

***Presbytery of Santa Fe
Called Meeting
First Presbyterian, Belen, NM
June 24, 2017***

I. OPENING

The Presbytery of Santa Fe met on Saturday, June 24, 2017, for a Called Meeting at First Presbyterian in Belen, New Mexico. The meeting was opened at 10:04 a.m. with prayer by Moderator, Teaching Elder Lorelei Kay.

II. ROLL

Stated Clerk, Ruling Elder Stephen Rhoades, declared a **quorum** was present. Roll was taken at registration and 110 persons indicated attendance, of which 95 were voting members. (The number before elder commissioners indicates the number of commissioners allotted for that church).

Ministers of Word and Sacrament (MWS) Members of Presbytery in Attendance

Anthony (Tony) Aja	Ginna Bairby	Mary Ann Banning
Ken Cuthbertson	David Elton	Jeff Finch
Laura Niles Finch	Seth Finch	Michele Goff
Ann Graham-Johnson	Larry Graham-Johnson	Don Grauer
Karl Gustafson	John Guthrie	Tom Hart
Kay Huggins	Bill Humphreys	Lorelei Kay
Robyn Kleinschmidt	Stephanie Kremmel	Ted Mattie
John McGarey	Matthew Miller	Jeff Pearson
Roger Scott Powers	Susan Quass	Jaime Quiñones
Linda Roberts-Baca	Catherine Robinson	Richard Safford
Kathryn Westmoreland	David Whiteley	Ed Wicklein
Robert Woodruff	Frank Yates	Guillermo Yela

Certified Christian Educators in Attendance

Commissioned Pastors of Presbytery in Attendance

Stephen Daniels Marjorie Davison (also listed as commissioner)
Shirley Sandoval (also listed as commissioner)
Gay Veit (also listed as commissioner)

Churches Elder Commissioners Present

ABQ, Covenant	(3)	Clara Boling, Jack Deitz, Linda Sullivan
ABQ, First	(5)	Ron Halbgewachs, Sue Lee, Kirsten Marr, Anna Medendorp, Carolyn Rhodes
ABQ, Immanuel	(2)	Roy Morgan, Mark Snell
ABQ, La Mesa	(3)	Judy Belvin, Beth Pachak, Bob Robie
ABQ, Rio Grande	(1)	Marsha Bedell
ABQ, St. Andrew	(3)	Max Bartlett, Anna Creamer, Phil Witherspoon
ABQ, Sandia	(6)	Jason Galloway, Dave Kirby, Linda Kirby, Phyllis Moore
ABQ, Second	(3)	Susie Chang, Abel McBride, Gloria Mirabal

ABQ, Shepherd of the Valley	(4)	Bryan Beck, Eric Lieberman, Jacque Lieberman
Aztec	(1)	Kris Jones
Belen, First	(1)	Linda Wilson
Chacon, El Rito	(1)	Shirley Sandoval
Cuba	(1)	Ross Smith
Dixon, Embudo	(1)	Betty Mascareñas
Gallup, Westminster	(1)	Valdine Brower
Grants, First	(1)	Jeffrey Smith
Laguna, United	(1)	Lou Ann Johnson
Las Vegas, United	(1)	Karyl Lyne
Los Alamos, White Rock	(1)	Joyce Haven
Mora, First	(1)	Gay Veit
Peñasco, Emmanuel	(1)	Nelson Lopez
Placitas, Las Placitas	(2)	Christine Mink, Virginia Watkins
Ranchos de Taos, Ranchos	(1)	Darryl Bouchard
Raton, First	(1)	Shirley Brooks
Rio Rancho	(3)	Marjorie Davison, Lee Malmo, Arlene Thomas
Santa Fe, First	(4)	Jane Stringfellow
Santa Fe, Westminster	(1)	Cindy Piatt
Socorro, First	(1)	Orban Winton
Taos, First	(1)	Gary Wright

Churches Not Represented by Ruling Elders

ABQ, New Life	(1)
Angel Fire, United	(1)
Chimayo, El Buen Pastor	(1)
Datil, Community	(1)
Farmington, First	(4)
Glenwood	(1)
Jemez Springs	(1)
Los Alamos, United	(1)
Magdalena, Community	(1)
Truchas, Smith Memorial	(1)

Former Moderators in Attendance

Marty Bruner
 Anna Creamer (also listed under commissioners)
 Laura Niles Finch (also listed under Teaching Elders)
 Kay Huggins (also listed under Teaching Elders)
 Elizabeth Morgan (also listed under commissioners)
 Frank Yates (also listed under Teaching Elders)

Officers of the Presbytery and Committee Moderators in Attendance

George Austin
 Bill Belvin
 George Huggins
 Karyl Lyne (also listed under Ruling Elder Commissioners)

Elizabeth Morgan (also listed under Ruling Elder Commissioners)
Stephen Rhoades
Susan Keil Smith
Debbie Steffen

Excused

MWS/CPs/Certified Christian Educator Members:

Claudia Aguilar	Sara Armstrong	Andrew Black
Woody Brown	Katherine Cameron	Lisa Easterling
Harry Eberts	Jan Gough	Elizabeth Graham
Kelly Gregory	Drew Henry	Doug Hucke
Kay Johnson	Ed Katzenberger	Joyce Lieberman
Bobbie McGarey	Matthew Miller	Craig Nakagawa
Katie Palmer	Randy Pence	Glenn Perica
Matt Pooley	Richard Safford	Takako Terino
David Whiteley	Libby Whiteley	Rob Woodruff

MWS/CPs/ Certified Christian Educator Members Not Excused:

Richard Gould	Steve Gribble	Trey Hammond
Suzanne Hewett	Laura Kuster	David Martinez
Jamie Harris Martinez		

III. DOCKET/RULES OF DECORUM/CONSENT AGENDA

Presbytery APPROVED the following Docket. Presbytery also APPROVED the Rules of Decorum and the Consent Agenda (no items were pulled).

**Presbytery of Santa Fe
First Presbyterian Church, Belen, NM
June 24, 2017**

Gathering the People of God

9:00 AM Registration opens

9:30 AM New Commissioner Orientation

10:00 AM

Lorelei Kay, Moderator

Convene with Prayer

Call to Worship Psalm 100

Ben Sanchez

*Gathering Hymns

Declaration of Quorum

Stephen Rhoades, Stated Clerk

Approval of Docket(#1) (Including Rules of Decorum #1a) and Consent Agenda (#1b) (Any item on the Consent Agenda can be removed from the Consent Agenda by objection from any commissioner for discussion and vote later in this meeting.)

