

## Presbytery of Redstone May 28, 2024

### CALL TO ORDER

As the Presbytery gathered, we watched “On The Road with Redstone” video was shown about Pleasant View Presbyterian Church, Smock. Following the video, the ecclesiastical and corporate meeting of the Presbytery of Redstone was called to order at 6: 12 PM on Tuesday, May 28, 2024 at Pleasant View Presbyterian Church, Smock and via Zoom. The meeting was opened in prayer by Elder Len Morgan, Moderator of Redstone Presbytery. He announced that items of new business must be presented to the Associate Stated Clerk in writing (or through chat on Zoom) before the end of worship. The Moderator provided some instructions for the Zoom participants of the meeting, and he reminded those in attendance to come to the microphones to speak.

### FORMATION OF THE ROLL

The Associate Stated Clerk, Rev. Cliff Foster, attested to the fact that a quorum was present in order to conduct the business of the meeting.

<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>MINISTERS</u>	<u>ELDERS</u>
	Skip Noftzger, EP	
	Sue Washburn, MAL	
	Ptrick Ewing, MAL	
	Donna Havrisko, HR	
	Sylvia Carlson, HR	
	Gary Filson, HR	
	Susan Blank, HR	
	Jim Farrer, HR	
	Lee McDermott, HR	
	Norma Murphy, NRHR	
Adah, Palmer Community	Nick Beatty, TS	Daniel Stalwaker
Apollo, Poke Run		Valerie Hanson
Avonmore, First	Lynn Mance, CP	
Belle Vernon, First	Mary Kay Glunt	Sharon Zunic
Belle Vernon, Harmony		
Belle Vernon, Marion		
Belle Vernon, Rehoboth	Donald Glunt	
Bolivar, United		
Boswell, Covenant		
Brownsville, Calvin		
Brownsville, Ft. Burd		
Brownsville, Hopewell		
Colver		
Cresson		
Dawson, Tyrone		
Delmont	Tony Catullo	
Derry		
Dunbar, First		
Dunbar, Laurel Hill		Margaret Gilchrist

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Ebensburg, First		Martha O'Brien
Fairchance		
Farmington, Mt. Washington		
Fayette City, Little Redstone	John Scully, CP	Audrey Cottle
Greensburg, First	Martin Anrkum	Robin Jennings
Greensburg, Maplewood	Steve LaSor	Joe McNamara
Greensburg, Westminster	Jenn Frayer-Griggs	Jackie Eckenrodd
Irwin, First		
Irwin, West Hempfield	Andrew Wirt	Helen Toms
Jeannette	Dawn Sherwood	Lucy Bittner
Johnstown, Bethany		
Johnstown, First	Hyiwot Teshome	
Johnstown, Second		
Johnstown, Westmont	Ben Nti	Deb Lichtenfels Bernice Adams Dave Thomson
Lake Lynn, Springhill Furn.	Molly Hall	
Latrobe	Derek Campbell	
Latrobe, United		Scott Cole
Leisenring		
Ligonier, Pleasant Grove		
Lower Burrell, Grace	Owar Ojulu	
Lower Burrell, Puckety	Brian Kilbert	Mick Dober Matt Wehrle
Masontown		
McClellandtown	Rebecca Abbott	Robin Carr
Merrittstown, Dunlap's Creek		
Mt. Pleasant, Reunion	Russ Baird, CP	
Murrysville, First	Ed Gray	Keith Langston
Murrysville, Newlonsburg	Curts Paul Travis Webster	Susan Keaney Amanda Neely
Murrysville, Union		
New Alexandria, Community	Len Morgan, CP	
New Alexandria, Congruity	Cliff Foster	Sara Beth Stopansky
New Florence, Bethel		Janie Short
New Florence, Trinity	Sara Sadler	
New Kensington, United		
New Salem	Bill Wiegand, CP	Meg Radolic
N. Huntingdon, New Hope	Brenda Barnes	Shawn Dandoy
Patton		
Revloc		
Scottdale, Calvin	Doug Yauger, CP	
Smithfield, Grace Chapel		Shirley Crumrine
Smock, Pleasant View	Laura Blank	Pam Higinbotham
Trafford, Level Green	Geoff Rach	

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Uniontown, Tent		
Uniontown, Trinity	John Simpson, IP	Richard McCoy Linda Ford
Vanderbilt, E. Liberty		
West Newton, Sewickley		
West Newton, Sewickley U.		
West Newton, United	John Manon	Jeff Martini
Notation:	(*) = pastor from another denomination (#) = pastor from another presbytery (**) = pastor or CP serving more than one church EP=Executive Presbyter	CP=commissioned pastor IP=interim pastor CovP=covenant pastor MAL=Member-at-Large HR=Honorably Retired NRHR=Non-resident Honorably Retired TS=Temporary Supply

**By Virtue of Office:** John Dickson, Treasurer

**Visitors:** Karen, Gray, Presbytery Staff, Cindy Keener, Grace Chapel, Don Keener, Grace Chapel, Kurt Shirey, Poke Run, Patty Herring, Bobbie Joe Huebner, First Belle Vernon, Regina Sturiale, Grace Chapel

**Teaching Elders Excused:** Armstrong; Buell; Cadenhead, B.; Cadenhead, C.; Cahn; Carnahan; Chow; Corey; Degitz; Giese; Graff; Hepler; Hess; Holben; Jalso; Keith; Kerr; King; Klein; Lewis; Lighthall; Lloyd; Macaleer; Mason; Maxwell; McClure; Morrow; Murray; Orr; Pressler; Stevens; Stobaugh; Sweeney; Upton; Van Wyk

**Teaching Elders Absent:**

**Commissioned Ruling Elders Excused:**

**Commissioned Ruling Elders Absent:**

### **ADOPTION OF THE DOCKET**

It was **MSP** to approve the docket as presented by the Associate Stated Clerk. The docket was approved **by consent**.

### **SEATING OF CORRESPONDING MEMBERS AND INTRODUCTION OF OTHER VISITORS**

The Associate Stated Clerk, Rev. Cliff Foster, moved that Rev. Forrest Claassen, Synod of the Trinity Executive and member of Pittsburgh Presbytery and Rev. Michael Shepherd, member of Western North Carolina Presbytery be seated as Corresponding members. It was **MSP** to seat these corresponding members.

The Associate Stated Clerk, Rev. Cliff Foster, moved that Regina Sturiale, Candidate under the care of Kiski Presbytery be given Privilege of the Floor for this meeting. It was **MSP** to approve this motion.

