## SESSION MINUTES FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH GREENVILLE, NC JANUARY 29, 2017

The Session of First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, NC, held a called Session meeting after the 11:00am worship service on January 29, 2017, for the purpose of receiving new members, approving a change to the 2017 budget, and approving a guest minister and Union Seminary event.

**Elders Present:** Rob Ables, Catherine Adams, Kelly Barnhill, Doug Boyd, Jessica Davenport, Sue DelVecchio, Debbie Hahn, Jeri Jackson, Sandy Jackson, Karen Kay, Linda Kean, Dave Kemble, Allen Lyle, Frances Mallison, Gibson McCall, Debra Mizelle, Kathleen Randall, Ray Spears, David Webb, Holli Williams, and Jackie Wynne.

**Others Present:** Bill Neely, Senior Pastor and Moderator, Dick Marks, Clerk of Session, Derek Perry, Treasurer, and Caroline and Eric Whaley.

The Moderator called the meeting to order, declared a quorum was present and opened with prayer.

The Moderator noted that an error had been found in the 2017 budget approved at the last stated Session meeting in calculating the salary and associated figures for the Interim Associate Pastor. With the appropriate corrections and the amendment made at the stated meeting to increase the Stephen Ministry line, there will be a planned deficit in the overall budget of \$2649.92. The Treasurer noted that this was a relatively small amount compared to the overall budget and he felt comfortable that we would be able to meet the budget by the end of the year. A motion passed to approve this correction to the budget and the resulting new 2017 budget (attached).

The Moderator introduced Caroline and Eric Whaley, who were requesting transfer of their church letters from St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Greenville, NC. The Whaleys have been worshipping at our church for some time, and Caroline grew up in the church. After they had a chance to tell a little about their background and faith journey, a motion passed to approve their membership by transfer of letter.

The Moderator announced that a request had come from Union Presbyterian Seminary for the church to host an event on February 13, 2017. Rev. Ken McFayden, who will be leading the event, volunteered to preach at our church on February 12. Following a little discussion, a <u>motion passed</u> to approve using the Fellowship Hall for the event and to invite Rev. McFayden to preach at both services on February 12.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned with Bill Neely offering a closing prayer.

William K. Neely, Moderator

Richard Marks, Clerk of Session