Action: That the Presbytery adopt the docket for this meeting, as submitted/as amended (#1) subject to adjustment as may be necessary and at the discretion of the Presbytery Moderator

Action: Adopt the rules of decorum (#1a) as attached and made part of this docket.

Action: That the Presbytery adopt the Consent Agenda (#1b)

- 1. That the roll for this meeting of Presbytery be made up of those persons whose names have been recorded at the registration desk**
- 2. That Presbytery grant to the Moderator the authority to grant privilege of the floor to persons for the purpose of reporting to this meeting**
- 3. That the Moderator and Stated Clerk be empowered to make adjustments in the docket during the meeting, as may be necessary, to provide for efficiency in reporting**
- 4. Approve Report 2, 02252017 Minutes**
- 5. Receive 2016 Presbytery Statistical Report (#4a)**
- 6. Receive Session Records Review (#4b)**

Welcome from Belen First Laura & Jeff Finch, Co-Pastors

Seating of Corresponding Members

Action: That the Presbytery seat the following corresponding members, with voice but without vote (the Stated Clerk will provide the list).

Introduction of New Commissioners

Appointment of New Business Committee (*Please give new business items to the Stated Clerk no later than 11:45 a.m.) The moderator will appoint seven people to serve on the New Business Committee. This committee will meet during lunch.

Faith Sharing (#12b)

Ted Mattie, HR

Listening for God's Word to Us

10:15 AM – Who Speaks for the Presbytery and How Do We Listen To Each Other?

12:00-12:45 Meal

Continuing to Listen for God's Word to Us

Scripture Reading **Luke 15: 1-3 & 11-32**

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32: A Choral Reading for 4 adults or youth

Source: Calvin Institute of Christian Worship, Jo-Elizabeth Lawrence from the NRSV

Resource type: Enacted Scripture <http://worship.calvin.edu/resources/resource-library/luke-15-11-32-a-choral-reading-for-4-adults-or-youth/>

Published: July 3, 2012

Adapted by Susan Quass

Readers: Jeff Finch, Seth Finch, Luke Rembold, Frank Yates

Message **"Of Elder Brothers and Missing Mothers"**

Susan Quass,
New Mexico Conference of Churches
Ken Cuthbertson

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Responding to God's Word

Our Offerings – Reports & Actions

Response: For the work of God's people...

"We give you thanks, O Lord!"

Report from the Moderator

Lorelei Kay

Recognition and Dismissal with Thanks of the Implementation Team

Report from Stated Clerk (#4)

Stephen Rhoades

Consideration of Overtures to General Assembly

Action: Amending G-3.0307 – Names of Ordered Ministry (#4c)

Action: Amending portions of new Directory for Worship (11 items) (#4d)

Reports from Commissions and Committees and Task Forces

Coordinating Team (#20) (5 minutes)

Elizabeth Morgan

Commission on Ministry (#12) (5 minutes)

Stephen Daniels

Action: That the presbytery approve the 2017 Terms of Call (#12a) (highlighted items have not been received)

Action: That the presbytery approve the honorable retirement of Glenn Perica from active service effective June 30, 2017

Commission on Representation & Participation (2 minutes)

George Austin

Action: That the presbytery elect Ted Mattie (TE) to the 2018 class of ENC to replace David Cameron

Stewardship Team (5 minutes)

John Guthrie

Finance and Property (#60) (5 minutes)

Debbie Steffen

Action: That the presbytery approve authorization for Administrator to cease paying real property taxes on two lots: Lot 7, Block 2, Rio Rancho Estates, Unit 7 assessed value of \$1,089 and Taos County near Tres Piedras Lot H, Block 37, Tres Piedras Estates, Unit 2 assessed value of \$636. The 2 lots can then be sold by the State for non-payment of real property taxes after 3 years of non-payment.

Action: That the presbytery approve a 6-month lease extension of the John Hyson property to Barrios Unidos with the following conditions: a September or October evaluation of the programs actually conducted on the site; a Barrios Unidos relationship with the Chimayo Church and the community; and improvements to the property.

Action: That the presbytery approve the sale of Chamisal Church property by Emmanuel Presbyterian Church as seller to Miguel and Samantha Rodriguez as purchasers for \$61,000: La Plaza Chamisal NM 87579, Situated in section 5, T. 22 N., R.12 E, N.M.P.M vicinity of Taos County. Title will be conveyed as a Special Warranty Deed. The purchasers are putting a down payment of \$40,000 and the balance will be financed, by the Church, as a New Mexico form of Real Estate Contract.

Action: That the presbytery approve the sale of the Cordova property by the Presbytery to the Pentecostal Church of God for \$5,000: three parcels of land consisting of the former Cordova church property and other nearby parcels totaling 0.07 acres, more or less located within the village of El Quemado (now Cordova) within the Nuestra Senora del Rosario San Fernando y Santiago Grant in the proposed Southeast quarter of Section 34, Township 21 North, Range 10 East, New Mexico Principal Meridian, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

Treasurer's Report (#60a, #62)

Bill Belvin

Action: That the presbytery receive the Financial Reports

Youth & Young Adult/Young Adult Volunteer Update

Luke Rembold

Presbyterian Women – Introduction to Disaster Preparedness Training (7 min.)

Susan Smith

150th Anniversary Committee (5 minutes)

Susan Smith

Faith Sharing (#12c)

Dori Hjalmarson,
To be Ordained as Mission Co-Worker to Honduras

Our Offering of Resources: To be given to Belen Food Bank

Prayer of Dedication

Hollis Wilson

*Hymn (sing twice)

Faith Sharing (#12d)

Mary Ann Banning, HR

3:30 PM New Business
Announcements and Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Sent Out in Jesus' Name

*Hymn (sing three times with each iteration being faster than the last)

3:45 PM **Charge and Adjournment with Closing Prayer**

Report #1a

Report #1a – Rules of Decorum

1. That these be the guidelines for the conducting of business at this meeting:
 - a. Out of courtesy, when Presbytery is debating, all remarks shall be addressed to the moderator and shall be made from the floor.
 - b. In the interest of time and to allow as many as possible to speak, speeches will be strictly limited to 2 minutes. Persons wishing to speak should move to the appropriate microphone. So there is clarity, a speaker should begin by saying, "I speak for (or against) the amendment..."The moderator will rotate between calling on a person in favor, and then a person opposed, etc.
 - c. Remarks shall be confined to the pending question. The moderator will interrupt if in his/her judgment the speaker has drifted from the pending question.
 - d. Commissioners may not refer adversely to prior acts of Presbytery not pending now.
 - e. Remarks shall not impugn another commissioner or that person's motives.
 - f. Distribution of reports or documents shall not be done during the meeting.
 - g. Commissioners shall not disturb the meeting, by applause or verbal response to remarks made by a commissioner, or in response to a vote.
 - h. Each commissioner may speak twice on a subject but may not speak the second time until everyone who wishes has spoken.

