

Minutes of  
The Stated Meeting of Olympia Presbytery  
1:00 PM, Saturday, Nov 11, 2023  
Little Church on the Prairie

ROLLS	Attached <a href="#">111123 Presbytery Rolls</a>
WELCOME	ErrolLynne Marsh welcomed all and thanked Little Church on the Prairie 1:07 pm
RECOGNITION	Rev Dr Martha Greene served in place of Moderator ErrolLynne Marsh, who was recognized for her service with a gift, thanks, and prayer.
CALL TO ORDER	Martha Greene
CLERK	<b>MOTION:</b> to elect Rev. Kari McFarland as Clerk <i>pro tempore</i> . <i>Motion carried.</i>
CALL TO WORSHIP	Martha Greene led and offered prayer.
QUORUM	A quorum was declared.
INTRODUCTIONS	New presbyters: Rachel and Josh Young, Geoff Browning Guests: Taeler Morgan introduced Rev. Dr. Mae Elise Cannon and Steve Briggie, Regional Coordinator of Churches for Middle East Peace First time commissioners: Liz Hylton, RE from Ocean Beach, first time elders Bill and Andrea Klouse, FPC Puyallup
VOICE	<b>MOTION:</b> to grant voice to Mae Elise Cannon. <i>Motion carried.</i>
DOCKET	<b>MOTION:</b> to approve the docket. <i>Motion carried.</i>
ACKNOWLEDGE	Land acknowledgement by Rev. Laura Nile Tuell, Lakewood PC
WELCOME	Welcome to Little Church on the Prairie by Rev. James Kim, Senior Pastor
MISSION PARTNER	Greeting from our PCUSA Mission Partner - Churches for Middle East Peace. Rev. Dr. Mae Elise Cannon spoke and answered questions. Moderator closed in prayer.
CLERK'S REPORT	Rev. Kari McFarland Meeting <b>Minutes of September 14</b> were approved by acclamation after the correction of ErrolLynne Marsh's name.
CONSENT AGENDA	<b>MOTION:</b> To hold the parts of the Consent Agenda for which the links are not working to the end of this meeting. <i>Motion carried.</i>
CORNERSTONE	Update from Rev. Jennifer Swier COM appointed Cornerstone AC: from Cornerstone: Elaine Emans, Mark Downing, and Cheryl Rogers. From Westminster Olympia: Kevin Krueger, from

United Churches: Lara Krutsinger-Perry, and Mark McHugh is the chair; John Bosshart is a non-voting member.

**MOTION** from the AC: The AC for Cornerstone PC establishes December 17, 2023 for the final closing worship service, and December 31, 2023 as the date at which activities shall cease and the congregation shall be dissolved. *Motion carried.*

Prayer was offered for Jennifer and the congregation.

PRAYER

A Prayer for Veterans Day by Rev. Tom Paine

TREASURER

Treasurer's Report and Leadership Council Budget Report by Ron Marshall

**MOTION:** to approve the 2024 budget report. *Motion carried.*

NOMINATING

Nominating Committee Report by Rev. Barlow Buescher

**MOTION:** to send Rev. Barlow Buescher as an alternate TE to GA. Motion by Melody Young. *Motion carried.*

**MOTION:** The Nominating Committee places the following slate in nomination, seeking approval:

TRUSTEES: Moderator and Vice Moderator

CPM: Tad Monroe, Deanna Gemmer, Ofé Abreu Rosario

COM: Mark McHugh, Laura Nile Tuell, John Murphy, Fay Garrett, and Gary Jackson.

LEADERSHIP COUNCIL: Moderator and Vice Moderator, Aya Clark, Irvin Porter.

INVESTIGATIVE POOL: Tom Hill, Nicole McKnight, Lesley Paine.

PERMANENT JUDICIAL COMMITTEE: Jeff Cheifetz, Ruth Moore

PERSONNEL: Therin Fenner

GENERAL ASSEMBLY DELEGATES:

TE Tammy Stampfli, Validated Ministry

Alternate: Barlow B

RE Dan Evans, Lakewood

Alternate: Kathy Marshall

MODERATOR: Robin Crawford and for VICE MODERATOR: Aaron Stewart.

*Motion carried.*

Too many people were asked to serve on CPM. Deanna Gemmer asked to have her name withdrawn from consideration.

- MOTION:** To revise the 2024 Nominating Committee Report to remove Deanna Gemmer from CPM. *Motion carried.*
- HAGAR'S Hagar's Guide Team presented by Ron Marshall  
**MOTION:** to approve the proposed 2024 budget for Hagar's Community Church.  
*Motion carried.*
- SOUND VIEW Sound View AC Report - Pam Anderson, Board Chair of Sound View Camp  
Pam noted that Salish Sea non-profit is to administer the funds and control the budget next year.  
**MOTION:** to approve the proposed 2024 budget from the Sound View Board.  
*Motion carried.*
- TRUSTEES Report presented by Martha Greene  
Update on the sale of Westminster Tacoma
- STORIES Four Congregation Stories presented: Ocean Beach (Liz Hylton), Chapel by the Sea (Linda Flatley), Lakewood Grace (Brad Epperson), Little Church on the Prairie (James Kim). Martha Greene closed with prayer.
- COMMISSION ON MINISTRY Ruth Moore, COM co-moderator  
Interview with new minister members: Rachel and Josh Young (Lacey) and Geoff Browning (retired) transfer from San Jose Presbytery  
Reinstated Elizabeth Klein (Validated Ministry)  
Therin Fenner - moving to Singapore for three years but staying a member of OP.
- HAGAR'S Guide Team Report - Deanna Gemmer  
Sunday night and Tuesday afternoon visitation is possible if Deanna is contacted.  
Deanna prayed.
- DOCKET **MOTION:** to extend the docket to 4:30. *Motion carried.*
- CONSENT AGENDA **MOTION:** to reconsider the approval of the consent agenda. *Motion carried.*  
**MOTION:** To revise the motion and strike the parts to hold the consent agenda.  
*Motion carried.*
- WORSHIP Worship continued with Ephesians 4:11-16 and Luke 11:37-41 (NIV), followed by "Called to Unity" by Rev. Angela Chen Miksovsky, pastor at Buckley Community Presbyterian Church, who also served communion with Rev. Brad Epperson of Lakewood Grace.

NECROLOGY

Read by Angela Chen Miksovsky and Kari McFarland

Anita Calhoun	Karen Blatman-Byers
Bill Edmundson	Kathy Schieno
Carolynn Howard	Ken Upton
Dave Richards	Larry Richardson
Deanna Zieske	Laura Bunge
Dianna Spring	Linda Greer
Dorothy Barlow	Marge Gemmell
Edith Reynolds	Marjorie Beard
George Weirich	Norma Zylstra
Glenn Paulsen	Park Chambliss
Gloria (Moon) Gamblin	Russ Trentledge
Helen (Kilbuck) Muchow	Thelma Bratton
John McNeel	Wayne Clark

ADJOURN

**MOTION:** to after the benediction. *Motion carried.* Meeting ended at 4:34.

BENEDICTION

Sung by Matt Redmond

Respectfully submitted by Rev. Lesley Blair Paine, Recording Clerk, 14 November 2023