Elder Len Morgan, Moderator, invited those who were attending a presbytery meeting as an elder commissioner for the first time to stand to be introduced. On behalf of the Presbytery, the Moderator welcomed each of the first-time presbyters.

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### STATED CLERK'S REPORT

The Rev. Skip Noftzger presented the Stated Clerk's report. Skip called attention to the Correspondence Log and the information about representation. He also called attention to the 2025 Presbytery Meeting and the Presbytery is looking for hosts for these meetings. He thanked Pleasant View for their hospitality.

#### Report of the Stated Clerk:

1. Correspondence Log:
  - a. During the period since the last regularly stated Presbytery meeting, all correspondence that was received was responded to and/or appropriately routed for review and response to the appropriate entity of Presbytery.
2. Committee on Representation Annual Report - 12/31/2023

Standing Committees	# Members	Gender	Age	TE/RE	Ethnicity
Council	15	8-M; 7-F	0-(16-25); 0-(26-35); 4-(36-50); 6-(51-65); 5-(66+)	7-TE; 8-RE	14-W 1-AA
Nominating	3	2-M; 1-F	0-(16-25); 0-(26-35); 0-(36-50); 1-(51-65); 2-(66+)	1-TE; 2-RE	3-W
Preparation for Ministry (CPM)	9	5-M; 5-F	0-(16-25); 0-(26-35); 3-(36-50); 5-(51-65); 1-(66+)	4-TE; 5-RE	8-W 1-AA
Committee on Ministry (COM)	23	12-M; 11-F	0-(16-25); 0-(26-35); 4-(36-50); 13-(51-65); 6-(66+)	11-TE; 12-RE	21-W 1-AA
Representation	2	0-M; 2-F	0-(16-25); 0-(26-35); 1-(36-50); 0-(51-65); 1-(66+)	1-TE; 1-RE;	1-W 1-NA
Pine Springs Board	6	3-M; 3-F	0-(16-25); 0-(26-35); 2-(36-50); 2-(51-65); 2-(66+)	3-TE; 3-RE;	5-W 1-AA
Permanent Judicial Commission	9	4-M; 5-F	0-(16-25); 0-(26-35); 1-(36-50);	5-TE; 4-RE	9-W

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<b>Committee Summary (duplicated)</b>	67	34-M; 33-F	2-(51-65); 6-(66+) 0-(16-25); 0-(26-35); 14-(36-50); 29-(51-65); 24-(66+)	32-TE; 35-RE;	63-W 3-AA 1-NA
<b>Council Sub-Committees/Networks</b>	<b># Members</b>	<b>Gender</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>TE/RE</b>	<b>Ethnicity</b>
Budget and Finance	5	4-M; 1-F	0-(16-25); 0-(26-35); 0-(36-50); 1-(51-65); 4-(66+)	5-RE;	5-W
Mission	8	4-M; 4-F	0-(16-25); 0-(26-35); 2-(36-50); 2-(51-65); 4-(66+)	5-TE; 3-RE	7-W 2-AA
Staff Support	4	3-M; 1-F	0-(16-25); 0-(26-35); 0-(36-50); 2-(51-65); 2-(66+)	1-TE; 3-RE	4-W
Racial Justice and Reconciliation	6	3-M; 4-F	0-(16-25); 0-(26-35); 2-(36-50); 3-(51-65); 1-(66+)	5-TE; 1-RE	7-W
Addictions Ministry	8	3-M; 5-F	0-(16-25); 0-(26-35); 2-(36-50); 2-(51-65); 04-(66+)	3-TE; 5-RE	8-W
Worship	3	1-M; 2-F	0-(16-25); 0-(26-35); 1-(36-50); 0-(51-65); 2-(66+)	3-TE; 1-RE	3-W
<b>GRAND TOTALS (duplicated)</b>	103	52-M; 51-F	0-(16-25); 1-(26-35); 21-(36-50); 42-(51-65); 39-(66+)	48-TE; 53-RE;	97-W 7-AA 1-NA

### Observations and Recommendations:

- The Racial-Ethnic membership of the churches of the Presbytery equals approximately 1% of the total membership. Among those who are ordained as Ruling Elders, the percentage is even smaller. So, while there is a need for greater diversity in congregational leadership which serves as the “pool” for potential presbytery leadership progress has been made with presbytery committees and structures. Our commitment remains to increase the representation of all members of the body of Christ; but without those steps, options for increasing racial-ethnic participation in Presbytery will remain limited.

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- The Teaching Elder – Ruling Elder ratios are roughly equal within the standing committees of the presbytery where it is required. Some imbalance exists within networks and subcommittees which is largely driven by the engagement in these groups is based upon personal initiative and interest.
- Gender ratios are balanced among individual committees and only remain slightly unbalanced in the aggregate resulting from the odd number of participants in some of the committees.
- This addresses and an imbalance that was present in the previous year a result of mid-term resignations.
- Overall, the report continues to be balanced with progress being made in racial-ethnic, gender and ruling elder status among some of the committees being sustained or improved. There remains a need to attract and nominate ruling and teaching elders in our younger age categories. This information is being related to the Nominating Committee with encouragement for their work and to continue to address any inequities identified within committees wherever possible.

Council has approved and is publishing the following meeting dates for 2025. January 25, 2025

- March 25, 2025
- May 27, 2025
- September 23, 2025
- November 22, 2025

If your church is interested in serving as a host for any one of those meetings, please contact Rev. Skip Noftzger to make the request of the Council.

### CONSENT AGENDA:

The Associate Stated Clerk of the Presbytery, Rev. Cliff Foster, presented the following Consent Agenda:

#### From Executive Committee

1. Following the review of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Stated Clerk and Associate Stated Clerk, it is **recommended** that the minutes of the Presbytery meeting of the March 28, 2024 be approved.

#### From the Council

1. Council **recommends** that the Financial Reports presented to the Council and the Presbytery be received and filed for audit. See **Appendix A**.
2. Council **recommends** that reports of the Stated Clerk and Associate Stated Clerk be received and filed.
3. Council **recommends** that any Executive Presbyter, Treasurer, Mission, Pine Springs Camp and Synod commissioner reports presented to the Presbytery be received and filed.

#### From the Committee on Ministry

1. The Committee on Ministry **recommends** that Presbytery grant the request from the United Presbyterian Church of New Kensington to waive the rotation of service for Julia Yockey and Mark Bondra, Ruling Elders and Kathryn Whitacre and Karen Grillo, Deacons.

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2. The Committee on Ministry **recommends** that Presbytery grant the request from the First Presbyterian Church of Dunbar to waive the rotation of service for Stacy Pugh and Cynthia Robbins, Ruling Elder.

