First Presbyterian Chimes



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March 2023

SESSION

Rev. Paul Snyder, Moderator Shari Maloney, Clerk of Session

Class of 2023
Shirley Helberg
Keven 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.

Please contact:

Keven Withers 320-808-7271

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Upcoming Events

Sunday, Mar. 5, 9:30 am Worship and Communion with Guest Pastor Rev. Beth Buckwalter-Miller in person and via Facebook Live Sunday, Mar. 12, 9:30 am Worship with Keven Withers in person and via Facebook Live

Sunday, Mar. 19, 9:30 am Worship with Keven Withers in person and via Facebook Live

Sunday, Mar. 26, 9:30 am Worship with Keven Withers in person and via Facebook Live

Tuesday, Mar. 28, 5:30 pm Session Meeting



Mar. 4—Joan Bischoff

Mar. 14—Pastor Ernie Freund

Mar. 27—Adam & Hanna Maloney

Mar. 27—Justin & Nikki Massmann



Members:

If you have not already paid your Per Capita (\$44.24) please do so if you are able to. It would be greatly appreciated. Thank you to those who have paid!

Online giving is available on our website: **osakispresbyterian.org**Click on the **Give Now** button in the upper right corner
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FEBRUARY SESSION SUMMARY

The Session of the First Presbyterian Church of Osakis held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 28, 2023.

The financial reports for December 2022 were **received for review**, summarized, and approved, and are reported as follows:

Balance on hand January 1, 2023	\$4,793.17
January Income	7,146.15
January Expenses	-5,324.90
Balance on hand January 31, 2023	\$6,614.42

Items of interest from the meeting:

- Time of Sunday worship A survey of the congregation was completed and results were split in preference and after discussion, to accommodate all members, it was decided that starting in November of 2023, service will be 10 a.m. from November through March, and 9:30 a.m. from April through October.
- It was approved to pay \$50 per meeting plus mileage to our moderator. Keven reported on the Presbytery Meeting on February 18.
- Sunday/Wednesday School We will continue to discuss options for Christian education.
- Keven would like to pursue taking CRE classes and will put together a proposal to present at the next Session meeting.
- Mission A minute for mission will be presented monthly during worship.
- Worship and music There will be special music on Palm Sunday.
- Property Work will begin on windows in the next couple of weeks.
- Memorials A new refrigerator was discussed for the kitchen.

Our next session meeting will be March 28, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. in person and via Zoom.

Eva Withers, Clerk of Session





Would you like to help decorate the sanctuary for Easter? We will be ordering Easter Lilies from Colorful Seasons Garden Center. The price to order is \$14.24.

Someplace Safe is having their Annual Spring Fundraiser April 17-23. Register, view, and bid at: betterunite.com/springfund23

Pastor's Corner

Greetings Everyone,

Our Lenten journey began on Ash Wednesday and although it was a snowy, blustery evening, we did have a few people for our Service. A light supper of pancakes and sausages was served at 6 pm. To those who remember before COVID the Men's group used to serve a Fat Tuesday Pancake supper so we thought that would make a great meal before the service. We had a wonderful service with music and a message plus Imposition of Ashes.

On Sunday March 5Th we were blessed to have our Executive Presbyter, Rev. Beth Buckwalter-Miller lead our worship with communion. She had a very nice message and the service can be viewed on the church's Facebook page. She really enjoyed visiting with members of our church after the service.

We will continue to follow the lectionary as we continue on our Lenten Journey. Plans are being made for some special music on Palm Sunday. On Thursday April 6th there will a combined Maundy Thursday – Good Friday service at 6:30 with possibly a light supper beforehand.

I would like to say Thank-You to everyone who responded to the survey for Sunday morning service time change.

God's Peace to everyone

Keven Withers.



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