

STATED MEETING OF THE PRESBYTERY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 26, 2018

The Presbytery of South Dakota of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) held its Fall Stated Meeting at First Presbyterian Church in Sturgis, SD on Friday, October 26, 2018.

CONVENING THE PRESBYTERY

The Presbytery was called to order by acting Presbytery Moderator, Rev. Diane Janssen Hemmen, at 10:01 A.M. and opened the meeting with prayer.

ROLL

The roll for this meeting of the Presbytery was constituted by registration with the enrollment clerk.

The following Teaching Elders and Ruling Elders were enrolled and present as commissioners:

Teaching Elders: Steve Allman, Kristie Berglund, Marcus Brooks, Lisa Danielson, Chad Ensz, Kristi Holler, Bob Jacobs, Diane Janssen Hemmen, Rolly Kemink, Jeff Kintner, Yeongsik Nam, Denzel Nonhoff, Abigail Ozanne, John Pehrson, Richard Poppen, Kathy Saxbury, Kevin Veldhuisen, Carolyn Visser, Barbara West.

Commissioned Ruling Elders: Lynn Hall, Gayle Janzen, Jil Jennewein, Steven Johnson, Crystal Knock, Jerry Lutkemeier, Gary Pribyl, Shirley Scotter, Cheryl Van Asperen, Paula Zavitz.

Commissioners: Lynn Hall – Bison, Sharlene Gilbert – Bonilla, Terry Spitzenberger – Brookings, Roger Marken – Emery, Jim Wahl – Fedora, Marv Gall – Lake Andes, Jeff Nelson – Madison, Martha Gesick – Marion, Paula Geersen – Martin, Richard Palmer – Miller, Marty Christensen – Mitchell, Nina Ripley – Onida, Duane Jenner – Pierre, Jane Alberda – Platte, Claire Reilly – Rapid City, Cathryn Jaragoske – Sioux Falls Wild Flower, Wanda Blair – Sturgis, Alana Hansen – Wilmot, Deb Johnson – Yankton.

Other Voting Members: Trudi Nelson, Don Nolting.

Corresponding Members: Derek Runge – Kimbell.

Others in Attendance: Andrew Bellisle, Danny Geersen, Mary Jenner, Scott Kenner, Eunhee Kim, Richard Knock, Eric Laverentz, Alice Nelson, Lester Nelson, Linda Poppen, Veronica Trezona, Debby Vetter, Ben Visser, Vicky Wahl.

QUORUM

Moderator Janssen Hemmen declared the presence of a quorum with:

Teaching Elders: 19
Commissioned Ruling Elders: 10
Commissioners: 19
Other Members of Presbytery: 2
VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: 50

AGENDA

A motion was made to approve the Presbytery Agenda as amended on the floor. **Amended agenda adopted.**

INTRODUCTIONS

Teaching elders present for the first time: Barbara West – Lemmon.

Ruling elders present for the first time: Sharlene Gilbert – Bonilla, Terry Spitzenberger – Brookings, Alice Nelson, Lester Nelson – Whitewood.

MILEAGE COMMITTEE

Moderator Janssen Hemmen appointed the following to the mileage committee: Rev. Barbara West and CRE Gary Pribyl.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moderator Janssen Hemmen presented the Consent Agenda. **Presbytery adopted the following:**

1. That all lay persons and ministers of other denominations serving Presbyterian congregations in the Presbytery of South Dakota who are not temporary members of the presbytery be granted the privilege of the floor for this meeting with voice.
2. Approve the minutes of the June 29-30, 2018 stated meeting.

The following motion comes from Ministry Development and Education:

3. MDE moves to dissolve the Korean Steering Committee with thanks. The Korean Church has received a charter from the Presbytery of South Dakota and has its own session. The members of session were trained in the Elder Leadership training provided by the Presbytery through MDE.

The following motion comes from Administration and Coordination:

4. A motion is made to change the directive in our Manual of Operations regarding the administration of the Lord's Supper.

P3-3.7. WORSHIP

Each stated meeting agenda shall be incorporated into worship. A communion service shall be held at **least once a year** ~~the annual stated meeting~~. The presbytery moderator is responsible for the planning of worship in consultation with Administration and Coordination and the host of the presbytery meeting.

