

**176th Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Southern New England
St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, Groton, CT
February 9, 2019**

CALL TO WORSHIP – Rev. Julie Emery

Gathering ritual – *Know that God is Good* sung

Litany of Gifts

CALL TO ORDER/FORMING OF THE ROLL:

Stated Clerk David Baer reported that a quorum was present. The roll was being formed through the registration for the meeting.

ATTENDANCE

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Ministers- 30
Elders- 30
60

MINISTERS PRESENT

The following minister members were present:

Jocelyn Cadwallader	Jimmy E. McPherson	Jason Santalucia
Christine Caton	Sean Miller	Cass L. Shaw
Terrlyn Curry Avery	Patrick Notley	Ruth Herron Smalt
Alonso F. Dacunha	Jenny R. Peek	Shavon Starling-Louis
Julie Emery	Susan M. Pfeil	Chris Tate
Anne Fuhrmeister	Mark Porizky	Susan Power Trucksess
Barbara G. Hager	Joan Withers Priest	John C. B. Webster
Byeta Hoover-Mulvany	Jovelino Ramos	Kevin White
Do Hoon Kim	Paulo de Tarso Ribeiro	Shannon White
Ik Tae Kim	John S. Sandel	Candace Whitman

MINISTERS EXCUSED

The following minister members were excused:

Adele Crawford	Thomas Hawkins	Mary Thies
Jennifer Davis	Tracy Mehr-Muska	Frances Unsell
Eileen Epperson	Anne Marie Meyerhoffer	David Van Dyke
Jan Hawkins	Virginia Smanik	

ELDER COMMISSIONERS

The following Elders represented the Churches of the Presbytery:

Ashaway: Babcock Barrington	Joanne R. Kenyon
Brookfield: Valley Cumberland	Lynn Escedy Peter Cameron, Robert Correllus
Darien: Noroton	Louis DeLoma
Farifield: First	Vance Hancock, Patricia Piddington, Bill Schimpf
Fall River: Calvary	
Granby: Pioneer Valley	
Greenwich: First	Lori Niehaus
Groton: St. Andrew	Dale Green, Jean DeGroot
Hamden: New Haven Korean	
Hartford: First	
Milford: United	Janice Fletcher-Yarson
New Canaan: First	
New Haven: Connecticut Korean	
New Haven: First Providence	Ralph Jones, Tim McConnell, Nancy R. Woodington Bipen Rai, Sanford Lee
Springfield: Martin Luther King	
Stamford: First	Ellen McDonnell, Kerry Spearman, Stephen Hart
Stamford: Turn of River	
Warwick: Greenwood	Emmy Kmet, Steve Parkinson
Warwick: Woodbury	
Waterford: Crossroads	Rebecca Francisco, Jacqueline Yeung
West Hartford: Westminster	
Westerly: Dunn's Corners	Jonathan Shay
Wilton	

PRESBYTERY ROUNDTABLE

The following Elders from the Presbytery Roundtable were present: Dick Hasbany (New Haven: First), Doug Ray (Warwick: Woodbury Union), Art Riihimaki (West Hartford: Westminster), and Barbara Riihimaki (West Hartford: Westminster).

Excused were Anne Carney (West Hartford: Westminster), Ralph Reynolds (New Haven: First), and Tom Taylor (Darien : Noroton).

COMMISSIONED RULING ELDERS

April Saber-Assad (Fall River: Calvary), a Ruling Elder Commissioned to Particular Pastoral Service, was present.

VISITORS

Eight (8) visitors registered for the meeting: Tiny Chapman, Gordon Dean, Molly Dean, Donna Litwin, Kirk Louis, Clare Schimpf, Jeff Snider, and Joan Ramos.

CERTIFIED ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Pamela Garner, the Presbytery Administrator, was present.

CHURCHES WITHOUT REPRESENTATION

Twelve (12) Churches were without Elder Commissioner representation.

ADOPTION OF THE DOCKET

Presbytery **VOTED** to adopt amended docket.

