

# **IDLEWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Stated Session Meeting Minutes

April 19, 2023, 6:30PM

For TW@I

Rev. Powers opened the meeting with prayer at 6:30. All present enjoyed a meal together and listened to the confirmands give their statements of faith. Quorum was determined. Pat Neely and Nancy Ruch trained the Session on how to serve communion as smoothly and reverently as possible.

Rev. Powers stated his appreciation for all of the staff and the choir for putting together a wonderful Holy Week. He will be traveling to Cuba to visit Juan G. Hall Presbyterian. Rev. Veazey reported that another “meet the staff” gathering will be hosted on April 23 from 4:00-6:00 at Soul and Spirits Brewery and that another Free Legal Clinic will be held April 29. Rev. Gale has been preparing for the Created Good program (with Youth and Adult Ministries) and a weekly Bible study that will coincide with the summer sermon series on Psalms.

The Session voted to sustain the statements of faith of all of the confirmands and affirm their confirmation following their hard work over the last several months.

Steve Valentine reviewed the financial report as provided in the packet noting that income was better than planned in March and for the fiscal year. He reminded the Session that expenses for the year were positively impacted by fewer staff. This year the church will be working with a full staff.

The consent agenda was approved (a copy of which is found below).

## **Consent Agenda for April 19, 2023 Session**

### **Clerk**

The Clerk of Session moves that:

### **Action Item CoS1**

The March 22, 2023 Stated Session Minutes be approved.

### **Action Item CoS2**

Joe and Margaret Cline's membership letter be transferred to Saint Andrews in Raleigh, NC at their request.

Action Item CoS3

During the Bradley Hunter Welch May 7th organ concert have Ushers collect an offering which would go to the appropriate music restricted fund.

The meeting moved into executive session at 8:00 and returned to regular session at 8:16, followed by prayer.

Rev. Gale presented the recommendations from the special subcommittee on disclosure. The goal of the committee's work was to be transparent, open, and honest while recognizing the need to create safe spaces for everyone in the congregation.

Commissioners were chosen to attend the May meeting of the Presbytery.

Once all business was concluded, the meeting was closed in prayer at 9:10PM.