WORSHIP AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

Scripture: Ruth 1:1-18; Mark 12:28-34

Sermon: Chad Ensz – Little Stone Church / Hope Co-op

REPORTS FROM PRESBYTERY OFFICERS AND STAFF**MODERATOR'S REPORT**

As Moderator, I appointed four Presbytery Regional Representatives – Bob Jacobs (Teaching Elder) Northwest Region, Doug Marsh (Ruling Elder) – Southwest Region, Terry Drew (Teaching Elder) – Northeast Region, Paul Penn (Ruling Elder - CRE) – Southeast Region.

As Moderator, I appointed a six member Installation Commission for installing Barbara West – Spencer Memorial, Lemmon. Installation Commission members are: Rev. John Armstrong, Pierre, Rev. John Pehrson, Rapid City, Rev. Rolland Kemink, Onida, Forence Hoff, Bison, Carolyn Petik, Hope Keldron, and Cindy Dix, Lemmon.

As Moderator, I appointed a six member Installation Commission for installing Kathy Saxbury – Onida Presbyterian, Onida. Installation Commission members are: Rev. John Armstrong, Pierre, Rev. John Pehrson, Rapid City, Rev. Janice Palmer, Miller, Doug Marsh, Onida, Meleta DeJong, Pierre, and Sherise Wittler, Onida

I attended a face-to-face meeting of the MDE Committee at Pierre on Aug 9, 2018.

I moderated a Presbytery Moderator's Zoom meeting, Aug 16, 2018.

As Moderator, I officiated the Installation Service for Barbara West, Spencer Memorial, Lemmon on August 25, 2018.

As Moderator, I officiated the Installation Service for Kathy Saxbury, Onida Presbyterian, Onida on August 26, 2018.

As Moderator, I appointed a seven member Installation Commission for installing Ruth Clednenin, First Presbyterian, Aberdeen. Installation Commission members are: Rev. John Armstrong, Pierre, Rev. Allen Sager, Huron, Rev. Kathy Saxbury, Onida, Stated Clerk Kevin Veldhuisen, Sheila Enderson, Aberdeen, Steven Johnson, Willow Lake, Jerry Lutkemeier, Wilmot.

After consultation with Marcus Brooks, I appointed a nine member Ordination Commission for ordaining Marcus Brooks, Sioux Falls. Ordination Commission members are: Rev. Dick Poppen, DeSmet, Rev. Janice Palmer, Miller, Rev. Ken Newell, Sioux Falls, Rev. Dave Halleen, Sioux Falls, Rev. Val Putnam, Sioux Falls, Steven Johnson, Willow Lake (Vice-Moderator), Diane Anderson, Sioux Falls, Joe Muth, Sioux Fall, and Larry Anderson, Sioux Falls.

As Moderator, I officiated the Installation Service for Ruth Clendenin, First Presbyterian, Aberdeen on September 9, 2018.

John Armstrong, Moderator

STATED CLERK AND TRANSITIONAL MISSION COORDINATOR REPORT

It has been a busy and productive 3 months since our last presbytery meeting. Each ministry team has met at least once since our last gathering and I have been on the road for extended periods of time attending meetings and conferences, working in the office, and meeting with colleagues and congregations. This is an exciting time as we continue to live into our new structure and press forward into our future as a presbytery. I have been working hard to keep in touch with our ministry team moderators to be a resource for them whenever necessary. Though we continue to encounter hurdles along the way I am thrilled with the leadership that is in place in our presbytery. Some things I want to highlight:

New Vision for Synod Support of Local Congregations

I attended the Synod Presbyter Forum earlier this month. This is a gathering of the designated staff person for each Presbytery within our Synod, and we devoted a good portion of our time considering what is needed to attract, equip and sustain leadership for vital congregations in our presbyteries. We moved along with many great and interesting ideas and then shifted to a more concise focus on our approach. A small work group was identified to bring ideas and a description back to the group by December. I am one of the people who has been asked to lead this new vision, so if you have any insights to share I would be very excited to hear them.