### From the Committee on Representation

1. Committee on Representation **recommends** that the annual report on representation be received, filed, and directed to the Nominating Committee.

### From the Fayette City Administrative Commission

1. The First Presbyterian Church, Fayette City Administrative Commission **recommends** the report of their meeting as submitted in this packet be received and filed.

**From the Tyrone Presbyterian Church Listening Team** No report.

It was **MSP** to approve the Consent Agenda.

## TREASURER AND FINANCIAL REPORTS

Elder John Dickson, IV presented the Treasurer's Report and Financial Reports. He also pointed out this was the report from the end of April, the fourth operating month of the year, items should be around 33% of Church commitments. Year to date the investments are still positive.

It was **MSP** to receive the Treasurer's Report by consent.

## REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE PRESBYTER

Rev. Richard "Skip" Noftzger, Executive Presbyter, noted his written report. He also reported that Skip began his report by talking about his friend Dick who recently died and recalled a sermon he once preached about hope called "Bob was a Nice Guy". He mentioned that tonight we will talk about who we should be as Presbytery today. There are opportunities that await us like the Wee Kirk Conference this fall and other things that will be promoted. Skip introduced Forrest Claassen, Synod of Trinity Executive. Skip bestowed a Redstone stole on Forest. Skip's report ended with the Soli Deo Gloria.

## WORSHIP

Worship was led by the following: Sandy Leichter provided the music; Mick Dober who led the Call to Worship; Matt Wehrle who led the Prayer of the Day; Chanel McBeth led the Prayer of Confession and the Assurance of Pardon; Rev. Forrest Claassen read 2 Timothy 1: 1-12 and preached the sermon, "Community of Hope". As part of the worship service our Commissioners to the 226<sup>th</sup> General Assembly: Ruling Elder Robin Jennings, Ruling Elder Jackie Eckenrod, Teaching Elder Brian Kilbert, and Teaching Elder Andrew Wirt. Moderator Len Morgan led the Commissioning Liturgy. Rev. Owar Ojulu led the Offering which will be going to support relief efforts in South Sudan Presbyterian Evangelical Church. The Offering can be given electronically and in the offering plate for those present at Pleasant View Presbyterian Church, Smock. He led the Offertory Prayer; Rev. Laura Blank presided at the Lord's Table; During communion members of the

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Healing Prayer Network were available to pray and anoint with oil with those who desired prayer and anointing.

## ACTION AGENDA

## COUNCIL REPORT

Rev. Dawn Sherwood, Chair of Presbytery Council, presented the following report and action items from the Council:

- **Anti-racism Policy**

In compliance with the Book of Order (G-0106), the Council endorses and recommends approval of the “Anti-racism policy” found in Appendix C of the meeting packet. Rev. Martin Ankrum presented the rationale for the anti-racism Policy and he spoke of the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ and the need for this policy. He reminded us of Calvin’s Three uses of the Law. It was **MSP** to approve the anti-racism Policy.

- Leadership Transition Taskforce and search process. Rev. Dawn Sherwood called attention to Skip’s Letter of his plan to retire at the end of 2024. A Leadership Transition team of Laura Blank, Scott Cole, Martin Ankrum and Mary Kay Glunt has been appointed by Council to facilitate the leadership transition.

## Healing Prayer Ministry Network

Norma Prina Murphy and Jim Farrer spoke about the Healing Praying Ministry Network. Norma pointed out that the group is to foster ways to pray for others and yourselves and to help people to pray. They have learned to keep their eyes open while praying to see the reaction of the one with whom they are praying. Jim Farrer and Donna Havrisko provided an illustration of praying with Lynn Mance as someone asking for prayer and being anointed with oil. Russ Baird presented another issue for prayer for someone he is taking care of and for anointing. Norma, Jim and Donna are available if anyone has any questions.

## Racial Justice and Reconciliation Network

Jenn Frayer- Griggs let the Presbytery know that the Racial Justice and Reconciliation Network is available as a resource. They have been doing a lot of work on “whiteness” and are available to help implement the “Anti-racial Policy” just passed. There will be a Reading Book Club throughout the summer months. The first book will be Night by Eli Weisel.

## Communications

Laura Blank thanked the Presbytery for filling out the survey at the last Presbytery meeting. They are looking for people with technical skills in Graphic Arts and other technological.

## Mission Committee of Council

Donna Havrisko presented the Mission Committee report. Owar Ojulu called attention to the report on page 36 of the Presbytery packet. He made mention to the Mission Fair at the September meeting and with our Mission partners to be present at the September Presbytery meeting. Donna Havrisko invited Patty Heron of Pleasant View, Smock to give a report of one of the mission projects of Pleasant View Presbyterian Church. She said that one of the challenges in a rural area is to find out who their neighbors are and how to reach out and to introduce themselves to their neighbors. In the fall they began “Loads of Love” at the local laundromat

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where they bring laundry detergent and lots of quarters. Clean clothes can be life changing. They have a container in the sanctuary to collect quarters. So far, they have been able to help 40 families and individuals with this project and have made connections within the community.

## Pine Spring Camp Report

Greg Davis was not able to be at the meeting. The written report of Pine Springs Camp is found on Page 37 of the Presbytery packet.

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### Moderator Report Presbytery Council Information Items (as published)

#### Moderator Report

No report from the Moderator.

#### Executive Presbyter Report

Executive Presbyter Noftzger reminded Council members about the Navigating the Future book. While the discussion was postponed, he mentioned the inclusion of key points as well as prompts for reflection and discussion in the meeting documents folder.

Having submitted his letter noting his plans for retirement as Executive Presbyter at the end of 2024, he asked the Council for acceptance of the letter. He also indicated his plans to notify churches and pastors the next few days before the information “leaked out.” It was MSP to receive and accept with gratitude retirement notice effective January 1, 2025.

Since discussion about any possible transition plans would take place later on the agenda under “new business,” Rev. Noftzger introduced Synod Executive Forrest Claassen. He was invited to the meeting to participate in that discussion as a resource to the Council as they considered leadership transitions and opportunities.

Rev. Noftzger provided some updates of pastoral concern within the Presbytery as well as reminders about important upcoming events.

