

SCIOTO VALLEY PRESBYTERY  
HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 249<sup>TH</sup> STATED MEETING, November 27, 2018  
First Presbyterian Church, Logan, Ohio

Opened with prayer by Moderator James Boggs at 3:30 p.m.  
Declaration of a quorum, adoption of meeting agenda with edits.  
Greetings from host pastor Rev. Elizabeth Wagner.

Staff reports

Worship included a sermon by out-going Moderator Elder James Boggs entitled *Stand By Me*, based on Acts 27:23-25; the installation of in-coming (as of January 1, 2019) Moderator Rev. Rebecca Tollefson and Vice-Moderator Rev. Mark Gauen; the reading of the 2017 Necrology; the Christmas Joy Gift Offering; and the celebration of the Lord's Supper led by the Rev. Elizabeth Wagner and the Rev. Joon Won Lee.

The Investigating Committee elected at the stated meeting February 20, 2018, having completed its work with no charges being filed, was dissolved with presbytery's thanks.

The presbytery heard a report from the Rev. Leland Platt on the meeting of the Synod of the Covenant held November 1-2, 2018.

The following Commissions reported:

The Commission for Presbytery Operations

- Presented the 2019 budget for 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. It was approved as presented.
- Presbytery adjourned for a meeting of the Corporation to elect officers for 2019. The following slate was elected: Robert Gustafson, president; Karen Zent, vice-president; Roger Au, treasurer; Sally Robinson, secretary.

The Commission for Church Professionals

- Presented two inquirers for candidacy – Kelsey Holderman and Steve Hong. Both were examined and received.
- Held a celebration of Honorable Retirement for Rev. Rebecca Tollefson, Rev. Sydney "Skip" Jackson, and Rev. Marion Redding.
- Presented the Sexual Misconduct Policy for 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. It was approved as presented.

The Commission for Congregational Life

- On behalf of presbytery, approved an Administrative Commission to oversee the closing of the Homer Church
- Presented the Gracious Separation Agreement Policy for 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading. It was approved as presented.

The Commission for Nurture and Outreach

- On behalf of presbytery presented a \$2,000 Neighborhood Mission grant to the Johnstown Church.
- Announced the collection of 760 winter coats by West Side Ministries (WUM) for children and youth.
- Announced a global mission pre-presbytery event February 19<sup>th</sup>.

The New Albany Administrative Commission requested a three-month extension until February 19 to complete their work. The request was granted.

The Nominating Committee presented 3 additional names for Commissions who were elected. All Commission slots are now filled for 2019.

The meeting was adjourned by the Moderator with prayer at 6:45 p.m.