

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LAKE TRAVIS**

**Session Meeting  
June 26, 2022 (at the church)**

Session members present: Rev. Jack Barden, Moderator; Larry Foster; Terry McKetta; Mary Margaret MacMillan, Clerk; Chrystie Thrasher

Session members excused: Lynn Fisher

Rev. Barden opened the meeting with prayer at 12:38 pm

**Moderator's Report**

Rev. Barden reported on the Mission Presbytery meeting held June 10-11, 2022. Jim Currie, PCLT member and retired pastor, was welcomed into Mission Presbytery. Two newly graduated people from Austin Seminary were approved for ordination. A new congregation has been organized as New Life Church. They have a food assistance program for Los Colonias along the border and have received a matching \$25,000 grant from the Presbytery as a new worshiping community. Other churches in the Presbytery are invited to contribute. The Presbytery has a tool called Mission Insight which has information about the areas around individual churches and which could be useful for PCLT. John Knox Ranch has the highest summer enrollment in 15 years.

Rev. Barden visited with Faye Smith about a memorial service for her husband Carl. She does not want a memorial service at this time. Instead, she will provide flowers for worship on July 24. The congregation will remember Carl at the worship service.

Esme's employment ended as of June 15.

Rabert Sheppard was welcomed as our summer pastoral intern.

Wine will be served at Communion beginning July 3.

The minutes of May 22, 2022, Session meeting were approved with one correction.

**Committee Reports**

**Finance Report:** We are entering a time of the year when expenses exceed revenue by at least \$10,000 per month. This is our usual pattern. While PCLT is not yet at the break-even point, we are making a bit of progress. Expenses are controlled as well as they can be, but an increase in revenue is needed. We are where we should be, and we are moving to where we want to be. Panic is not an answer.

A letter of credit has been formed by several PCLT members and this gives us a way to trade off debt for pulling down revenue. The Memorandum of Understanding for the letter of credit was acknowledged and the Session agreed to move that the memorandum be concurred with by the Session.

**ACTION ITEM:** A motion was made that Session concur with the intent of the Memorandum of Understanding. The motion was seconded. The motion carried. (The Memorandum of Understanding will be available in the church office for review.

Steve Gottlieb is working with the bookkeeper to reconstruct past financial data, and within thirty days we should have an accurate picture of that financial data. Debi will no longer have church finances in her role so her hours may be reduced to 15 hours per week.

PCLT's banking relationship may be moved away from Bank of America. Christian

Education: The committee did not meet.

Hospitality: The report is made part of these minutes.

Quintet360, a newly-formed wind ensemble, will present a concert at PCLT on July 17 at 4 pm. There will be an intermission as well as a reception afterward.

Committee meetings are scheduled for the first Sunday of each month immediately following worship.

Outreach: A pizza lunch and supper will be provided by PCLT to the staff at Baylor, Scott and White - Lakeway on July 13. Craig-O's will provide pizzas from their food truck. Brochures about the church will be available, and PCLT members will be encouraged to attend to meet and greet the staff, with thanks for their contributions to our community.

PCLT has joined the Bee Cave Chamber of Commerce. Steve Gottlieb attended a Chamber meeting and suggested that one or two PCLT women attend a future meeting. Lynn Fisher was suggested as someone who would be good to attend.

Outreach is arranging for the banners on our exterior sign. After the 5th of July banner is removed a banner will be placed advertising the July 17 music concert.

Steve Gottlieb suggested we change the exterior sign to use power colors. There was a suggestion that the anchor logo on the sign be removed, but more information is needed about the feelings of original PCLT members if this were to occur.

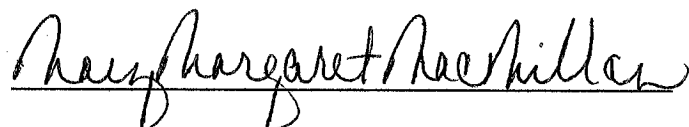
### Old Business

Tickets for the July 17 concert by Quintet360 will go on sale after July 4 through Eventbrite and will cost \$15/each. We will sell a maximum of 110 tickets.

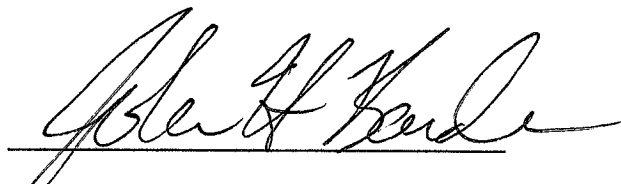
### New Business

None

Rev. Barden adjourned the meeting with prayer at 2:10 pm.



Mary Margaret MacMillan, Clerk



Rev. Dr. John H. Barden, Moderator