Session Minutes Review Change

In an attempt to make session minute reviews more accessible and streamlined we will begin reading session minutes / records at presbytery meetings. We encourage all clerks to either attend at least one presbytery meeting a year or to coordinate with your commissioners to get your minutes to a presbytery meeting for review. This opportunity will begin at the February 22, 2019 meeting at Camp Rimrock.

Congregational Transformation Grant

I have the honor of announcing that the presbytery has received it's second year grant of \$20,000 from the denomination for Congregational Transformation.

Minister Transactions

The following minister transactions have been completed and are registered with the Office of General Assembly: transferred Rebecca Gresham-Kesner to West Jersey, Cheryl and Bala Khylllep to Pittsburgh, David Lick to Minnesota Valleys; received Everett Bosch from Stockton; added Marcus Brooks to roll of Minister of Word and Sacrament within South Dakota.

Annual Reports for Congregations

Annual reports for congregations will be sent out in late December. There is a new Annual Statistical Report this year, so I anticipate a busy stats season for me fielding a number of questions. I will do my best to orient and train ahead of time to aid in this transition.

Proof of Insurance

Our insurance for the presbytery is up to date and I will be meeting with our insurance agent to discuss any adjustments that may need to be made for 2019. Administration and Coordination will review these suggestions at their upcoming meeting.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Below is a snapshot of our current financial position within the Presbytery of South Dakota. We are still waiting for stronger financials to be provided from the Synod of Lakes and Prairies, which we have been promised to arrive in the coming weeks.

1. Per financials from Synod as of 9-30-2018	
Year to date income:	\$253,558.00
Year to date expenses:	\$259,335.00
Year to date net profit/loss:	\$ - 5,777.00
2. Per capita projected income for 2018	\$148,000.00
Per capita year to date income per financials dated 9-30-18:	\$ 96,879.00
3. Shared mission giving per financials through 9-30-18:	\$ 63,805.00
4. Presbyterian Foundation Endowment estimated income for 2019 is	\$ 12,721. 67
5. 2019 Budget Projected Income:	\$304,000.00
2019 Budget Projected Expenses	\$321,910.00
Projected Net Income Based on Budget	\$-17,910.00

ADMINISTRATION AND COORDINATION MINISTRY

From August 3 and Sept 28, 2018 meetings of A&C

Logo and Rebranding Task Force

Caitlin Pisha gave a presentation on the new logo concept that was approved by the Rebranding Task Force. Suggestions were made and referred back to the task force to make final design and implementation decisions with the goal of unveiling it at the October 26, 2018 presbytery meeting. **Motion passed.**

Budget and Finance Report

A motion was made to add Tami McGuire to all financial accounts. **Motion approved.**

A motion was made to remove Jerry Lutkemeier from all financial accounts. **Motion approved.**

A motion was made to purchase a dedicated laptop for the office of Treasurer. **Motion approved.**

A motion was made to continue paying for Cindy's mileage and hourly wage for her travels to and from presbytery meetings. **Motion approved.**

A motion was made to utilize Give+ by Vanco Payment Solutions as a credit card processing option at presbytery meetings for meals and offerings. **Motion Passed.**

Personnel

A motion was made to provide within the 2019 budget a \$.35 / hour raise for Cindy Bailey and a \$1,000 annual raise for Kevin Veldhuisen. **Motion Passed.**

Planning

The following proposed 2019 Presbytery Meeting locations were approved:

- February – Westminster, Rapid City
- June - Sioux Falls Westminster
- October – Lemmon or Brookings First depending on lodging availability

Property and Legal

A motion was made to empower Diane Janssen Hemmen to appoint a special task force to work on updating our Manual of Operations. **Motion approved.**

For Presbytery Action

A motion is made to move the presbytery's annual stated meeting from June to October, effective 2019. This will allow for better transition and training of Presbytery Moderators and ministry teams. **Motion Passed.**

A motion is made to approve the 2019 Proposed Budget. Appendix A. **Motion Passed.**

The Rebranding Task Force of A&C unveiled the new logo for the Presbytery of South Dakota. The presbytery offers sincere thanks for the team that worked so hard on this new logo, which can be seen on the presbytery's homepage of our website. New stationary and a new website are next on the list.

MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION

Ordination Exam

Co-moderator Steven Johnson approved the request for David Halleen to take the Theology ordination exam.

