What's In Session? March 2024 Report

Chris Johnston offered the opening devotion and prayer based on the Beatitudes.

Jen Phelps introduced this year's Confirmands and explained the confirmation process. Elders shared why confirmands are important people in our congregation and are looking forward to examining each student on April 28th, Confirmation Sunday.

SACPC's Policy and Governance document is reviewed regularly by Session for ways to improve it and make it more specific to our church; thus, it is a living, breathing structure. Session looks for possible improvements and we monitor our adherence to the agreed-upon policies. We modified and simplified the introduction to our Ends Policy and added two policies: annual election of an Assistant Clerk of Session and a formal monitoring process (possible scenarios presented to Elders for discussion).

Four baptisms were approved for late March and during April.

Session members volunteered to be Holy Week worship readers.

The Finance Committee presented proposals for the replacement of the church HVAC system from an antiquated and unreliable water-based system to an air-based one. There will be a significant improvement in operating consistency and cost of operation. The motion to proceed was unanimously approved by Session. To fund this extensive work, the Finance Committee, with approval by Session, will seek to acquire bank financing. This motion was also unanimously approved. Session is encouraged to think about other changes to the sanctuary which may be prudent to do during HVAC work.

Work on Brown Hall upgrades continues.

Paige Williams is chairing the Preschool Director search.

The meeting was closed with prayer concerns and prayer.