

First Presbyterian Chimes



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July & August 2023

SESSION

Rev. Paul Snyder, Moderator

Eva Withers, Clerk of Session

Class of 2023

Shirley Helberg

Keven Withers

Class of 2024

Eva Withers

Noreen Noyes

Randy Neumann

SESSION COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Administration/Personnel: Shirley Helberg

Christian Education: Shirley Helberg

Memorials: Keven Withers (chair), Noreen Noyes

Mission: Session

Friendship Table: Shirley Helberg

Parish Life: Session

Property: Keven Withers & Randy Neumann

Stewardship: Session

Worship & Music: Keven Withers, Noreen Noyes

PASTORAL CARE

Pastoral Care will be taken care of by Session Members at this time.

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Upcoming Events



Sunday, Jul. 23, 9:30 am Worship with Pastor Freund in person
and via Facebook Live

Sunday, Jul. 30, 9:30 am Worship with Keven Withers in person
and via Facebook Live

Sunday, Aug. 6, 9:30 am Worship and Communion with Pastor Freund
in person and via Facebook Live

Sunday, Aug. 13, 9:30 am Worship with Keven Withers in person
and via Facebook Live

Sunday, Aug. 20, 9:30 am Worship with Pastor Freund in person
and via Facebook Live

Thursday, Aug. 24, 5:30 pm Session Meeting

Sunday, Aug. 27, 9:30 am Worship with Keven Withers in person
and via Facebook Live

Jul. 2—Pastor Randy Knuth

Jul. 6—Randy Neumann

Jul. 14—Jan Krmpotich

Aug. 9—Taye Mathews

Aug. 10—Nona Betts

Aug. 14—Barb Neumann

Aug. 16—Hennessey Longie

Aug. 21—Tanner Mathews

Jul. 17—Dennis & Shari Maloney



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JULY SESSION SUMMARY

The Session of the First Presbyterian Church of Osakis held their monthly meeting on Monday, July 17, 2023.

The financial report for June 2023 was **received for review**, summarized, and approved, and is reported as follows:

Balance on hand June1, 2023	\$3,422.36
June Income	1,981.59
June Expenses	-3,318.50
Balance on hand June 30, 2023	\$2,085.45

Items of interest from the meeting:

- Marco – Office Printer – It was decided that we will not renew our lease of the copier when it comes due. We will purchase a scanner/printer for the office instead.
- We will be having a Service and Picnic at Park Osagi on Sunday, September 10th.
- Osakis Area Church Sign – Information was shared from the Ministerial Association regarding replacement of this sign on Highway 27.
- Synod School – Keven shared information about Synod School classes that he will be attending this month.
- Sunday/Wednesday School – Interest has been shown in teaching Sunday School.
- Book Study – Session is doing a book study on “Sailboat Church.” Chapters 2 and 3 were discussed at this month’s meeting.
- Marketing/Reaching Out – Door hangers continue to be distributed around town.
- Mission – The Pie and Ice Cream Social profits of \$190 each were given to Osakis Meals on Wheels and Osakis Backpack Attack.
- Property – Windows were installed in the Fellowship Hall. Roof work will begin in August. The remaining window work will also continue. The door in the back, cold storage room will be looked at and repaired.
- Friendship Table – We will discuss with other members doing a meal in the Fall.

Our next session meeting will be August 24 at 5:30 p.m. in person.

Eva Withers, Clerk of Session



Pastor's Corner

Greetings ,

Summer has been flying by rather quickly. I do want to apologize for the delay of getting the newsletter out. Eva has been waiting for me for me to get my monthly piece done. As you can see, we combined the July- August Newsletters together. We did this to hopefully coincide with our monthly session meetings that are closer to the end of the month.

This summer has been busy with preparing and attending Synod School. This was a completely new experience for me and was a lot to take in. I met a lot of people and made several new friends. Pastor Paul and I spent the week of July 22nd to July 28th in Storm Lake Iowa on the campus of Beuna Vista University. I began my Academy classes that kept me very busy during the week with long morning and afternoon classes. The classes I took were The Old Testament for a Complex World and Introduction to Preaching. I learned a lot and have much to learn. I do have homework assignments that I will need to complete. There is even a bit of work for the congregation on a couple of Sundays when I'm Preaching. Some of you will be able to critique me.

I want to say thank you to all who are supporting me in this new adventure in my life. Also Thank you to the church and presbytery for supporting me.

New window installation has begun with at the church and will hopefully continue this summer into fall.

Mark your calendars on Sunday September 10th we will be worshipping outdoors at Park Osagi with a potluck picnic to follow. We have not done this for a few years and will keep everyone updated as we get closer.

We have the joy of a new church family member with birth of Allis Moline Massmann.

It is with sorrow that we say our earthly good byes to Ellen Bangston whose service was held at the church on August 2nd. We give thanks for her being a faithful servant of God.

May the Peace and Love of God be with you all.

Keven Withers, Ruling Elder





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