Church Leadership Connection

Co-moderator Steven Johnson attested the PIF's for Kristi Holler and Marcus Brooks.

Church Development Fund

There was a request for Church Development funds from Spencer Memorial Presbyterian Church in Lemmon. The SMPC sent a Church Development application to the Presbytery office requesting \$2,000 for assistance in expanding the vibrant youth program to the surrounding community to reach families with children who fall into the category of Generation Z. At the October 11, 2018 MDE meeting, Barbara West from SMPC attended to explain any questions regarding the Church Development Funds application. It was concluded by MDE members that SMPC's request met the criteria of being mission oriented and reaching the community. In a unanimous vote, MDE recommends the disbursement of \$2000.00 of Church Development funds to the Spencer Memorial Presbyterian Church as per their request.

Leadership Development Fund

This provides funding for leadership development throughout the Presbytery. Potential uses have been listed as: Supporting leadership development of elders and deacons; staff continuing education not supported through annual operating budget; efforts to support self-development of people; conference/continuing education for pastors and their families. MDE has been designated as having sole discretion of the use of this fund and as of October 11, 2018 two MDE members have been commissioned to develop an application and guidelines for the disbursement of the Leadership Development funds.

Ordination of Marcus Brooks

On September 21, 2018 Marcus Brooks was ordained as a Minister of Word and Sacraments at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Sioux Falls. Marcus will no longer be under the purview of MDE (CPM) as a candidate due to the ordination and will now have oversight by CPC.

Presbytery Training

MDE in collaboration with A & C planning sub-committee has contracted with Dr Marcia McFee with Worship Design Studio to conduct presentations at the June 2019 Presbytery meeting at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Sioux Falls. Dr McFee brings a fresh perspective to worship in the 21st century. Her website is called the Worship Design Studio and she conducts free or low-cost webinars throughout the church calendar year. She has taught Worship in the 21st Century class at the San Francisco Theological Seminary and she also conducts retreats for those interested in worship design. She is also the author of a book called "Think Like a Filmmaker". Dr McFee will bring with her many years of worship leading and worship design experience to share with Presbytery and churches of the Presbytery.

For Presbytery Action

Kristi Holler was examined and **approved for ordination**. Once ordained she will be serving as the full-time teaching elder at Emmanuel Presbyterian in Marion, SD.

CAMPING AND FAITH FORMATION

The Commission on Camping and Faith Formation held its annual meeting on October 1st and 2nd - starting at Pioneer Camp and then moving to Camp Rimrock. After welcoming 3 new commission members and 1 new co-opted member, the necessary business was conducted.

- The Camp Director reports were presented.
- The Treasurer's reports were discussed.
- The 2019 Camping Schedule was set.
- The Annual Review of the Camp Director was conducted.
- The 2019 Budget was adopted.
- The new slate of officers was elected.

..... AND THEN THE REAL BUSINESS OF OUR MINISTRY BEGAN!

Not that numbers, assessment and planning aren't important, but the crux of our ministry – as stated in our Mission Statement – is in “Providing unique spaces and opportunities for all people to connect with God, self and others”. With that as a backdrop, the majority of our time was spent looking to the future and how that vision is put into practice.

Over the years, the Presbytery of South Dakota has shown its support for this ministry in many ways – volunteering, staffing and financing our camping and retreat programs. But, as a commission, we sense we are at a crossroad with the aging facilities at Rimrock, with our ability to become financially sustainable and with our desire to extend our outreach.

At the June Presbytery meeting, we unveiled our preliminary plans for the redevelopment of Camp Rimrock. As we meet in Sturgis, we look forward to providing more details regarding the initial steps in this process. Thank you, in advance, for your input.

CONGREGATIONAL AND PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY TEAM

A motion was made to honorably retire Rev. Denzel Nonhoff, effective January 15, 2019. **Motion approved.** At the conclusion of this vote a special service of honorable retirement was offered by Rev. John Pehrson and joys of Denzel's ministry were shared within the assembly.