#### Stated Clerk Report

- The Correspondence Log was included within the meeting documents folder.
- The Council was reminded of the Consent item approved since last meeting. The request from the Board to move forward with demolition of the “studio house” on the property was approved by consent.
- The schedule for the upcoming Council meeting dates (available in person at the Presbytery Center or by Zoom) included the following dates:
  - June 25
  - August 27
  - October 22
  - November 26

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- Rev. Noftzger highlighted the remaining opportunity for peer-review of the 2023 Session Minutes and Church Register. They include:
  - May 28--5:00 p.m. Presbytery, Pleasant View
- Based upon the pattern of the previous years, Rev. Noftzger proposed the following dates for 2025 Presbytery gatherings.

### Presbytery 2025 – Possible dates for Presbytery Gatherings

- January 25
- March 25
- May 27
- September 23
- November 22

Upon consideration by the Council, it was **MSP** to approve these dates for 2025.

- Reporting on behalf of the “Anti-Racism Policy task force,” Rev. Cliff Foster reviewed the process of developing drafts, soliciting feedback and making revisions. The policy draft was corrected for a typo. Upon review, it was **MSP** to recommend the policy as corrected to the Presbytery for approval.

### **Treasurer Report**

John Dickson had provided a Treasurer’s report based upon the March, 2024 Income/Expense Report and Balance sheet. All documents were including in the meeting documents folder.

### **Executive Director of Pine Springs Camp**

A written report was received from Greg Davis, Executive Director. He also reported on a number of current initiatives and needs for the upcoming summer season. These included support for the Golf outing, Work day and the completion of hiring of staff and recruiting volunteer nurses.

It was agreed to receive the reports **by consent** of the Moderator, Executive Presbyter, Stated Clerk, Treasurer, and Executive Director of PSC.

### **SubCommittees/Networks/Task Forces**

#### **Staff Support**

1. Thanksgiving was offered for the celebration of Administrative Assistant Bobbie Shaffor at the March Presbytery Gathering.
2. Even though the retirement of the Executive Presbyter has been announced, it was noted that annual staff reviews are in process.

### **Worship**

- Rev. Laura Blank reported that plans are underway for the liturgy for worship for the May Presbytery meeting. It was noted that we are hopeful to have a visitor from South Sudan Presbyterian Evangelical Church available to attend and preach at the September meeting.
- 2024 Plan for Worship at Presbytery Gatherings.
  - i. May – “Community of Hope” – Rev. Forrest Claassen
  - ii. September – “Community of Witness” – South Sudan Guest(?)
  - iii. November – “Community of Love” – Moderator Len Morgan

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### Mission Network

- The Redstone Presbytery mission trip will be leaving next week (April 28-May 4) in Charleston, WV.
- Throughout 2024, we are celebrating the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Sudan/South Sudan Presbyterian Evangelical Church Partnership.

The Sudan/South Sudan Mission Partnership Network annual gathering, originally

- scheduled for May has been postponed to September; Potentially one or more of South Sudanese visitors might be able to be present for September Presbytery gathering---ceremonial reauthorization of our Partnership Throughout the year, both in Presbytery gatherings and through other communications, congregations will be invited to join with us in celebrating the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our mission partnership with the Sudan and South Sudan Presbyterian Evangelical Churches.
- Council members were made aware of the potential Mission Fair as part of the September Presbytery meeting. Congregations with quilting groups are also encouraged to provide squares on mission projects of their congregation that will be put together in a quilt of shared mission.

### Finance and Property

- Having reviewed the request from the Calvin Presbyterian Church, Scottdale, the committee recommended approval and authorization for the sale of the manse to support the ongoing ministry of that congregation. It was MSP to approve this recommendation and authorize Calvin Presbyterian session to proceed with the process and possible sale.
- Tim D'Aurora reviewed for the Council the annual meeting of the Finance committee with the Presbytery financial advisor from Ameriprise. This included assurance of compliance with the Presbytery investment policy.

### Racial Justice and Reconciliation

- A written report was submitted. Rev. Brenda Barnes discussed upcoming opportunities both through a book club and the availability of other resources for consideration within congregations.

### Communications

- Rev. Washburn reported on a summary of the results of the communication survey conducted in conjunction with the March meeting. She noted the important use of the website for information and resources, but also identified other opportunities for connections in social media and use of texting. She also described efforts to increase the hospitality and quality of participation for those members participating by zoom in Presbytery gatherings.

### Addictions Ministry Network

- No report.

### May 2024 Presbytery Agenda

*The proposed agenda for the May Presbytery gathering was presented. After review and discussion with possible revisions, including Healing and Prayer Ministry, it was MSP to approve the submitted version.*

### Leadership Transition Discussion and Plans – Next Steps

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The Council met with Forrest Classen, Synod Executive to begin the discussion of options available to Redstone Presbytery during the leadership transition when our Executive Presbyter Skip Noftzger retires on December 31, 2024. The discussion revolved around several questions: What are the staffing designs for the next chapter in Redstone Presbytery? How long can we expect the process to take? What are some of the other leadership models that other Presbyteries in the Synod are utilizing?

Dawn Sherwood, Moderator of the Council appointed a subgroup/task force to begin discussing these questions and other options that may lead to a whole new approach to leadership in our Presbytery. Laura Blank and Scott Cole volunteered to be part of this subgroup/task force and the Council felt that someone from the Staff Support Committee (i.e. Martin Ankrum) and someone from COM (i.e. Donna Havrisko) should be part of this subgroup/task force. Laura Blank will contact Donna and Martin. It is hoped that this subgroup/ task force will have a preliminary report for the Council at its June Meeting and August Meeting. Forrest Classen will be available to assist this subgroup/task force and the Council.

### Adjournment

It was MSP to adjourn the meeting. The Meeting was closed with prayer.

### COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY REPORT

Rev. Donna Havrisko presented the COM report which is found on pages 38-42 of the Presbytery packet.

She drew our attention to the Board of Pensions updates and changes. There is a new policy from the Board of Pensions. There are three options on pages 40-41 of the Presbytery packet. There is a subcommittee of COM of Mary Kay Glunt, Martin Ankrum and Skip Noftzger working on the implantation of these changes.

The Presbytery proceeded with the Examination of Regina Sturiale, a candidate Kiski Presbytery to serve as Covenant Pastor for Grace Chapel Presbyterian Church, Smithfield. Regina began by telling the Presbytery about herself. In addition to serving Grace Chapel, she is a counselor at the Greene County Prison and is enrolled in a counseling program at Louisville Theological Seminary. Her Statement of Faith can be found in Appendix E. Regina read her Statement of Faith. Regina responded to questions about her Statement of Faith

It was MSP to cease the examination.

It was MSP approve the ordination, installation and reception of Regina Sturiale into Redstone Presbytery. Donna Havrisko led the Presbytery in prayer for Regina.

