

**PRESBYTERY OF NORTHERN KANSAS
MEETING HIGHLIGHTS
January 26, 2019**

The Presbytery of Northern Kansas (PNK) met on Saturday, January 26, 2019 at the Sunrise Presbyterian Church in Salina, Kansas. Following are the highlights of the meeting.

Worshipped together. Rev. Dr. **Charlie Smith** preached the sermon. Elder **Randy Graham** served as liturgist. Rev. Dr. **Martha Murchison** and Rev. **Don Schroeder, HR** presided at the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

Installed Rev. Dr. **Charlie Smith** as moderator of PNK for 2019 and Elder **Sue Dindinger** as vice moderator of PNK for 2019.

Received an offering of **\$846.00** for **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance** for victims of the California wildfires.

Heard from **D. Charles Hunt**, Senior Analyst from the Kansas Health Institute, who presented a program on: "**A Changing Kansas: Implications for Health and Communities.**"

Shared joys and concerns and **Prayed** for the churches and pastors of PNK.

Said **Thank You to Rev. Don Schroeder, HR** during Church Family News. Don is retiring after serving for over 2 decades as the Dean of the Commissioned Ruling Elder Cluster Program.

Heard a presentation by Rev. Kent Winters-Hazelton on behalf of the Presbytery Council regarding the PNK Visioning Program. Approved **new Mission Priorities** and a **new Presbytery of Northern Kansas Organizational Structure**.

Recognized the **retirement of Elder Mary Andersen** as Presbytery Treasurer effective January 30 and thanked her for serving for the past 15 years.

Elected Rev. **Tom Reid** as **Treasurer** of PNK effective February 1.

Elected Elder **Melanie Hancock** as **General Presbyter** of PNK effective February 1. A Service of Installation will take place at the April 30 Presbytery Meeting.

Approved a **2019 Provisional Budget**. With the approval of the PNK Visioning Program, the Finance Committee will present a Revised Budget at the April 30 Presbytery Meeting.

Reported the **sale** of the building and property of both the former **Madison First Presbyterian Church** and the former **Dwight Presbyterian Church**.

Voted on Amendments to the Constitution proposed by the 223rd General Assembly (2018). Approved all 8 proposed amendments.

Elected Rev. **Bill Vincent** to the Committee on Representation; Rev. **Tim Maguffee** to Presbytery Council; Elder **Alan Reynolds** and Rev. **Meredith Kemp-Pappan** to Committee on Ministry; Rev. **Mike Kuner** to Preparation 4 Ministry Committee; Elder **Adrian Hunley** as Chair for the Presbytery Meeting Preparation Committee; Rev. **Teresa Ingle** as Chair of the Stewardship and Mission Committee and Rev. **Jennine Groene** and Elder **Gordon Fiedler, Jr.** to the Stewardship and Mission Committee; and Rev. **Shannon Borgman** to the Youth Ministries Committee.

Designated Rev. **Dixie Anders** as **honorably retired** effective February 1.

Announced Rev. **Phyllis Stutzman (Emporia Presbyterian Church)** as the winner of the **Pastor's Appreciation Weekend**.

Announced that Elder **Patrick Yancey** has **completed the PNK Commissioned Ruling Elder Program** and is now listed as "Available to Serve."

Highlighted 2019 PNK **Mission Project grants** and 2019 **Traveling Day Camp grants**; encouraged churches to promote and receive the **One Great Hour of Sharing Offering** during Lent; and requested **prayers** of support **for our PNK Young Adult Volunteer, Kailen Soncksen**.

Announced that the **Winter PNK Youth Event** was rescheduled due to weather and will be held on **February 16-17** at First Presbyterian Church, Topeka with a Snow Tubing Excursion to Snow Creek. Reminded commissioners of details about the **2019 Presbyterian Youth Triennium** that will take place **July 16-20 at Purdue University** and announced that **PNK offers scholarships of \$235** per youth and encourages churches to also offer scholarships and work to help their youth get signed up for this opportunity ASAP.

Reported that the **Spring Workshop** of the **Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery of Northern Kansas** will be held on Thursday, April 25 at the **Fairview Presbyterian Church (Riley)**.

Remember: More information on all of these items can be found in the Presbytery Reports for this Presbytery Meeting which can be found at www.pnks.org. Check with your clerk of session, pastor or moderator of session for Username and Password or contact the presbytery office.

Upcoming Presbytery Meetings

Tuesday, **April 30** – First Presbyterian Church, Ellsworth
Saturday, **July 20** – First Presbyterian Church, Junction City
Tuesday, **October 15** – First Presbyterian Church, Wamego

If you haven't yet filled out the survey for this presbytery meeting you can do it online at:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2019JanPMtg>