

“What’s In Session” April Session Report

Your session had two meetings in April. The first meeting on Sunday, April 24, was a Called Session Meeting at 9:30am in order to examine and approve for membership the Confirmation Class of 2022. This is one of the most enjoyable session meetings that the elders have each year. This year there were eleven confirmands who discussed their Statements of Faith, their love for church, and their aspirations for the future. These newest members of St.

Andrews-Covenant Presbyterian Church are Kaitlyn Nicole Fankboner, Madison Kendall Fankboner, Abigail Grace Holder, William Stratford Butner, William Robert Cherry IV, Walker David Heidenreich, Cleve Daniel Nordeen, Patrick Michael McWilliams, Collin Thomas Parks, Matthew Myung Pierson, and Ryan Hyun Pierson. Next time you see them, please welcome them, love them, lead them and consider asking them to join your group!

The session’s Stated Meeting was the following night, April 25 at 6:30pm. Each month your session strives to educate itself in ways to help individuals to be inspired to be in relationship with Jesus Christ, to love one another, and to be faithfully present in our community. This month we invited Kendra and Andy Harrison to share their family’s SACPC story. Jerrod Lowry, General Presbyter of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina, was also a guest for our Called April meeting. The congregation is always welcome to join the meetings as well!

As a part of the Consent Agenda, the session approved a request by staff for changes in our worship schedule. Beginning the first Sunday in June, we will begin our “summer” schedule with one service at 9:30 am which will reflect elements of both our traditional and contemporary worship services. Beginning the Sunday after Labor Day, the 9:30 am remains in place and becomes the full contemporary service and the 11:00 am traditional service resumes.

There was much discussion centered around several topics. Dialogue with Jerrod regarding the Presbytery’s concerns over Policy Governance and its potential impact on PNC work was at the forefront. An update from the ad-hoc Auxano committee reminded session members of the importance of keeping Auxano’s mission statement as a focus for our work and for members of SACPC. Revitalizing small groups and ensuring a robust experience for our children and youth are essential to the future of our church and are doable short term goals. The session celebrated our new confirmands and are planning to connect with SACPC youth by serving them a meal at one of their upcoming Wednesday night meetings. In addition to the above, Catheryn Thomas, representing the sanctuary remodel team, presented to the session a proposal to remodel and update the sanctuary. The session voted for the Sanctuary Team to continue their

work and to begin to collect formal proposals. The session also voted to renew Rev. Dr. Robert Bayley's contract for the term of one year. This contract may be reviewed every 90 days.

The next Stated Session Meeting is Monday, May 23 at 6:30 pm in the church dining room. You are always welcome to attend. Please continue to pray for our staff, our session and diaconate, our pastor nominating committee and our church family. As always, if you have comments, suggestions or questions, please contact any session or diaconate member directly or send an email to session@sacpc.org.

Session

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