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### May 2, 2024, Meeting

#### Approval of Minutes

MSP to approve the March 7, 2024 minutes and April 4, 2024 minutes.

#### Board of Pensions Task Force – Rev. Martin Ankrum, Rev. Mary Kay Glunt, Rev. Skip Noftzger

- Draft is available on DropBox for review and comments for the Task Force prior to the June 6<sup>th</sup> COM meeting. The intent is to recommend the Minimum Expectations and Guidelines for Terms of Calls at the June 6<sup>th</sup> COM meeting.

#### Report of the Stated Clerk

The Stated Clerk updated the committee on the following items:

- Correspondence Log (Meeting Documents).
- Minutes Review Dates (25 churches out of 60 have completed their minutes review)
  - May 28; 5:00 p.m.; Pleasant View Presbyterian Church
  - Churches needing Minutes Review

Adah, Palmer	Dunbar	Leisenring	New Salem
Poke Run	Laurel Hill	Ligonier	Patton
First, BV	Fairchance	Puckety, LB	Calvin, Scottdale
Harmony, BV	Mt. Washington	Grace, LB	Grace Chapel
Rehoboth	Little Redstone	Masontown	Pleasant View
Bolivar	First, Irwin	McClellandtown	Level Green
Calvin, Brownsville	First, Jeannette	Merrittstown	Tent
Fort Burd	Second, Johnstown	Union, Murryvsville	Third
Hopewell	Springhill Furnace	Congruity	Trinity, Uniontown
Tyrone	Latrobe	Trinity, NF	East Liberty
Delmont	Latrobe United	New Kensington	Sewickley
			Sewickley United
			West Newton United

#### Report of the Moderator

None at this time.

### REPORTS OF SUBCOMMITTEES

#### Examinations and Membership

- Information Items - Met with Regina Sturiale regarding her statement of faith in preparation for an examination and approval.
- Action Items
  - **MP** the recommendation of presentation of Regina Sturiale for examination for ordination and reception into Redstone Presbytery at the Presbytery meeting on May 28, 2024.

#### Search and Call

- Information Items
  - Transition Chart

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- Annual report for Patrick Ewing is in Drop Box.
- Action Items
  - **MP** to approve the recommendation of the Covenant Pastor agreement between the session of Grace Chapel Presbyterian Church and Regina Sturiale upon approval of her examination.

### COM Liaison Responsibilities and Suggested Timeline

- IPLF Upcoming workshops:
  - Reformed Worship and Sacraments (begins January 6)
  - Workshops
    - May 4; Preaching Laboratory – Rev. Skip Noftzger
  - Consider recruiting Ruling Elders that are interested in serving in a larger capacity through pastoral service for enrollment into the program beginning in August.
- Commissioning of General Assembly commissioners will occur at the May Presbytery meeting.
- At the September 24, 2024 Presbytery meeting at Pine Springs Camp, a mission fair will be held. Requesting churches to provide quilt squares to be stitched together into a quilt representing all the mission projects.

### Care of Congregations and Congregational Leaders

- Prayers were lifted in answer to requests that had been received for:  
Praises for fellowship in sharing meals; plans for summer, welcoming back former members and greeting new people. Praises for four young people ready to join the church, for new members, for confirmation classes, for new Elders, and for ordinations.  
Prayers for those dealing with health issues especially heart issues of ones in their twenties, prayers for those requiring nursing homes, and prayers for restoration.  
Prayers for leadership, for PNCs working hard without getting discouraged, for evangelism, and prayers for those on mission trips.  
Prayers and praises for three churches from Johnstown holding joint service and symposium about depression, issues, and where and how to find help as a way to serve their community. Praises for Pastors that think outside the box, providing a Sunday message and congregational participation that was amazing, unique, and very moving.  
Praises for food banks, diaper drives for Mother's Day, fund raisers, for all the effort performed in maintaining a cemetery, and Memorial Day Veteran Lunches.
- The following Teaching Elders and Commissioned Pastors were prayed for during this time: Rebecca Siddle, John Simpson, Jeff Smith, Douglas Stevens, James Stobaugh, James Sunseri, Rick Sweeney, Hyiwot Teshome, Denise Todero, Alice Tondora.
- The following churches were prayed for during this time: Mt. Washington Presbyterian Church, Farmington; First Presbyterian Church, Fayette City; Little Redstone Presbyterian Church, Fayette City; First Presbyterian Church, Greensburg; Maplewood Presbyterian Church, Greensburg; Westminster Presbyterian Church, Greensburg; First Presbyterian Church, Irwin; West Hempfield, Irwin; First Presbyterian Church Jeannette; Bethany Presbyterian Church, Johnstown.

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### Unfinished Business

- Westmont COM Team report. Marsha Stallings, Charnet Koch, and Ed Gray will sit in with Session on May 15, 2024. The Team plans to meet with Westmont Session, Pastor, and Pastor Graham Standish in June.
- Tyrone Listening/Discernment Team report. Donna Havrisko, Chuck MacPherson, and Russ Baird plan to meet with Tyrone on May 13, 2024. Presently, the church has a Baptist preacher as their pulpit supply.
- Fayette City dissolution Administrative Commission (AC) follow through report. The Commission met this week at the church, brought all the books, and closed the checking account. All utilities were transferred to the Presbytery. Next meeting is May 20, 2024.

### Adjournment

It was MSP to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. with prayers offered by Rev Derek Campbell.

Respectfully submitted,



Helen Toms  
Secretary

### April 4, 2024, Meeting

Guests: Rev. Emily Chudy, Board of Pensions Church Consultant.

### Board of Pension (BOP) Presentation

Rev. Emily Chudy, Board of Pensions Church Consultant, provided a presentation on the changes to the benefits plan along with the reasons for these changes. Information on the pricing of the new plans were released on April 3, 2024. The major change to the benefits plan in 2025 is related to Medical costs and that family coverage will be a separate cost from the pastor's Medical care. A summary of the structure for benefits beginning January 1, 2025 was provided:

***Congregational Pastors Package:*** full health care and defined benefit pension as required by the PC(USA) Book of Order for installed teaching elders. This benefit will be offered to commissioned pastors sanctioned for congregational ministry by their presbytery. Note there is the additional 10% for Pension, Death and Disability insurance (DDT), Temporary Disability, and Employee Assistance Program (EAP) to the percentage listed below.

- Required non-contributory (dues paid by the church) coverage for minister at 16%.
- Preferred provider organization (PPO) medical coverage
- Optional medical coverage for family members on a contributory (dues paid by church and/or member) basis.

