

**NORTH LAKE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**Stated Session Meeting, April 19, 2022**

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**Roll Call**

**Class of 2025**

X Bill Johnston  
X Bill Mahlborg  
Ex Dick Young

**Class of 2024**

Ex Jim McKeithen  
Ex Richard Vehling  
X Judy Wardle

**Class of 2025**

Ex Ann Collins  
X Joe Fortenbaugh  
X Lyn Jensen

**Staff**

X Shawn Smith  
X Dave Belch  
X Tom Ledoux  
X Lynn Miller  
X Mike Snow  
Ex Tina Carroll  
X Kathy Yoakam

X Jeff Hosmer, Moderator  
X Rose Gorman, Clerk of Session

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Stated Meeting of the Session for the month of April 2022 was called to order by Moderator, Rev. Dr. Jeff Hosmer, at 1:00 pm on April 19, 2022. All members of Session, and designated Staff members were present. Excused were Elders Dick Young, Jim McKeithen, Richard Vehling and Ann Collins, and from the designated staff, Tina Carroll. A quorum was declared. Pastor Jeff opened the meeting with prayer and the welcoming of new Church Administrator, Dave Belch.

**CALL FOR NEW BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moderator Hosmer inquired if there were any new action items that need to be added to the agenda. There being none, the agenda was approved as distributed. Later in the meeting an additional action item was added regarding the APNC which is action number 4.

Pastor Jeff introduced the new church Administrator Dave Belch. Dave Belch will be replacing Tom Ledoux. The positions will be overlapping for several months. Tom Ledoux gave some background information regarding Dave who is from Ontario, Canada. Dave Belch then spoke regarding his and his wife, Jane, decision for accepting God's call of this position and information regarding family, educational and past ministries.

**ACTION ITEMS**

1. A motion was made to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2022, regular Session meeting as distributed. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

2. A motion was made to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2022, Session meeting to receive new members. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously. A copy of the minutes is attached.
3. A motion was made to approve membership roll changes from March 10, 2022, through April 14, 2022. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

These members joined the Church Triumphant:

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| - David Waller             | March 4, 2022  |
| - Mildred Hayes            | March 13, 2022 |
| - Robert Sabourin          | March 14, 2022 |
| - William (Gene) Carpenter | March 19, 2022 |
| - Garth Price              | March 20, 2022 |
| - Duane Swanberg           | April 1, 2022  |

These attendees have been added as new members by Session:

- John Reformato and Deborah Pfau by transfer from the Presbyterian Church at Porchester, Porchester, New York
4. A motion was made by Elder Bill Johnston, chairman of the APNC to dissolve the committee with gratitude effective immediately. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

## **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS**

### **Financial Report**

Giving for the month of March was \$164,736 which is 11% less than the budget. Giving through the month of March is under budget by \$27,167. (-5%)

Expenses for March were under budget by \$5,291 which resulted in a surplus of \$6,658. The YTD surplus is \$60,722.

The loan on the long-term mortgage rate is being negotiated with bank and the papers should be signed next week by President Rose Gorman and Secretary Dick Young.

The "Count Me In Campaign" has a balance of \$76,444. The Finance Committee will probably recommend within the next few months that some of the balance of this campaign be applied to pay down some of the mortgage loan.

Operation Homebound revenue in March was under budget by \$1,439 and expenses were \$1,898 over budget. The deficit for March was \$12,903 and the YTD deficit is \$32,977.

Little Blessings tuition revenue in March was over budget by \$2,345 and expenses were \$529 under budget. The March deficit was \$1,347 and the YTD deficit is \$12,313. Pastor Shawn Smith reported that Little Blessings received a federal grant in the amount of \$82,613.70 which will be distributed in three installments during the next year. The first installment has already been received in the amount of \$27,537.90.

The Christian Food Pantry expenditures were under budget for the month of March. The YTD deficit of \$20,859 is less than the projected deficit. We are still in the process of soliciting bids for the expansion and renovation project.

### **Personnel**

Mason Copeland, who at one time participated in our Student Ministry, has been hired as a part time chef for Operation Homebound.

### **CLERK'S REPORT**

No report was received by the Clerk of Session.

Pastor Jeff pointed out that upcoming Presbytery meeting will be held via Zoom on June 2, 2022, at 2:00 PM. The featured speaker will be Tod Bolsinger, author of "Canoeing the Mountains."

### **OTHER REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- The Session meetings, until further notice, will begin at 2:00 PM in the Grace Room. There will be no meeting of Session in July unless it is necessary.
- Elder Bill Johnston made the motion to dissolve the APNC committee which is listed in the action items.
- Pastor Jeff shared his observations and thoughts with Session for (1) currently thankful for NLPC (2) next three months and (3) the next three years. Pastor Jeff stated that Pastor Lynn will be retiring at the end of March 2023. The complete list of his observations is attached.

### **CLOSING PRAYER**

A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting with prayer which was led by Pastor Shawn 3:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk of Session, Rose Gorman

**New Member Session Meeting Minutes**  
**April 10, 2022**

**April 10, 2022 – 8:15 a.m.**

There were no New Members at this service

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**April 10, 2022 – 9:30 a.m.**

There were no New Members at this service.

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**April 10, 2022 – 11:15 a.m.**

**Call to Order and Prayer:** Pastor Shawn Smith

**Attending Elders:** Bill Johnston, Jim McKeithan, Richard Vehling, Lyn Jensen

**Introduction of new members:**

John Reformato and Deborah Pfau by transfer from the Presbyterian Church at Porchester, Porchester, New York

**New member questions answered.**

Bill Johnston moved, Jim McKeithan seconded, and motion passed.

Motion to adjourn approved and Pastor Shawn Smith closed in prayer.

Bill Johnston went over the logistics involved in completing the new member process with each group. They were each given a North Lake membership handbook.

## **OBSERVATIONS WITH SESSION – April 19, 2022**

- 1) Currently thankful for NLPC ...
  - a) Spiritual vitality
  - b) Congregational cohesion, resilience, and adaptability
  - c) Strengths in mission, music, congregational care, communication, and more
  - d) Solid financial position and physical/campus assets
  - e) Capacity and commitment of core leadership (officers, staff, and key volunteers)
  - f) Eagerness to find our way forward in a new era of ministry & changing mission-field
- 2) Next three months
  - a) Pastor Shawn's leadership – consolidate & build on year one
  - b) Pastor Lynn – congregational care, preaching (Mother's Day), seeking visitation pastor
  - c) Overlap and transition for Church Administrators Tom and Dave
  - d) Sale of Teague Trail property
  - e) Strengthening our infrastructure (e.g. manuals, policies, job descriptions, Mission Committee projects, Shelby use at Little Blessings, capital improvements plan, etc.)
  - f) Planting seeds for discipleship (children and youth ministry, small groups, ONE conference, etc.)
- 3) Next three years
  - a) Continuing to develop and leverage NLPC strengths
  - b) Discipleship focus and innovations
  - c) Staffing transitions
  - d) Campaign to pay off mortgage/debt
  - e) Develop and promote Endowment Fund
  - f) Pray and play approach

**Moderator Jeff Hosmer – about to embark on sabbatical (April 20 – July 31)**