

PRESBYTERY HIGHLIGHTS

October 26, 2018 First Presbyterian Church, Sturgis





RETHINKING ELDERSHIP

Our guest speaker, Eric Laverentz of the Elder Leadership Institute, gave a thoughtful presentation on the biblical and historical model of elders as spiritual shepherds of the church. He then led an optional, more detailed, training session the following day.



ENJOYING LUNCH TOGETHER

We enjoyed a great meal of sandwiches and a highly impressive array of salads and desserts. (Many thanks to the kitchen volunteers!) This informal time to gather, connect, and reconnect with each other was a highlight for many who attended. A brief hymn sing followed the meal.



BEGINNINGS & ENDINGS

We examined and approved for ordination Kristi Holler (Marion) and commissioned two new CREs, Andrew Bellisle and Scott Kenner (Westminster, Rapid City). Alongside these new beginnings, we also celebrated the honorable retirement of Rev. Denzel Nonhoff (Sturgis).

BUSINESS RECAP

Significant action items and reports

- 50 voting members were present
- Due to the resignation of Moderator John Armstrong, Steven Johnson (CRE, Willow Lake) was installed as presbytery moderator for 2018-2019
- 2019 budget was presented and approved
- Voted to move annual meeting from June to October, effective 2019
- The Logo and Rebranding Task Force unveiled the new POSD logo and reported on next steps, which include website redesign
- The Commission on Camping and Faith Formation presented a vision for a new retreat center at Rimrock
- POSD has received the second-year Congregational Transformation Grant for \$20,000
- The necrology report was read, prayerfully commemorating those who died in 2017
- Collected an offering of \$478 for the Sturgis Kiwanis Food Bank

Find the complete meeting minutes at presbyteryofsd.org/meetings

Our next POSD meeting will be Friday, February 22, 2019 at Camp Rimrock in Rapid City.