***Covenant Package (replaces Minister's Choice):*** pension, death and disability insurance provided on a non-contributory (paid by church or employer) basis for all employees of church or church-related employees working 20 hours or more per week.

- 10% effective salary paid by employer for Pension, DDT, Temp. Disability, and EAP

***Transitional Pastors Participation Package:*** designed as a subsidized bridge to the Congregational Pastors Package, this package replicates the existing Pastor's Participation plan until it is phased out in

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2027. This provides full family coverage paid by the church for teaching elders who are enrolled in Pastor's Participation. This three-year transition goes up 4% each year to get to the big jump of the Congregational Package cost in 2027 as shown in the bulleted list below. Note there is the additional 10% for Pension, DDT, Temp. Disability, and EAP to the percentages listed below.

- 33% Medical 2025
- 37% Medical 2026
- 41% Medical 2027

If a Pastor changes plans in 2025 leaving Transitional Pastors Participation, that plan will not be an option for that Pastor the following year since it is being phased out.

In summary, it may depend on effective salary and coverage level (member only, spouse, or family) when it is most cost effective to enroll in the Congregational Pastors Package during this transition period (a calculator will be available later this summer from the BOP and Rev. Skip Nottzger has comprised a spreadsheet of comparisons). Congregations are encouraged to pay for family. There are alternatives for medical coverage and different entries now not just employer: Health Insurance Marketplace, CHIP and other approaches may be considered, for example, instead of raise, a congregation may offer to contribute for family coverage. This must be a three-way conversation: COM + Pastor + Congregation as to ensure congregations select the appropriate cost-effective plan while ensuring the needed level of coverage for the Pastor.

### Approval of Minutes

MSP to table approval of the minutes of March 7, 2024 until the minutes have been placed in Dropbox for review.

### Report of the Stated Clerk

The Stated Clerk updated the committee on the following items:

- Correspondence Log (Meeting Documents).
- Minutes Review Dates (25 churches out of 60 have completed their minutes review)
  - April 17; 6:00 p.m.; Presbytery Center
  - May 28; 5:00 p.m.; Pleasant View Presbyterian Church
- MSP to approve the recommendation to the Presbytery the following requests:
  - from Dunbar, First for a waiver of rotation for Cynthia Robbins and Stacy Pugh, Ruling Elders.
  - from The United Presbyterian Church of New Kensington for a waiver of rotation for Mark Bondra and Julia Yockey, Ruling Elders and Karen Grillo and Kathryn Whitacre, Deacons.

### REPORTS OF SUBCOMMITTEES

#### Examinations and Membership

- Information Items - Anticipate meeting with Student Pastor Regina at Grace Chapel when officially notified by Kiski that she is "certified and ready to receive a call."
- Action Items - None at this time.

#### Search and Call

- Information Items
  - Transition Chart (handout)

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- Action Items – None at this time.
  - **MP** to approve the short-term (3-month) Student Pastor agreement between the session of Ebensburg Presbyterian Church and Danielle Kendig (candidate under Care of Redstone).
  - **MP** to approve of the installation commission for Rev. Owar Ojulu as pastor of the Grace Community Presbyterian Church on April 14; 4:00 p.m.

### COM Liaison Responsibilities and Suggested Timeline

- IPLF Upcoming workshops:
  - Reformed Worship and Sacraments (begins January 6)
  - Workshops
    - April 6; Scripture and Study Methods – Rev. Sharon Stewart
    - May 4; Preaching Laboratory – Rev. Skip Noftzger

### Care of Congregations and Congregational Leaders

- Prayers were lifted in answer to requests that had been received for:
- The following Teaching Elders and Commissioned Pastors were prayed for during this time: Robert Prinkey, Geoff Rach, Doug Rehberg, Robert Ruefle, Marnie Russell, Sara Sadler, Regina Sturiale, Joshua Scully, Robert Sheehan, Dawn Sherwood.
- The following churches were prayed for during this time: Hopewell Presbyterian Church, Brownsville; Colver Presbyterian Church; Cresson Presbyterian Church; Tyrone Presbyterian Church, Dawson; Delmont Presbyterian Church; Derry Presbyterian Church, ; First Presbyterian Church, Dunbar; Laurel Hill Presbyterian Church, Dunbar; Ebensburg Presbyterian Church; First Presbyterian Church, Fairchance.

### Unfinished Business

- Pastor one-day retreat – Pine Springs: Friendly reminder to register for retreat so the number of meals can be appropriately furnished.

### New Business

- Appointment of COM representatives to the Listening/Discernment team with Tyrone Presbyterian Church in response to their request of dismal from PCUSA. Representatives from COM will include Reverends Donna Havrisko and Chuck MacPherson with a meeting to be scheduled in May.
- **Minimum Terms of Call Task Force**. Reverends Skip Noftzger, Mary Kay Glunt, and Martin Ankrum have volunteered to comprise a task force for consideration of the BOP changes for 2025 and going forward regarding implications to Minimum Terms of Call.

**Adjournment**--It was **MSP** to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. with prayers by Rev. Donna Havrisko.

### COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY REPORT

\_There was a written report in the Presbytery Packet on page 43.

### Information Items

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1. Opening Prayer by Robin Jennings

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2. Approval of minutes of March 5, 2024 **MSP**
3. Updates on Candidates and IPLF Participants

### **Candidate Danielle Kendig**

2<sup>nd</sup> Field study under way at Conemaugh Hospital as a volunteer chaplain. Skip will speak with Danielle about a student pastor position at Ebensburg Presbyterian church April-June (this was later approved by session and COM). Committee will meet with her to review that all requirements have been met to be certified ready to receive a call.

### **Candidate James Vlosich**

Hyiwoit will meet James every month. When James needs help with things he can contact Hyiwot sooner. He has three classes left. James is signing up for Polity exam in the fall. James will further his education in Pastoral Ministry. He is preaching once a month at Trinity. James is on track to graduate Spring of 2025.

### **Consultations report**

#### **IPLF authorized preacher Seth Myers**

Robin will reach out to him. Skip indicated he finished all courses but hasn't completed practicums. He preaches at his home church once or twice a month as an authorized preacher. *(Meeting addendum: Seth is not interested in preaching outside his home congregation.)*

#### **IPLF authorized preacher Tammy Noss**

Is commission eligible. Preaching when she is offered.

#### **CCE Cheryl Rhea**

Is a certified Christian Ed teacher. Robin will reach out to Geoff Rach at Level Green to see if CPM should meet with her. *(Meeting addendum – Cheryl is now retired, and no longer functioning in this role.)*

#### **IPLF authorized preacher Karen Gray**

Is continuing with her courses and practicums.