Installed since the last Presbytery meeting:

- The Rev. Barbara West at Spencer Memorial in Lemmon on August 25
- The Rev. Kathy Saxbury at FPC in Onida on August 26
- The Rev. Ruth Clendenin at FPC in Aberdeen on September 9

Ordination: The Rev. Marcus Brooks at Westminster (SF) on Sept.28. Marcus is serving as Temporary pastor at Wildflower (SF).

Approved the three month PT (30hr/week) contract between Rev. John McKnight (UMC) and the United Churches of Hot Springs. Salary - \$2500/month, one week including 1 Sunday of vacation, Health Ins \$788/mo. Mileage reimbursed at IRS rate of \$.545/mile; free use of parsonage for overnight lodging.

CPC will be reviewing the Presbytery minimum salary guidelines at their December meeting.

Kristi Holler has been extended a call to become the pastor at Emmanuel PC in Marion. The terms are:

Salary	\$36,000
Housing allowance:	\$10,800
Mileage at IRS rate	\$500
Professional Exp	\$1000
Pension/Medical thru BOP	
Four weeks vacation	
Two weeks study leave	

CPC recommended adjustments in the areas of mileage expense and the addition of a study leave amount, cumulative up to 6 weeks and 3 times the amount.

Important Information:

- With the change in Tax Law, a pastor's moving expenses when paid by the church are now considered taxable income to the pastor.
- When a pastor accepts a new call and still has funds available for continuing education, those funds remain the property of the church. If given to the pastor in any way, those funds become taxable income to be added to the W-2. Continuing education funds are largely a “use it or lose it” at the time of a new call.

- Unused vacation, on the other hand, may be prorated and given to the pastor as additional income. It is also advisable that vacation time be counted in days rather than weeks. I.e. four weeks vacation is either 20 or 24 days, depending on whether the pastor works a 5 or 6 day week.
- The **Omaha Seminary Pastors' school** will be held May 13-16, 2019 at the Lakeshore Center on Lake Okoboji, IA.

TABLE OF GRACE

Rev. Kristie Berglund gave an update on our New Worshipping Community, Table of Grace, in Harrisburg. She reported that Rev. Jess Daum is no longer with ToG and as a result Kristie has been extended a half-time call by the Lutherans, which brings her back to full time. Their lay leaders are also really stepping up to help out. Table of Grace is moving into a new location in the heart of Harrisburg. Great visibility, lots of potential abound with this move. Their Wednesday outreach and worship gatherings are also growing. Lots of new families coming and becoming consistent participants in this ministry.

HOPE CO-OP

Rev. Chad Ensz gave a report on Hope Co-op our 1001 New Worshipping Community in downtown Sioux Falls. Thirsty Thursday continues to do very well and they have now made their way from Genesis to the book of 1 Samuel. Recently two more people have joined the steering committee and they now have people within their community that are giving regularly to support Hope Co-op. It is quite wonderful to consider how significant these contributions (small as they are) are for such a young community that included many starting in a stance of opposition toward the church and we are all encouraged to please consider a financial contribution to Hope Co-op to help support this vital ministry.

Hope Co-op now has worship as a regular part of what they do. They have dissected the elements of worship, thought very carefully and creatively about each element and reassembled a worship service that doesn't feel "churchy." It is called The Table and it centers around a three-course meal. They are currently hosting The Table every-other month. The next one is Nov. 5th and we are invited to join in this engaging form of worship! Please consider financially supporting Hope Co-op to be the pillars of support this young community needs to get on their feet.

And check out their new website for Hope Co-op: hopecoopsf.com

COMMISSION ON COMMISSIONED RULING ELDERS

A motion was made to recommend Andrew Bellisle and Scott Kenner to become a Commissioned Ruling Elders. **Motion passed.**

COMMISSIONING OF COMMISSIONED RULING ELDERS

Rev. Carolyn Visser and Moderator Diane Janssen Hemmen led a service commissioning Andrew Bellisle and Scott Kenner to limited pastoral service within the Presbytery of South Dakota.

OFFERING

An offering was taken to support the Sturgis Kiwanis Food Bank. The amount collected was \$478.

NECROLOGY REPORT

The Necrology Report was read aloud in honor of the leaders who passed in 2017. Appendix B.