Report #1b

CONSENT AGENDA

Any item can be removed from the list by a commissioner. Minor spelling/editing to minutes can be handed to the Stated Clerk for inclusion.

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IV. WELCOME AND ARRANGEMENTS

MWS Laura Finch, co-pastor at Belen First, Socorro First and Magdalena Community Presbyterian, welcomed the presbytery.

V. CORRESPONDING MEMBERS AND NEW COMMISSIONERS

The Presbytery WELCOMED all first-time commissioners introduced at the meeting. There were no corresponding members present.

VI. NEW BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Moderator Lorelei Kay announced that the following persons were appointed to the New Business Committee for this meeting:

To Chair: MWS Ginna Bairby

Elders: Clara Boling, Joyce Haven, Nelson Lopez, Cindy Piatt, Jason Galloway

MWS: John McGarey

She announced that any new business for the meeting must be given in writing to the Stated Clerk by 11:45 a.m.

VII. FAITH SHARING

Moderator Kay introduced MWS Ted Mattie, who came before the Presbytery to be introduced and to share a brief portion of his faith journey. He is Honorably Retired and transferred his membership from the Presbytery of the Northwest Coast.

VIII. WHO SPEAKS FOR THE PRESBYTERY

Moderator Kay gave some background on a letter from the Coordinating Team that went out to local papers taking a stand on an issue on behalf of the presbytery which received both positive and negative feedback. The Coordinating Team sought some clarity from the presbytery on who could speak on behalf of the presbytery and

when and how that would happen. Commissioners met at tables to give their input on this issue. They reported back to the presbytery on their discussion and turned in documents with their comments.

The Presbytery recessed for lunch at 12:00 noon with a prayer by Moderator Kay.

The Presbytery reconvened at 12:47 p.m. with a hymn.

IX. WORSHIP

The Presbytery meeting was planned so that worship took place throughout the meeting. The presbytery meeting is worshipful work. The Rev. Susan Quass, Directory of the New Mexico Conference of Churches, preached a sermon on “Of Elder Brothers and Missing Mothers.” The presbytery celebrated the Lord’s Supper, led by MWS Ken Cuthbertson, HR.

X. MODERATOR’S REPORT

Moderator Kay gave the Moderator’s Report highlighting some of the events she has attended and reminding the presbytery that they are here to inspire one another and lift each other up.

Response: For the work of God’s people...

“We give you thanks, O Lord!”

XI. STATED CLERK REPORT

After a motion from Stated Clerk Stephen Rhoades, the Presbytery APPROVED the following overture.

The Presbytery of Santa Fe respectfully overtures the 223rd General Assembly of the PCUSA as follows: Amend G-3.0307 as follows: [Text to be deleted is shown with a strike-through; text to be added or inserted is shown as bold and/or italic.]

G-3.0307 Pastor, Counselor, and Advisor to its ~~Pastors~~ Ministers of Word and Sacrament and Congregations

Presbyteries shall be open at all times to communication regarding the life and ministry of their congregations.

Each presbytery shall develop and maintain mechanisms and processes to serve as pastor and counselor to its ~~pastors, both~~ *ministers of Word and Sacrament, ruling elders commissioned to pastoral service commissioned pastors, (also called commissioned pastors (also known as commissioned ruling elders), as well as the* and certified Christian educators of the presbytery; to facilitate the relations between the presbytery and its congregations, ~~pastors, ministers of Word and Sacrament, commissioned pastors,~~ and certified Christian educators; and to settle difficulties on behalf of the presbytery where possible and expedient.

Rationale: The Presbytery of Santa Fe was one of the concurring presbyteries on the 2016 overture that became Amendment 16-C, recommendations C.1 through C.8, ratified by a majority of the presbyteries. We are mindful of the valid criticism of recommendation 16-C.6 (G-3.0307) raised by the Advisory Committee on the Constitution, as well as other concerns about repetitive wording. We believe this can be easily remedied by our proposed amendment.

The Stated Clerk proposed that all ten changes to the Directory of Worship be submitted to one omnibus vote, unless any commissioner wished to remove any individual item for discussion and deliberation. Based upon commissioner objections, Items 1, 4, 7 and 8 were removed from the omnibus vote. The Presbytery by omnibus vote APPROVED all other changes to the Directory of Worship, except for the removed items.

Preliminary statement: In offering the following revisions and amendments to the Directory for Worship, the Presbytery of Santa Fe is deeply grateful for the hard work of all who prepared and presented the new Directory adopted in 2017. As our constitutional guide for understanding and planning worship in the PCUSA, it is an extremely important document in the ongoing life of the denomination. It is our hope and prayer that what we offer will only help to make a good document even better. We have chosen to offer our proposals as items, each with their own rationale, and each intended, if passed by the General Assembly, to be voted on individually by the presbyteries.

Therefore:

The Presbytery of Santa Fe respectfully overtures the 223rd General Assembly of the PCUSA as follows:

Item 1 – At W-1.0304, to amend the third paragraph as follows (words to be added in *italics*):

Whenever and wherever we gather in Jesus' name, we join the praise and prayer of the people of God in every time and place. Therefore, it is fitting that we share stories and sing songs from cultures other than our own as we pray for and with the Church throughout the world. *At the same time, care should be taken not to use sacred rites and practices from other cultures or faith traditions without due consideration, respectful dialogue, and proper permission. By respecting the integrity of other cultures, we honor the image of God in each person.*

Rationale: While it is good to seek ways in which to be cross-cultural, transcultural, and intercultural, we also need to be sensitive to issues of cultural appropriation. Without setting any hard and fast rule, this suggested wording attempts to address that.