#### **Authorized preacher Linda Gossar Loesch,**

She enjoys preaching and is scheduled most Sundays, preaching and filling in since completing her program in 1974. She enjoys meeting different congregations and different people. In 2023, she filled in for 25 different churches. Skip reminded her that she is part of the Redstone Presbytery and can be asked by other Presbyteries such as Kiski to fill in, but she should choose Redstone opportunities first. The committee prayed for Linda.

#### **Anthony Marciano**

Previously commissioned at Tyrone and Leisenring, he left the two churches in 2022, feeling the mounting stress of juggling work and home life. Now that time has passed, Anthony feels he is able to commit to preach once or twice a month. Discussed with him his current church participation, interaction with Level Green church and views regarding PC(USA) and desire to preach in congregations in Redstone. A motion to add Anthony to the pulpit supply list failed. A motion to refer him to the COM examination committee passed. Skip was requested to be in communication with him. *(Meeting addendum: Before Skip could reach out to him, Anthony emailed Skip and requested that his name be removed from consideration regarding pulpit supply.)*

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## NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Rev. Geoff Rach presented the Nominating Committee report.

### Action Items

On behalf of the Nominating Committee, the following names are placed before you for election to positions in their respective categories.

- The Nominating Committee nominates the following people to serve the presbytery.  
Rev. Skip Noftzger – Stated Clerk  
Rev. Cliff Foster---Associate Clerk for Constitutional and Judicial Matters  
Karen Gray---Recording Clerk

It was **MSP** to approve these nominations.

### **Information Items**

- As we prepare for the upcoming season (June-September) of identifying new leadership, the Nominating Committee is in need of your suggestions and recommendations for ruling elder candidates to serve within the various committees and structures of the Presbytery. Please email any nominations to Glenn Hart, Nominating Committee Chair.
- In the upcoming months, we will be considering candidates to serve as Vice Moderator in 2025. If you desire to nominate someone (including yourself), please contact either Glenn Hart or Rev. Skip Noftzger.

### **Administrative Commission for dissolution of First Presbyterian Church, Fayette City Tuesday, April 30, 2024**

The Administrative Commission of the First Presbyterian Church of Fayette City met for the second time on Tuesday, April 30, 2024 at the church property. Present from the Administrative Commission: Bobbi Jo Huebner, Leonard Morgan, Joshua Scully.

Donald Strickler contacted Joshua Scully on Sunday, April 28, 2024 and requested to resign from the administrative commission due to a conflict of interest. As a property and business owner in the borough, Donald did not feel comfortable with a role on the administrative commission following our first meeting and a few days of reflection. However, he is willing to assist the commission in the future should we need his help.

The Administrative Commission also invited others to attend as guests for this meeting, including former First Presbyterian session members, Bob and Marlene Kubina, and the current tenants of the First Presbyterian manse. The Kubinas did attend the meeting. The tenants declined due to illness.

The meeting opened with prayer from Joshua Scully at 7:03pm. The minutes from the first commission meeting were reviewed. Leonard Morgan forwarded a motion to receive the minutes as presented. Bobbi Jo Huebner seconded this motion. All were in favor.

Bobbi Jo Huebner forwarded a motion to receive the resignation of Donald Strickler from the commission. Leonard Morgan seconded this motion. All were in favor.

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The commission reviewed a list submitted to the commission from Executive Presbyter Skip Noftzger. This list included several considerations for the commission. The commission also reviewed a packet from Don Hamm of Donald Hamm & Sons Insurance concerning the First Presbyterian Church property in Fayette City.

On Tuesday, April 23, 2024, Joshua Scully confirmed via property records at the Fayette County Courthouse that the manse and hall are together on one lot (one parcel), while the church building is separate on another lot (one parcel). He has the property parcel identification numbers for both.

### **Utilities**

Marlene and Bob Kubina will provide Joshua Scully with contact information for the utilities. The contact information for sewage and gas were previously provided. Joshua will seek to either have these utility accounts moved to the name of the Presbytery or, as in the case of sewage, a new account started under the name of the Presbytery. This process has started and will be completed within a week.

### **Bank Account**

Marlene Kubina has closed the bank account of the church and brought to this meeting a check for the balance. This check was given to Bobbi Jo Huebner for delivery to the Presbytery office later this week.

### **Church Furnishings**

The commission agreed that church furniture and belongings are not in immediate threat of damage, even with the structural concerns of the property. The commission plans to complete an inventory of furnishings and property in the future.

### **Tenants**

The Kubinas confirmed that January of 2024 was the most recent rent payment. The amount at that time was \$1,700.00. This total included the January rent (\$750.00), with the remainder (\$950.00) intended to put toward the amount owed. No rent was received in February, March, or April. The total amount owed now exceeds \$7,000.00.

Joshua Scully communicated with the tenants multiple times over the previous week, with the tenants explaining their inability to pay \$750 a month due to their need to rent a vehicle to get to their places of employment. The tenants believe that "some money" will be available to be paid for rent "on the 11<sup>th</sup> [of May]". The tenants also again expressed their desire to purchase the property.

The commission agreed to propose the following to the tenants on Wednesday, May 1, 2024:

The tenants will have forty-five days to present offer of a reasonable amount for the manse and hall property "as is" - with a deadline of Friday, June 14, 2024. At that time, if a reasonable offer is not submitted, the property will be listed for sale "as is" and the tenants will be expected to pay rent for June at that time. No rent will be sought in the meantime so that the tenants may focus on their offer. The tenants will be encouraged to look elsewhere for housing after the June 14, 2024 deadline.

The Kubinas have a relative who works locally in real estate and is willing to provide the commission with an estimated value of the manse and hall property based on his research and experience in the borough.

### **Property Repair**

The Kubinas longed employed a local plumber for projects at the church property. Marlene Kubina will provide his phone number so that he may be contacted for work on the basement drain.

Don Hamm of Donald Hamm & Sons Insurance explained that the insurance policy for the property is at risk of cancelation if certain repairs are not completed before the end of the year. Joshua Scully contacted Don about these repairs, and Don expressed that repairs to the church chimney and the roof around the chimney were of greatest importance. Don also believed that underwriting may not cancel the policy if these

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projects are completed. The chimney repairs were completed in September and October of 2023. Marlene Kubina will share contact information for other contractors previously submitting bids for that particular section of roof.