INSTALLATION OF PRESBYTERY MODERATOR

Due to the resignation of Moderator John Armstrong, acting Moderator Janssen Hemmen led a service of installation to install Steven Johnson as Moderator of the Presbytery of South Dakota.

MILEAGE COMMITTEE

Gary Pribyl gave the mileage committee report. The following report was **approved**:

Total Miles Driven: 15,115.20
Mileage subtotal: \$ 2,145.61
Donated to POSD: \$ 297.98
Final Cost: \$ 1,847.63

NEXT MEETING

Moderator Steven Johnson announced the next stated meeting of presbytery is Friday, February 22, 2019 at Camp Rimrock near Rapid City.

ADJOURNMENT

Rev. Denzel Nonhoff led the assembly in song and prayer to end the meeting. Moderator Johnson then **adjourned** presbytery at 4:21 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kevin Veldhuisen
Stated Clerk and Transitional Mission Coordinator

APPENDIX A

Presbytery of South Dakota 2019 Budget

PRESBYTERY INCOME

4001.01	Per Capita Income	155,000
4010.01	Shared Mission	110,000
4020.01	Presbytery Directed Giving	
4050.01	Synod Support (CPS)	15,000
4801.01	Interest Income (investments)	20,000
4901.01	Donations	
4901.02	CRE Matching Gifts	4,000
4990.01	Transfer from other funds	

Total Revenues 304,000

PRESBYTERY EXPENSES

5001.01	GA Per Capita Apportionment	56,358
5002.01	Synod Per Capita Apportionment	34,000
2101.01	GA Shared Mission	7,000
2121.01	Synod Shared Mission	13,000
5110.01	Presbytery Meetings	5,000
5120.01	Presbytery Moderator	1,500
5125.01	Moderator Conference	1,000
5163.01	Presbytery Commissions	1,000

Subtotal 118,858

Administration and Coordination

5210.01	A&C Meetings	6,000
5220.01	Triennial Financial Review	1,500
5240.01	Insurance	17,500

A&C Total 25,000

Camping & Faith Formation

6390.01	Camp	10,000
5900.01	Youth Council	1,000
5913.01	Trienium	2,400
5914.01	Youth Rally	7,000

CFF Total 20,400

Congregational & Pastoral Care

5410.01	Mileage and Operating	3,000
5450.01	Pastor's Retreat	1,000
5320.01	Sessions Records Review	1,000

CPC Total 5,000

Ministry Development & Education

6140.01	Mileage and Operations	2,000
6141.01	Ministry Development	2,000
6142.01	Education	2,000

6,000

Commission for Comm. Ruling Elders

5530.01	CRE Training	5,000
	MDE Total	5,000

Ministry Resource

5610.01	Operations	500
	MR Total	500

Total Presbytery Ministry Team Expenses **61,900**

Staff Expenses

7210.01	Stated Clerk & Mission Coord Salary	48,000
7215.01	Social Security	3,672
7217.01	Pension & Insurance	17,280
7220.01	Travel	12,000
7225.01	Professional Expenses	1,000
7230.01	Continuing Ed	1,000
		82,952

7780.01	Treasurer Salary	5,200
7782.01	Treasurer Travel	1,000
		6,200

7750.01	Communicator	5,200
7757.01	Professional Expenses	500
		5,700

7710.01	Administrative Assist. Salary	23,442
7715.01	FICA	1,950
		25,392

7770.01	Bookkeeping (Synod Financial Services)	4,000
		4,000
	Total - Staff Expenses	124,244

Office Expenses

7810.01	Supplies	2,000
7820.01	Postage	2,000
7830.01	Telephone/Web Site	2,500
7845.01	Background Checks	500
7850.01	Equipment Repair	1,000
7855.01	Maintenance Agreement	500
7870.01	Rent	9,000
7880.01	Miscellaneous	1,000
		18,500