While adopting some things (prayers, songs, and some practices) from another faith or culture may be relatively benign, other expressions of worship may be seen as so integral and distinctive to a faith tradition or culture that it can be seen as an intrusion or violation to appropriate it into Christian worship.

Particularly sensitive in this regard has been the question of Christians celebrating a Passover Seder integrating the Lord's Supper during Holy week or the Easter Season. This is offensive to many in the Jewish Community. On the other hand, particularly in interfaith households, and for some larger interfaith gatherings, there are occasions when Jews, Christians, and others may celebrate the Seder together. Some guiding texts are available for such occasions.

A second common example is the inclusion of some Native American elements in Christian worship, again with the need to take care that what is done does not intrude, violate, or dishonor the peoples with whom they originate.

Item 2 - At W-3.0101: *The Day of Resurrection*, to amend as follows (portion to be added in *italics*):

We gather to worship God on the Lord's Day (Sunday) because the gospels testify that Jesus rose from the dead early on the first day of the week. The Lord's Day is also called the "eighth day" of creation, a sign of the new creation that has begun with Christ's resurrection. *Like the Jewish sabbath, the Lord's Day is a day for holy rest and spiritual renewal for faith communities as well as individuals and families.* While we may worship God on any day and at any time, the Sunday service in particular is a celebration of Christ's resurrection and an anticipation of the fullness of God's coming reign.

Rationale: The intention behind proposing this addition to the Directory for worship is that it is too common for worship and church programming to get overloaded on Sundays. In directly guiding the planning and conduct of worship for the Lord's Day, this addition to this particular paragraph and chapter would serve as a helpful reminder to remember the need for, and benefit of, congregational Sabbath time.

Item 3 – At *W-3.0205: Confession and Forgiveness*, to add to the end of the third paragraph (portion to be added in *italics*):

In some circumstances it may be appropriate for the sacrament of Baptism (W-3.0307, W-3.0402–3.0408) to be administered at this point in the worship service.

Rationale: W-3.0205 already establishes the link between confession and forgiveness, and the Sacrament of Baptism. In practice, for duly considered pastoral reasons, many ministers of Word and Sacrament over the years have chosen to include the administration of Baptism at this point in the service, rather than later, especially with infants and younger children. Besides accommodating family needs, it can also make it more possible for other small children to be present to witness the sacrament, and be reminded of their own baptisms. In addition to practical reasons, there may be times when it is pastorally and symbolically significant for the person or persons being baptized to receive this sacrament of forgiveness, reconciliation, and assurance at this point in the service. In giving guidance to the ordering of worship, it is appropriate for the Directory to include this option.

Item 4 – At *W-3.0409: Theology of the Lord’s Supper*, in the fifth paragraph, to change the wording (indicated by strike through and *italics*) as follows:

The opportunity to eat and drink with Christ is not a right bestowed upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. All who come to the table are offered the bread and cup, regardless of their age or understanding. If some of those who come have not ~~yet~~ been baptized, an *appropriate* invitation to baptismal preparation and Baptism should be graciously extended.

Rationale: The changes suggested here are very slight. It has been said that discerning an invitation to the Lord’s Supper is also an invitation to baptism. This is certainly true In the case of unbaptized children, youth, and others seeking membership in a community of faith. There are, however, Christian believers from non-sacramental Christian bodies such as the Society of Friends and Salvation Army, who may have occasion to be attending services with us and find themselves moved by the Holy Spirit to accept the invitation to participate in the Lord’s Supper, and yet not to seek baptism. Simply dropping the word “yet” more clearly allows for this. Including the word “appropriate” serves as a reminder that matters such as age, competency, and faith tradition (as preceding) should be borne in mind.

Item 5– At *W-3.0412: Great Thanksgiving* and *W-3.0413: Breaking the Bread*, to add the wording (indicated by *italics*) as follows:

W-3.0412: Great Thanksgiving

Following the offering and the preparation of the table, a minister of Word and Sacrament† invites worshipers to the Lord’s Supper using sentences of Scripture (*including the institution narrative, if not used elsewhere*). At the table, facing the people, the minister of Word and Sacrament shall lead the people in a prayer to the triune God: giving thanks for God’s creative power, providential care, and covenant faithfulness, along with particular blessings of the day; remembering God’s acts of salvation through Jesus’ birth, life, death, resurrection, ascension, and promised return, as well as Jesus’ institution of the Sacrament (if not otherwise spoken at the invitation to the table or the breaking of the bread); and calling on the Holy Spirit to draw worshipers into the presence of the risen Lord, nourish them in the body and blood of Christ, unite them with Christ in the communion of saints and the Church in every place, and send them in mission to the world. The prayer ends with praise to the triune God. Musical acclamations, such as “Holy, holy, holy,” “Christ has died,” and “Amen,” may be included. The Lord’s Prayer follows.

W-3.0413: Breaking the Bread

At the table, in full view of the people, the minister of Word and Sacrament† breaks the bread and pours the cup, or lifts a cup that has already been filled. These actions may be accompanied by sentences of Scripture (*including the institution narrative, if not used elsewhere*) or performed in silence. The use of one loaf and one cup expresses the unity of the body of Christ and the communal nature of the Sacrament. The bread used for the Lord’s Supper should be common to the culture of the congregation; those who prepare the bread shall make provision for the full participation of the congregation. The session will determine whether wine is used; a non-alcoholic option shall be provided and clearly identified.

Rationale: Reference to the “institution narrative” is somewhat hidden away and easy to miss in W-3.0412. These additions at additional key places, where the narrative frequently appears in Reformed celebrations of the Lord’s

Supper, help to remedy that. This is important because inclusion of the narrative is seen as normative to the administration of the Lord's Supper by churches of the Reformed Tradition and essential in the greater family of Orthodox, Roman Catholic, and other Protestant Communion. (See, for example, the World Council of Churches Faith and Order Paper 111: Baptism, Eucharist, and Ministry, 1982).

Item 6 – At *W-3.0414: Communion*, in the second paragraph, to edit as follows (indicated by strike through and *italics*):

When all have received the bread and cup the remaining elements are placed on the table. ~~The minister of Word and Sacrament then leads the people in prayer~~ *A prayer follows*, thanking God for the gift of the Sacrament and asking for grace to live and serve faithfully until the coming of Christ's realm in fullness.

