacement. They are using the Adaptive Transition model which was first used in our search for Pastor Wally Johnson. General Presbyter Graham Hart spoke on his 17 years of service and what they meant to him.
- 6. The offering taken during the Worship Service was \$1,183.00 which was designated for Mission Peniel.
- 7. With no Unfinished Business the meeting was closed in Prayer, Benediction and Adjournment by Moderator Charmaine Ponkratz.

C. APPROVAL OF A COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. OUTREACH & MARKETING - Ron Myers

- a. The average attendance for the first 23 weeks of 2018 is 163 compared to 185 for 2017. The total attendance for 2018 is 3129 compared to 3501 in 2017.
- b. The New Mover mailers totaled 115 for May. The follow up letter from Pastor Wally has been sent to the individuals from the April and May lists. The target date to mail the follow up letter is the last Thursday of each month.
- c. There were no updates on the printed media programs. The scheduled programs will be implemented in the Fall. Oakwood Manor Mobile Home Park will be added to the advertising program.
- d. Sally will contact Bonnie Reeves to determine her interest in serving on the Committee.
- e. Cora Lee Cain will be contacted to determine her interest in planning NPC 60th
- f. The Day of Hope Program will be held at the First United Church July 28 and at Church of the Palms 7/21. Volunteers will participate in both programs. A total of 425 children will benefit from this program.
- g. Pastor Wally will be offering some informal events in a effort to involve a younger demographic.

2. Clerk of Session Report – Sally Kirby

VII. REPORTS SET ASIDE FOR DISCUSSION:

A. Treasurer's Report – Harry Wilde and Bob Silver

1. Operating Fund

	<u>May 2018</u>	Year to Date 2018
Income	\$21,100.10	\$130,581.66
Expense	\$30,417.28	\$151,742.92
Net Income	\$ -9,317.18	\$ -21,161.26

2. Operating Fund Balance

Iberia Bank \$48,469.52

PILP Money Market \$22,715.85 \$71,185.37

3. Capital Campaign Fund Balance

Scott Trade \$ 100.04 PILP Money Market \$30,136.70 \$30,236.74

4. Mortgage Balance as of June 11, 2018: \$265,965.18

Required Monthly Payment: \$2,184.74 Breakdown: Principle \$1,304.40

Interest \$ 880.34

Revised Payment Estimate: \$2,184.74

Interest Rate: 3.9720

B. Finance Committee Report - Bob Price and Bob Silver

- 1. Operating Fund: Both our pledging and non-pledge giving continue to be lower than we budgeted for. Our total, through May, is down more than \$25,000.00. There have been some unexpected expenses; however, we will be reaching out to everyone to stay current on their pledges.
- 2. Mortgage Balance: We are making great progress on paying this down. We now owe only \$267,265.00 through May. Also, we will be getting a 1% rebate on our payments because of many people who invested in the Presbytery Saving & Loan program. It moved up from 34% to 1% starting in May.

Mark Goslin made a motion which was properly seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report and the Finance Committee report. The motion passed.

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C. Clerk of Session Report – Sally Kirby

1. At the request of the Clerk of Session Bob Silver made a motion_which was_ properly seconded to remove from our Active Rolls John Gale and Elisabeth Stevens who have gone to the church triumphant. The motion passed and Pastor Wally led the Session in prayer.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. The proposed Disaster Plan was discussed.

Valerie Wilde made a motion which was properly seconded to approve the proposed Disaster Plan. The motion passed.

IX. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

A. At the request of Tom Latimer Jim Christie made a motion which was properly seconded to accept his resignation as Ruling Elder on the Session of Northminster Presbyterian Church. The motion passed.

The members of Session were reminded to keep Tom and Debbie in their prayers.

- B. Day4Hope Offering: Betty Miller made a motion which was properly seconded that Northminster have a special offering for the Day4Hope.

 The motion passed.
- C. Public House Partnership

Valerie Wilde made a motion which was properly seconded that Northminster acknowledge the generosity of the Public House program to reimburse Northminster 10% of the meal checks of our members and friends..

The motion passed.

D. Baptism Request:

Bob Silver made a motion which was properly seconded to approve that the son, Joandiel, of Ryan and Jashira Swalls be baptized in Northminster Presbyterian Church pending further pastoral conversations with Pastor Wally. The motion passed.

There being no further business to come	before the Session	the meeting was	adjourned
with prayer led by Pastor Wally at 7:42 F	P.M.		

Pastor Wally Johnson, Moderator	Sally A. Kirby, Clerk of Session