### **Celebratory Service and Membership**

Following conversations with remaining members and the First Presbyterian Church of Belle Vernon, Joshua Scully forwarded a motion to host a service of celebration for the ministry at First Presbyterian Church in Fayette City at the First Presbyterian Church in Belle Vernon on Sunday, July 21, 2024 at 3:00pm. Bobbi Jo Huebner seconded this motion and all were in favor. This date satisfied many conflicting schedules. A luncheon will follow worship. Bobbi Jo Huebner will see to the arrangements for the luncheon and First Presbyterian Church of Belle Vernon Pastor Mary Kay Glunt was notified as soon as the decision was reached. Marlene Kubina and Joshua Scully will work together to contact former pastors and those most recently serving pulpit supply with an invitation to attend.

Remaining members were previously invited to worship with several local congregations. Three of the four remaining members have attended elsewhere since the final service at First Presbyterian Fayette City on March 31, 2024. This conversation will continue as needed should any of the four remaining members seek membership elsewhere.

### **Committee on Ministry and Church Records**

As Joshua Scully is expecting to miss the next Committee on Ministry meeting (May 2, 2024), Bobbi Jo Huebner is prepared to share with that committee as needed. Bobbi Jo was also given the account check, the account checkbook, several volumes of session minutes, registry, guest book, and a few historical significant artifacts to deliver to the Presbytery office.

### **Administrative Commission Meeting**

A motion was received from Joshua Scully to set the next administrative commission meeting for Monday, May 20, 2024 at the church property. Bobbi Jo Huebner seconded this motion and all were in favor. The meeting will begin at 6:30pm.

A motion was received from Leonard Morgan to adjourn with prayer at 7:51pm. Bobbi Jo Huebner seconded this motion and all were in favor. Joshua Scully closed the meeting with prayer.

### **Administrative Commission for the Dissolution of First Presbyterian Church, Fayette City**

Monday, April 22, 2024; 6:30pm

The Administrative Commission of the First Presbyterian Church of Fayette City met for the first time on Monday, April 22, 2024 at the church property. The congregation had concluded worship on Sunday, March 31, 2024. Present from the Administrative Commission: Bobbi Jo Huebner, Leonard Morgan, Joshua Scully, and Donald Strickler. There were no members absent.

The Administrative Commission also invited others to attend as guests for this meeting, including former First Presbyterian session members, Bob and Marlene Kubina, and the current tenants of the First Presbyterian manse. The Kubinas did attend the meeting. The tenants declined due to a schedule conflict.

The meeting opened with prayer from Joshua Scully at 6:32pm.

Leonard Morgan proposed a motion that Joshua Scully record minutes for the administrative commission. Bobbi Jo Huebner seconded this motion. All were in favor.

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The meeting started with Joshua Scully providing the administrative commission with a list of concerns and objectives to be completed as soon as possible, including:

- Updating the utilities to reflect the name of the Presbytery of Redstone - this process has started for the sewage provider
- Closing the current checking account (and any other accounts) and moving remaining funds to the Presbytery of Redstone
- Settle the ongoing concerns with and from the current tenants. The tenants expressed several concerns about the property, including flooding in the basement and a problematic basement drain, over the last few weeks. The tenants are behind on their rent at present and, according to the Kubinas, the total amount owed exceeds \$7,000.00. The monthly rent is \$750.00. The tenants have not paid for April as of this meeting.
- There are several structural concerns with the church, hall, and manse. There are insurance funds in place to address some of these repairs. One new concern was apparent at the beginning of this meeting - the hall had a strong odor of mildew and mold that required the meeting to relocate to the church. The suspected source of this odor was the recent flooding beneath the hall and manse.

The administrative commission toured the church building and the immediate vicinity. The Kubinas related the completion of some repairs and restorative projects recently completed. Most of these concerned either the foundation or chimney. The session had struggled with a contractor in late 2023 and early 2024 due to concerns over payment and quality of work. Some of the completed repairs were of questionable quality, especially on the side of the church facing Second Street.

The administrative commission also examined the plaster on the sanctuary ceiling, which continues to fall.

After inspecting the accessible property, discussion followed as to if the structures should be sold "as is" and if an estate sale or auction of the remaining fixtures and furniture may occur in the future. Some of these items may also potentially serve as gifts to local congregations.

Prior to the next meeting, the administrative commission hopes to realize the following:

- the closing of any remaining accounts associated with the congregation and the transfer of those funds to the Presbytery of Redstone (Marlene Kubina offered to see to this for the administrative commission)
- the necessary change in utility billing to be sure payments remain current
- the determination of the lot/deed situation concerning the property (Joshua Scully offered to visit the Fayette County Courthouse to confirm the nature of the lot/deed(s) of the property)

Bobbi Jo Huebner wished to note that the First Presbyterian Church of Belle Vernon was willing to host a service in the future that would celebrate the ministry at First Presbyterian of Fayette City.

Joshua Scully presented a motion to schedule the next meeting of the administrative commission for Tuesday, April 30, 2024 at 7:00pm. This meeting will be in-person and on Zoom. The in-person meeting will occur at the First Presbyterian Church of Fayette City hall as long as conditions allow. Bobbi Jo Huebner seconded this motion. All were in favor.

Bobbi Jo Huebner forwarded a motion to adjourn the meeting with prayer at 7:35pm. Leonard Morgan seconded this motion. All were in favor. Leonard Morgan concluded the meeting with prayer.

Following the meeting, Joshua Scully collected the checkbook from Bob Kubina and the keys that remained in the possession of the Kubinas.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

Associate Stated Clerk, Rev. Cliff Foster reported that there was no new business for the Presbytery at this time.

**ATTENDANCE REPORT**

The Associate Stated Clerk, Rev. Cliff Foster gave the attendance report. He reported that there were 35 clergy and 6 Commissioned Ruling Elders, 30 elders (representing 25 congregations), 1 by virtue of office, 6 visitors and 2 Corresponding Members for a total of 81. There were 40 congregations without elder representation.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS LOOP**

The Presbytery watched the Announcement Loop that highlighted many of the upcoming events within our Presbytery over the next several months. The Announcement Loop will be available on the Presbytery website.

**RESOLUTION OF THANKS**

Rev. Laura Blank presented the Resolution of Thanks for this meeting of the Presbytery of Redstone.

**BENEDICTION**

Rev. Forrest Classen, Synod of the Trinity Executive offered the benediction prayer.

**ADJOURNMENT**

It was **MSP to adjourn** with prayer at 8: 51 PM .

*The next stated meeting of the Presbytery of Redstone will take place on Saturday, September 24, 2024, at Pine Springs Camp.*

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Len Morgan, Moderator

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Cliff Foster, Recording Clerk