Rationale: Although certain portions of the administration of the Lord's Supper (institution narrative, breaking the bread and pouring the cup, and the invocation of the Holy Spirit) are widely held to be particular to the role and function of ministers of Word and Sacrament, offering or leading the prayer after Communion need not be similarly restricted. Asking a ruling elder, deacon, or another who has been invited to serve to lead this prayer is appropriate to our Reformed understandings both of ordered ministry and the priesthood of all believers.

Item 7 – At *W-5.0104: Household Worship*, adding a new second sentence in the second paragraph (indicated in *italics*):

We respond to God's grace in the context of personal relationships, particularly when Christians who live together worship together. *Historically, household worship has been a central and important practice within the Reformed tradition, an important means of faith formation.* Opportunities for household or family worship include: sabbath-keeping and rhythms of daily prayer; Bible reading, study, or memorization; prayers before meals; singing hymns, psalms, and spiritual songs; and expressions of giving, sharing, and service to others. Congregations are encouraged to nurture and equip households and families for these practices.

Rationale: As witnessed by numerous accounts and memoirs (example: Robert Burns's warm-hearted poem, "The Cotter's Saturday Night"), the practice of household worship has a particularly strong and distinctive place in the Reformed Tradition. In noting this, the suggested wording also emphasizes the function of the practice in faith formation.

Item 8 – At *W-5.0104: Household Worship*, adding a new third paragraph, as follows:

Prayers of thanks and blessing at the household table draw upon ancient Jewish practice, and on the example of Jesus, his disciples, and the early Christian community. As the worshipping community gives thanks for God's providence at the Lord's Supper, so prayers at household meals provide an opportunity for remembering God's gracious sustenance of our lives and Jesus's giving of himself to and for us. We respond with heartfelt thanks and praise in the sharing of our daily bread.

Rationale: In expanding the biblical context in which we understand the Lord's Supper (*W-3.0409: Theology of the Lord's Supper* – "Jesus shared meals with his followers throughout his earthly life and ministry..."), the Directory for Worship implicitly re-contextualizes the practice of prayer at meals. While administration of the Lord's Supper in the

Reformed Tradition is largely limited to a congregational setting under the leadership of ministers of Word and Sacrament and ruling elders, household prayers at meals can be viewed as a sort of *para*-sacramental practice, as well as being tied to historic Jewish practice (Example: Shabbat observance) and family traditions (Example: prayer at table on Thanksgiving Day and other holidays). The intent of this added paragraph is to guide households in the practice of prayer at meals, to help make the practice richer and more meaningful.

Item 9 – At W-5.0204: Pastoral Care, adding the words “spiritual direction” in the third paragraph (indicated in *italics*):

All members are called to take part in the ministry of pastoral care, visiting the sick, supporting the weak, and comforting those who mourn. Ruling elders, deacons, and ministers of Word and Sacrament have particular responsibility for the exercise of pastoral care within the community of faith. Those with special gifts and appropriate training may be called to the ministries of *spiritual direction*, pastoral counseling, or chaplaincy. In certain circumstances, persons may need to be referred to other qualified and credentialed professionals to receive appropriate counseling and care.

Rationale: The new Directory for Worship is, in many ways, equally a guide for spiritual formation. Among the practices of spiritual formation that have emerged in the PCUSA over the last generation, spiritual direction is a particularly important pastoral practice. Pioneered by the late former Moderator Howard Rice, various of our seminaries offer training in spiritual formation and in spiritual direction. “Appropriate” training is stressed by associations of spiritual directors such as Spiritual Directors International. Adding spiritual direction into this section of the Directory would be both a recognition of this ministry, and provide some guidance (as per training) in practice.

(Editorial Note: Please notice the adjusted punctuation.)

Item 10 – At W-5.0204: Pastoral Care, revising the fourth paragraph (as indicated by strike through and *italics*) as follows:

Services of wholeness and healing are one way of enacting the church’s ministry of pastoral care. The central element in these services is prayer, calling upon God’s saving grace or giving thanks for healing

Services of wholeness and healing are one way of enacting the church’s ministry of pastoral care. The central element in these services is prayer, calling upon God’s saving grace or giving thanks for healing received, *in life and in death, in body, mind, or spirit*. A service of wholeness includes the proclamation of the Word, focusing on the promise of ~~abundant~~ *peace and ultimate well-being through* life in Christ. Prayer may be enacted through the laying on of hands and anointing with oil, provided that these actions are carefully introduced and interpreted: healing ~~always~~ *in its many forms* comes as a gift from God, not as a ~~product~~ *an accomplishment* of human prayer. The Lord’s Supper is a fitting way to seal the promise of wholeness proclaimed in the Word. Services of wholeness are to be authorized by the session and are under the direction of the minister of Word and Sacrament†, but may involve leadership from ruling elders, deacons, and others with gifts for prayer. They may take place on a regular basis, as an occasional event, or as a part of the Service for the Lord’s Day.

Rationale: The concern behind this suggested revision is itself pastoral. In the setting of a study of the new Directory for Worship in a particular congregation, concern was expressed around what “healing” is, and about why... when it seems so many prayers for healing “go unanswered”... we still “bother” to pray in this way. Such concerns are voiced in many ways and places. The suggested changes are an attempt to address them in a biblically and theologically appropriate way.

Item 11 – At W-5.0201: *The Church’s Ministry within the Community of Faith* and W-5.0301: *The Church’s Mission in the World*, offer a stronger emphasis on the theme of discipleship (as indicated by bold and/or *italics*):

W-5.0201: The Church’s Ministry within the Community of Faith

God calls the Church in the name of Jesus Christ to mutual love, *discipleship*, and service. Jesus’ ministry and the church’s worship are deeply connected; indeed, worship is ministry. The church’s ministry springs from its worship, where God builds up the body of Christ through the gifts of the Holy Spirit. The church’s ministry flows back into worship as we bring to God the celebrations and concerns of the community of faith.

Within the church, we seek to love and serve one another through the rhythm of daily prayer, the ministries of Christian education and pastoral care, the activities of councils of the church, and other gatherings of believers. The church’s ministries are shaped and nourished by the Word and Sacraments, and are to be carried out in the spirit of *faithful discipleship and* constant prayer (F-1.0301; F-1.0302a; F-1.0303; F-1.0403).

