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Proceedings of Salem Presbytery – One Hundred Forty-Second Stated Meeting May 14, 2024

SALEM ACTIONS:

Secured a Stated Supply Contract between:

- Elder Nathan Peifer & Shallowford PC, January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024
- Rev. Kymberley Hoffman & St. Paul PC, High Point, April 7, 2024 to April 6, 2025
- Rev. Judy Fitchett & Starmount PC, May 1, 2024 to August 7, 2024
- Rev. Ruth Lenger & Forest Hills PC, March 1, 2024 to February 28, 2025

Secured a Stated Supply Renewal Contract between:

- Rev. Fred Beck & Faith PC, January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024
- Rev. Stephen Jordan & Pleasant Grove PC, March 1, 2024 to February 28, 2025
- Rev. Evelyn Crews & Springwood PC, April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025
- Rev. Bonita Quandt & Bixby PC, March 2, 2024 to September 1, 2024
- Rev. Susanne Martin & First Thomasville PC, April 9, 2024 to April 8, 2025
- Rev. Will Eads & Francisco PC, April 22, 2024 to April 21, 2025
- Rev. Alberta McLaughlin & Dellabrook PC, April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025

Secured Interim Pastor/Transitional Minister Contract:

- Rev. David R. Smith & Thyatira PC, January 17, 2024 to June 16, 2024
- Rev. Leigh Weisner & Clemmons PC, January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024

Parish Associate Laboring within the Bounds of Salem Presbytery:

- Rev. Mary Virginia Taylor-Troutman, Chapel in the Pines PC, beginning September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2024 (New Hope Pby)

Secured Parish Associate Agreement between:

- Rev. Stephanie Hankins & Rumble Memorial PC, December 18, 2023 to December 17, 2024
- Rev. David Henry & Rumble Memorial PC, December 18, 2023 to December 17, 2024
- Rev. Cindy Higgins & Westminster PC, January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024

Sabbatical Approval:

- Rev. Charlie Lee
- Rev. Kyle Goodman
- Rev. Randal Kirby

Appointed Moderator of Session:

- Rev. Ruth Lenger at Forest Hills PC
- CRE Chris McClain at Griers PC
- CRE Richard LaDew at Mount Vernon Springs PC

Secured CRE – Lay Pastor Contracts between:

- CRE Shannon Langston & Bethesda PC, Statesville, for one year beginning March 1, 2024

Renewed CRE Contract between:

- CRE Steven Stiles & Milton PC, for one year beginning January 28, 2024
- CRE Mae Weed & Lansing PC, for one year beginning January 1, 2024
- CRE James Harley & Freedom PC, for one year beginning February 1, 2024
- CRE Marty Brim & Wentworth PC, for one year beginning January 1, 2024
- CRE Rachael Brooks & Hills PC, for six months beginning April 1, 2024

Validated Ministry Approved:

- Rev. Jon Martin

Validated Ministry Renewal Approved or Revalidated:

- Rev. Kent Berry
- Rev. Rebecca Todd Peters
- Rev. John Senior
- Rev. Stephanie Hankins
- Rev. Alicia Wilson
- Rev. Allison Simmons
- Rev. Blake Tickle
- Rev. Tom Nesbit
- Rev. Virginia Wood
- Rev. Grant Sutphin
- Rev. Rachel Fitch

Minister Transferring out of Salem Presbytery:

- Rev. Changwon Seo transferred to John Calvin Presbytery

Authorized to Preside at Celebration of the Lord's Supper:

- Elder David Vaughan in Salem Presbytery for a period of one year beginning May 14, 2024
- Elder Faye Rucker at Logan PC for a period of one year beginning April 11, 2024

Extended Call to Minister Transferring to Salem Presbytery:

- Reverend James Lunde to First Burlington

Recognition of CRE Retirement:

- CRE Bill Browder

Approved Retirement:

- Rev. Kellie Browne, effective May 15, 2024
- Rev. Jill Crainshaw, effective May 1, 2024
- Rev. Ernie Thompson, effective June 30, 2024

Participated in a Service of Honorable Retirement for:

- Rev. Kellie Browne
- Rev. Jill Crainshaw
- Rev. Ernie Thompson

Approved individual to fill vacancy on Presbytery committees:

Budget & Finance:

Class of 2026 – Elder Leigh Ann Perkins

Church Growth & Transformation:

Class of 2026 – Cory Earp

COM-Task Force on CRE Training and Oversight :

Class of 2024 – CRE Sue Moore

COM-Examinations:

Class of 2026 – Elder Carol Wilson

Executive Council:

Class of 2024 – Elder Judy Smith

Personnel:

Class of 2025 – Rev. Dana Fruits

Motion defeated that Salem Presbytery withdraw its concurrence to Overture 026 (GAEC-26) on Realigning Self-Development of People

Salem Presbytery voted in favor of endorsing the passage of NC House Bill 271 which restricts cash bail for Class 3 Misdemeanors.

Reviewed the 2023 Necrology for Ministers and Ruling Elders in Salem; the Presbytery was led in prayer by the Stated Clerk.

Ronda Tatum with Budget & Finance presented Salem Presbytery's statement of financial position and statement of activities.

SALEM:

- Participated in worship and celebrated the Lord's Supper under the leadership of Rev. Liz Troyer, Rev. Kaye Zigler, Rev. Paul Sink, Rev. Alfredo Miranda and Elder Tony De La Rosa, with the sermon from Rev. Liz Troyer based on the passage Jeremiah 29:1-7
- A Land Acknowledgement statement was offered by Elder Beth Hooten, to recognize Indigenous Peoples who are the original stewards of the lands on which we now live
- Received reports from Executive Presbyter Tony De La Rosa and Stated Clerk David Vaughan
- Commissioned the 2024 General Assembly Commissioners and YAAD: Steve Braxton, Courtney Hunter, Phanta Lansden, Wes Pitts, Susan Stewart, Liz Troyer and Caroline Beach-Verhey
- Received a report from Commissioners Elder Lee Woods and Rev. Felicia Stewart Hoyle on the 253rd Assembly of the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic
- Received reports from the Executive Council, Budget & Finance, Stewardship Committee, Church Growth & Transformation, COM, Task Force on Examinations, COR, and Peace and Justice Task Force (see packet details)

**Next Presbytery meeting
will be held at Jamestown Presbyterian
Church in Jamestown
Tuesday, August 6, 2024**