Office Expenses **18,500**

Total Revenues 304,000

Total Expenses 323,502

Net Income -19,502

APPENDIX B

Presbytery of South Dakota Necrology Report for 2017

<u>Church</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Passing</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Brookings, First	James Bailey	May 12, 2017	Elder since 1970
	Alice (Dickson) Dempster	October 31, 2017	Joined First Pres in 1941
	Roger Bierstedt	December 22, 2017	Trustee since 2014
	Roberta Bailey	April 16, 2017	Deacon since 1974
	James L. Jones, Sr	July 23, 2017	Deacon since 1999
Groton, First	Medora Quiggle	October 31, 2017	Taught Sunday School for 20+ years
	Margaret Padfield	August 31, 2017	
Huron, First	Shawn Thelen	January 19, 2017	Elder since 2016
	Betty Decker	April 24, 2017	Member for 50+ years
Lake Andes, First	Bill L. Evans	January 30, 2017	Elder since 1991
	Arelene Huber	March 30, 2017	Long-time Clerk of Session
Lead, First	Mazie Asmussen	November 10, 2017	Elder since 1985
	Rose Nelson	May 11, 2017	
Lemmon, Spencer Memorial	Nona Zielke	January 12, 2017	
	Avon Stotz	February 22, 2017	
	Irene Chapin	July 5, 2017	
	Clifford Englehorn	July 4, 2017	
	Kristie Fay Foster	July 7, 2017	
Martin, Lindsey Memorial	Ardeth Kocourek	May 9, 2017	Elder since 1983
	Fred Cozad	August 8, 2017	Installed as Elder in 1965
	David Farmer	August 3, 2017	Deacon since 2009
McIntosh, First	Marjorie Halverson	August 19, 2017	VBS Coord. and Church Historian
Mitchell, First	Dorothy VanOvershelde	July 11, 2017	Elder since 1993
Parker, First	Charles Stratton	March 3, 2017	Elder since 1977
	Marge Huber	March 24, 2017	
	Bob Bailly	November 21, 2017	
Platte, Olive	Marvin Hoffer	August 28, 2017	Elder since 1990
Rapid City, Big Bend	Alvin "Timer" Allison	December 12, 2017	Elder since 1994
	Albert Christensen	August 12, 2017	Elder since 2000

	James Eugene Hammet	September 1, 2017	Elder since 2006
	Betty Sanders	October 21, 2017	Elder since 1971 (charter member)
	Keo Smith	October 4, 2017	Elder since 1991
Rapid City, First	Beth Kukuk	November 11, 2017	Elder since 1990
	James Keck	May 6, 2017	Elder since 1970
	Marloe Bareis	June 14, 2017	Elder since 1977
	Luetta Brink	March 11, 2017	Deacon since 1984
	Ella Dvorcek	August 20, 2017	Deacon since 1956
	Aldora Remschel	November 11, 2017	Deacon since 1969
	Ruth Fryberger	November 25, 2017	Deacon since 2005
Sioux Falls, First	Janet Brady	February 1, 2017	Elder since 1985
	John Wollman	December 9, 2017	Elder since 2007
	Nellie Reeves	December 27, 2017	
	Charles Gaeckle	January 20, 2017	
	Hermini "Mini" Csordacsics	February 4, 2017	Member for 58 years
	Grace Anderson	March 18, 2017	Member for 76 years
	Suzanne Dixon	March 20, 2017	
	Joseph Lufkins, Jr	April 17, 2017	
	Alan Rickert	May 6, 2017	
	Violet Jensen	August 15, 2017	
	Julius Ashes	August 21, 2017	
	Dawn Wollman	August 30, 2017	
	Lowell Calkins	October 20, 2017	
	Martha "Marty" Braithwaite	October 30, 2017	Member for 64 years
Sioux Falls, Little Stone	Richard Cooksley	June 13, 2017	Elder since 1981
	Edith Wittrock	May 26, 2017	Elder since 2001
Sioux Falls, Westminster	Dick E. Walters	October 15, 2017	Elder since 1973 (charter member)
	Darhl R. Timm	July 20, 2017	Charter Member
	Doris Walters	November 6, 2017	Charter Member
Sioux Falls, Wild Flower	Frederic Volske, Jr	December 22, 2017	
	Ruth Shriver	November 22, 2017	
	Elizabeth Hoffer	October 21, 2017	
Sturgis, First	James Meyer	February 28, 2017	Elder since 1989
	Bernice "Berny" Szymanski	December 11, 2017	Elder since 1979
Veblen, First	Beverly Lien	January 27, 2017	
	David Hansen	January 29, 2017	