W-5.0301: The Church’s Mission in the World

God sends the Church in the power of the Holy Spirit to join the mission of Jesus Christ in *discipleship and* service to the world. Jesus’ mission and the church’s worship are deeply connected; indeed, worship is mission. The church’s mission springs from its worship, where we glimpse the reality and the promise of God’s eternal realm. The church’s mission flows back into worship as we bring to God the joy and suffering of the world.

Through its mission in the world, the church *as a community of disciples* seeks to bear witness to God’s reign through the proclamation of the gospel, acts of compassion, work for justice and peace, and the care of creation. The church’s mission is shaped and nourished by the Word and Sacraments, and represents the living out of our prayer for the world (F-1.01; F-1.0303; F-1.0304).

Rationale: The emphasis on “discipleship” found elsewhere in the Directory for worship, and in the Foundations of Presbyterian Polity (F-1.0303), suggested this small but important addition. There has been much emphasis in recent years on the “missional” nature of the church, but the formational aspect of “discipleship” in faith and life is of comparable importance. Mission speaks to the apostolic work of Christians; but, the Apostles of Jesus were first his disciples, called, formed, and trained by him, and ministering in his name and under his direction. So are we.

(Editorial Note: If a title change is desired, it may best serve to make a change to the title of the entire fifth chapter, as in **Chapter Five: Worship and Discipleship in Christian Life**. Please also notice the adjusted punctuation.)

Items 1, 4, 7 and 8 were pulled. The Presbytery APPROVED all items except 1, 4, 7, and 8.

A motion was made to amend Item 1 striking the words “proper permission” in this sentence. *At the same time, care should be taken not to use sacred rites and practices from other cultures or faith traditions without due consideration, respectful dialogue, and ~~proper permission~~. By respecting the integrity of other cultures, we honor the image of God in each person.* The Presbytery APPROVED the amended language. The motion to approve Item 1 as amended FAILED.

Item 4 was amended to remove the word “appropriate” and to add, “when appropriate.” Presbytery APPROVED the amendment. Presbytery APPROVED Item 4 as amended.

Original version

The opportunity to eat and drink with Christ is not a right bestowed upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. All who come to the table are offered the bread and cup, regardless of their age or understanding. If some of those who come have not yet been baptized, an *appropriate* invitation to baptismal preparation and Baptism should be graciously extended.

Amended version

The opportunity to eat and drink with Christ is not a right bestowed upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. All who come to the table are offered the bread and cup,

regardless of their age or understanding. If some of those who come have not yet been baptized, an invitation, **when appropriate**, to baptismal preparation and Baptism should be graciously extended.

Presbytery APPROVED Item 7.

Presbytery APPROVED Item 8.

The Stated Clerk then informed the presbytery that he is contacting the clerks of session asking for copies of the deeds and insurance for each church, so that we can make sure that insurance is adequate and that we have backup copies of deeds in the presbytery office.

Response: For the work of God's people...

“We give you thanks, O Lord!”

XII. COORDINATING TEAM

Ruling Elder Elizabeth Morgan, Chair of the Coordinating Team, updated the presbytery on actions taken by CT on the presbytery's behalf.

Response: For the work of God's people...

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XIII. COMMISSION ON MINISTRY

Commissioned Pastor, Stephen Daniels, Co-Chair of the Commission on Ministry, presented the COM Report. Presbytery APPROVED the Terms of Call report (Appendix A).

Presbytery APPROVED the honorable retirement of MWS Glenn Perica, Farmington First, effective June 30, 2017.

Since the last report to Presbytery on February 25, 2017, the COM met at the Presbytery Office on Fridays, March 3, April 7, May 5, and June 2, 2017.

B. ACTIONS TAKEN UNDER AUTHORITY AS A COMMISSION

(No Presbytery Action Required)

1. NEW PASTORS RECEIVED AND/OR INSTALLED:

a. In March COM approved the plans for Virginia Bairby's installation as Pastor at Taos, First: March 26, 2017, at 5:00 PM: Ruling Elders: JoAnn Ortiz, Taos, First; Bryan Beck, Shepherd of the Valley; Stephen Daniels, Peñasco, Emmanuel; and invited: Shirley Sandoval, Chicon, El Rito; and Teaching Elders: Rob Craig, Michele Goff, Stephanie Kremmel, and invited: Katie Palmer. Teaching Elder and Presbytery Moderator, the Rev. Lorelai Kay served as Moderator. Other participants invited and planning to participate are the Rev. Meg Peery McLaughlin, Burke Presbyterian Church, Burke, Virginia; and the Rev. Father Mike Olsen, St. James Episcopal Church, Taos. In April COM celebrated that the installation had occurred; the Rev. Robyn Kleinschmidt had replaced the Rev. Stephanie Kremmel on the commission.

b. In March COM approved Takako Terino's plans for installation at Menaul School as Chaplain on March 8, 2017; 2:00 PM.

c. In March COM approved the plans for Marjorie Davison's Commissioning: Sunday March 19 at 10 am at

Rio Rancho Presbyterian Church, during the morning worship service, as Parish Associate: Ruling Elder Bryan Beck, moderator elect, to preside; the Rev. Jaime Quiñones, HR; the Rev. Kay Huggins, HR; Ruling Elder Anna Creamer, St. Andrew Presbyterian Church; and Ruling Elder Michael Thayer, Rio Rancho Presbyterian Church

d. in April COM approved plans for the Rev. Michele Goff to be installed as Pastor at Aztec on May 21, 2017, at 5:00 PM. The Rev. Lorelei Kay, Presbytery Moderator, with moderate the Commission, which will include Teaching Elders: Tom Hart, Glenn Perica, Ken Cuthbertson, and Virginia Bairby; and Ruling Elders: CRE, Stephen Daniels; Bryan Beck, and Kit Doerfert, Aztec Clerk of Session. Also invited to attend and participate are Kevin Henderson, Ruling Elder from Sheppards and Lapsley Presbytery; Fr. David Tate of St. Joseph's and Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church, the Rev. Rebecca Morgan, UCC.

e. in May COM approved plans, if the way be clear, for the Presbytery of Santa Fe to ordain Sarah Chivington-Buck: Sarah on behalf and at the request of Cimarron Presbytery: to be held at First Presbyterian Church, ABQ, on Sunday, June 18, at 3:00 PM; the Commission includes the Rev. Matthew Miller, First ABQ; the Rev. Jaime Quiñones, HR; and the Rev. Paul Debenport, HR; and Ruling Elders: Libby Whiteley, First, ABQ; Bryan Beck, Shepherd of the Valley, ABQ; and Marj Austin, Rio Rancho Pres. Also invited to attend and participate is the Rev. Rob Martin of San Jose Presbytery and the Rev. Sue Joiner, UCC. The Rev. Lorelei Kay will moderate the commission.

2. MEMBERS AT LARGE AND HONORABLY RETIRED MEMBERS RECEIVED

-In April COM examined and received into the Presbytery the Rev. Mary Ann Banning, HR from Plains & Peaks Presbytery effective April 7, 2017, as an HR member of presbytery.

3. CONTRACTS APPROVED:

Parish Associates: COM approved Parish Associate relationships as follows:

In March: - Larry Graham-Johnson with Smith Memorial and El Buen Pastor Presbyterian Churches - \$75 per Sunday for preaching;

- Jaime Quiñones, with Second Presbyterian Church, ABQ - \$100 per Sunday for preaching;

- Kay Huggins, with Second Presbyterian Church, ABQ - \$1000 per year and \$100 per Sunday for preaching;

In April: Andrew Black with First Presbyterian Church, Santa Fe - \$5,040 per year as housing;

In May: - Frank Yates with First Presbyterian Church, ABQ - \$15,000 per year plus half of SECA.

In May: Jim Collie with La Mesa Presbyterian Church, ABQ – no remuneration.

Stated Supply:

In April COM approved the following Stated Supply contracts:

-Ann Graham-Johnson, with Truchas, Smith Memorial and Chimayo, El Buen Pastor - \$10,000 in salary, \$1,200 in housing, \$200 in continuing ed plus .37 a mile;

-Linda Roberts-Baca with Rio Grande - \$5,700 in salary, 20,500 in housing, \$400 for continuing education, \$200 for other vouchered allowances.

Interim/Bridge Contract:

In May, COM approved a bridge contract, if the way be clear, between the Rev. Bill Humphreys and Immanuel Presbyterian, ABQ. The financial details of the contract are still being worked out and will be reviewed and approved by the co-moderators of COM. The start date will be June 22.

4. CHANGE IN MINISTERIAL STATUS/

a. In March COM approved Glenn Perica's plan to work toward the end of his call at Farmington, effective June 30, 2017.

b. In March COM concurred with David Cameron that, pending approval of the congregation, his call at ABQ, Immanuel, would terminate effective March 31, 2017.

c. In March COM learned from Ed Katzenberger of his plans to end his relationship with the congregation in Grants in March and move toward a relationship with a Mennonite congregation in Albuquerque. In April COM acted to consider the new relationship a validated ministry.

d. In March COM learned from John Guthrie of his plans to seek termination of his contract with Los Alamos, White Rock, no later than December 31, 2017.

e. In March COM learned that Kathryn Johnson Cameron had accepted a call to a church in North Carolina and that she would be transferring her membership.

f. In March COM listed Laura Kuster, who is doing chaplaincy, in Validated Ministry.

g. In April COM moved the name of the Rev. Susan Quass from at-large to validated ministry for her work as Executive Director for the New Mexico Conference of Churches.

h. In May COM approved the transfer of Presbytery membership of the Rev. Cheryl Finch to the Presbytery of the Redwoods for her work there as an interim pastor, effective 3/19/17.

5. MODERATORS APPOINTED:

a. In March, Frank Yates as Moderator of Session for Albuquerque Immanuel on an interim basis.

b. In April, Lorna Kuyk as Moderator of Session for Grants First.

6. TRIENNIAL VISITS COMPLETED:

-Truchas, Smith Memorial, on February 19, 2017;

-ABQ, First, on March 28, 2017;

-Las Placitas on April 11;

-ABQ, Second on May 9;

-Santa Fe, First on May 17;

-Datil, on May 28.

7. EXAMINATIONS CONDUCTED:

a. Don Grauer was examined by a committee of COM at the October 2016 meeting of the presbytery and recommended for membership in the Presbytery. COM accepted Don Grauer into Presbytery membership effective October, 2016 (and inadvertently not reported to the February 25, 2017 meeting of Presbytery).

b. Dori Kay Hjalmarson was examined by a committee of COM on February 27, 2017. She was approved and certified ready to receive a call by her home Transylvania Presbytery and has asked that she be ordained in this Presbytery, to her chaplain's work at Heritage Hospice in ABQ. In March COM voted to receive her into this Presbytery upon her ordination if the way be clear.

8. EXIT INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED:

a. ABQ, Immanuel, April 11, 2017

b. David and Kathryn Cameron, March 16, 2017

c. Glenn Perica, May 30, 2017

9. ADDITIONAL ACTIONS:

In March COM approved the request from Jeff and Laura Finch to train elders to preside at the Sacrament of Holy Communion at Magdalena; the elders named are Marcia Thornton and Ann Bending, current members of Session.

In March COM granted permission for the Rev. Lorna Kuyk to serve communion to former members of Cristo del Valle who are in nursing homes.

In May COM granted permission for the Rev. Michelle R. Veters of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church in San Antonio, to celebrate a wedding in Las Vegas, NM on August 12, 2017.

Dori Hjalmarson will be ordained on August 27th at Las Placitas. She will become a mission co-worker in Honduras.

In June, affirmed the PCUSA ordination, membership and recommendation for the Rev. Jeff Pearson (Sandia Presbyterian Associate Pastor) in his application to be a volunteer chaplain with the Albuquerque Police Department.

In June, approved mission statement for White Rock Presbyterian.

In June, approved the 2016 Terms of Call (which will be attached to the minutes). This had not been done last year.

9. FOR INFORMATION:

- COM added names to the Pulpit Supply list as follows:

In March: Dori Kay Hjalmarson; in April: Mary Ann Banning

- Monthly COM meetings include devotions led by an assigned member of COM and the celebration of anniversaries of ordination for clergy members of the Presbytery and the establishment of congregations!

- The monthly meetings of COM regularly include training sessions. In recent months COM has heard/learned/discussed the topics of using a group assessment survey with sessions, PNCs, and others; a review of the importance and effectiveness of triennial visits with pastors and sessions; the uses of mediation in churches; and a presentation by Skip Herbert, Consultant for Institutional Services with the Presbyterian Foundation.

COM ROSTER: Class year, name, RE for ruling elders; TE for teaching elders; (1st or 2nd term).

Catherine Robinson and Stephen Daniels, co-Moderators

<u>2017</u> Jim Brown TE (1)	Rob Craig TE (1)	Judith Mead RE (1)
Beth Miller (RE) (1:10/16)	James E. Roghair TE (2)	Jane Stringfellow RE (2)
<u>2018</u> Bryan Beck RE (1)	Judy Belvin RE (1)	Stephen Daniels CRE (1)
Robyn Kleinschmidt TE(1)	Catherine Robinson TE (2)	Frank Yates TE (1)
<u>2019</u> Ann Graham-Johnson TE (1)	Lorna Kuyk TE (2)	Bill Lumm RE (2)
Susan Quass TE (1)	Jaime Quiñones (elected 2016) TE	John Sitler RE (1)
COM Consultant	Bill Humphreys TE	

Response: For the work of God's people...

“We give you thanks, O Lord!”

Moderator-Elect Bryan Beck took over moderating the meeting.

XIV. COMMITTEE ON REPRESENTATION AND PARTICIPATION

Elder George Austin, chair of CORP, on behalf of CORP nominated MWS Ted Mattie for ENC class of 2018 to take the place of David Cameron. There being no nominations from the floor, Presbytery APPROVED the motion.

Response: For the work of God's people...

“We give you thanks, O Lord!”

XV. STEWARDSHIP TEAM

MWS, John Guthrie, from the Stewardship Team, reminded the Presbytery that all gifts are from God and belong to God. Have you been blessed by God? As you read scripture, do you find a generous God? Should we not also be generous?

Response: For the work of God's people...

“We give you thanks, O Lord!”

XVI. FINANCE AND PROPERTY

Elder Debbie Steffen, chair of F&P, gave the Finance and Property report. Presbytery APPROVED authorizing the Administrator to cease paying real property taxes on two lots: Lot 7, Block 2, Rio Rancho Estates, Unit 7 assessed value of \$1,089 and Taos County near Tres Piedras Lot H, Block 37, Tres Piedras Estates, Unit 2 assessed value of \$636. The 2 lots can then be sold by the State for non-payment of real property taxes after 3 years of non-payment. They also instructed the administrator to write a letter to the county treasurer letting that person know that the presbytery would no longer be paying those taxes.

Presbytery APPROVED a 6-month lease extension of the John Hyson property to Barrios Unidos with the following conditions: a September or October evaluation of the programs actually conducted on the site; a Barrios Unidos relationship with the Chimayo Church and the community; and improvements to the property.

Presbytery APPROVED the sale of Chamisal Church property by Emmanuel Presbyterian Church as seller to Miguel and Samantha Rodriguez as purchasers for \$61,000: La Plaza Chamisal NM 87579, Situated in section 5, T. 22 N., R.12 E, N.M.P.M vicinity of Taos County. Title will be conveyed as a Special Warranty Deed. The purchasers are putting a down payment of \$40,000 and the balance will be financed, by the Church, as a New Mexico form of Real Estate Contract.

Presbytery APPROVED the sale of the Cordova property by the Presbytery to the Pentecostal Church of God for \$5,000: three parcels of land consisting of the former Cordova church property and other nearby parcels totaling 0.07 acres, more or less located within the village of El Quemado (now Cordova) within the Nuestra Senora del Rosario San Fernando y Santiago Grant in the proposed Southeast quarter of

Section 34, Township 21 North, Range 10 East, New Mexico Principal Meridian, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

She invited Treasurer Bill Belvin forward to present the financial reports.

XVII. TREASURER’S REPORT

Elder Bill Belvin presented the Treasurer’s report, and noted that the Presbytery’s balance sheet remains strong. Presbytery RECEIVED the Treasurer’s Report (ATTACHMENT B).

Response: For the work of God’s people...

“We give you thanks, O Lord!”

XVIII. YOUTH/YOUNG ADULT VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR REPORT

Staff person, Luke Rembold, updated the presbytery on what has happened in the two areas that he is responsible for – Youth and Young Adult Volunteers. The YAVs will be arriving in August.

Response: For the work of God’s people...

“We give you thanks, O Lord!”

XIX. PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Elder Susan Keil Smith informed the presbytery that four of the PWs from this area had been involved in a training by Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and now are willing to come out and do trainings for our congregations.

Response: For the work of God’s people...

“We give you thanks, O Lord!”

XX. 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PRESBYTERY OF SANTA FE

Elder Susan Keil Smith informed the presbytery that preparations are underway for a celebration of the 150th anniversary of the “original” Presbytery of Santa Fe, which is roughly the area of the current Synod of the Southwest and reminded everyone to mark their calendars.

Response: For the work of God’s people...

“We give you thanks, O Lord!”

XXI. FAITH SHARING

Moderator Elect Beck introduced candidate Dori Hjalmarson, who will be ordained on August 27th at Las Placitas church. She will then travel to Honduras in October to become a mission co-worker there.

XXII. OFFERING OF OUR RESOURCES

Hollis Wilson, from the Belen church, let the Presbytery know about their work with the Belen Food Bank. An offering was taken for the food bank and Hollis gave a blessing for the offering.

Moderator Lorelei Kay resumed moderating the meeting. The presbytery sang a hymn.

XXIII. FAITH SHARING

Moderator Kay introduced MWS Mary Ann Banning, who transferred her membership from Plains & Peaks Presbytery, where she recently completed an interim in Ft. Collins. She is now living in Santa Fe.

XXIV. NEW BUSINESS COMMITTEE

There was no new business.

XXV. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONCERNS

Several members of the Presbytery stood to share joys, concerns and announcements with the body. The prayers of the people were followed by the Lord's Prayer. MWS. Jaime Quiñones announced that after more than fifty years in the Presbytery of Santa Fe, he is moving to Lovington to be near family. The presbytery surrounded him, laid hands on him and blessed him on his new journey.

XXVI. BENEDICTION AND CLOSING PRAYER

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 at the giving of the benediction by the Rev. Quiñones.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Rhoades
Stated Clerk