ENROLLMENT AND INTRODUCTIONS

Rev. Jason Santalucia welcomed people to St. Andrew Presbyterian Church. The Presbytery **VOTED** to **ENROLL** the following Ministers as Corresponding Members:

The Rev. David Baer (Palisades Presbytery), the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery
The Rev. Thomas Groome (Transylvania Presbytery)
The Rev. Dr. Laurie McKnight (Transylvania Presbytery)

WORSHIP CONTINUES

The Rev. Jason Santalucia acknowledged the Pequot people, the original inhabitants of the land on which St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church sits.

The assembly shared in the Prayer of Confession, Assurance of Pardon, and the Sharing of the Peace.

CONSENT MOTION – Presbytery VOTED to approve

- That the Presbytery grant excuses from attendance at the 176th Stated Meeting to those needing the same, but that the Presbytery suspend the reading of their names.

- That the Presbytery grant excuses for early departures from the 176th Stated Meeting for those requesting the same by signing their names on a list maintained at the Clerks' desk, but that the Presbytery suspend the reading of their names.
- That the Presbytery seat as Corresponding Members those ministers for whom a request is made at the beginning of the meeting.
- That the Presbytery receive the Treasurer's report as list Reference C.
- That the Presbytery approve the minutes of the 175th Stated Meeting held on November 17, 2018, as printed in the "Minutes" section of the PSNE website (action item #1 in the Clerk's Report).
- That the Presbytery receive with regret the resignation of Elder John Succo (Waterford: Crossroads) as Assistant Treasurer and from the Board of Trustees (action item #2 in the Clerk's Report).

OPEN SPACE

COM conversation of ministerial compensation – Elder Barbara Riihimaki
 Mission/vision Team – Discussion of white fragility Rev. Shavon Starling-Louis
 Incarceration reform, legislative update - Rev, Cass Shaw

Prayer for Illumination – *Build a Larger Table* Sung

STATED CLERK REPORT

Vote on Amendments to Book of Order -- Yes/No

18-A– on nominating committees – AFFIRMATIVE 46/1

18.B1 and B2 – renouncing jurisdiction of PCUSA – AFFIRMATIVE 42/2

18-C– on public endorsement of political candidates – NEGATIVE 6/51

18.D– validate ministry outside bounds of presbytery – AFFIRMATIVE 52/0

18.E– clarify pastor to pastor or ministers of word and sacrament – AFFIRMATIVE 52/0

18.F– welcoming children to Lord's Supper – AFFIRMATIVE 44/7

18.G– sexual abuse defined as offense – NEGATIVE 15/31

18.H 1 and H2 – sexual abuse and statute of limitations; age of consent – AFFIRMATIVE 51/2

Know that God is Good sung

Scripture reading Matthew 25: 31-46

Homily – Katia Dacunha; Showed video of former immigrant prisoner

PRESBYTERIAN IMMIGRANT MINISTRY (PIM) – Rev, John Webster. Ministry ongoing. Prison authorities like the Bible studies inside the prison. Welcoming them. They get some money from PSNE mission budget. Numbers of immigrants coming to Bible study has grown. We are their friends in a friendless world.

Build A Larger Table sung

ROUNDTABLE REPORT Rev, Anne Fuhrmeister. Upon the recommendation of the Roundtable, the Presbytery **AUTHORIZED** the celebration of Lords Supper at the upcoming retreat at the Stony Point Center in Stony Point, NY, March 3-5, by consent.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY

Elder Barbara Riihimaki gave the report.

1. The Presbytery **APPROVED** the transfer of The Rev. Thomas Groome III, Interim Pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Fairfield, CT from the Presbytery of Transylvania to the Presbytery of Southern New England effective February 9, 2019. His Statement of Faith is Ref. H-1. Rev. Groome addressed the PSNE and answered questions.

2. The Presbytery **APPROVED** the transfer of The Rev. Dr. Laurie McKnight, Member at Large, from the Presbytery of Transylvania to the Presbytery of Southern New England effective February 9, 2019. Her Statement of Faith is Ref. H-2. Rev, McKnight addressed the PSNE.

Rev, Susan Trucksess offered words of welcome and celebratory prayers.

Sharing time of people in what is good in their lives.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE – Elder Art Riihimaki.

Needs names for openings coming up in May

Know that God is Good is sung.

Prayers of the People – Rev. Candace Whitman

Offertory

Praise God All You Nations sung

Offering Payer Rev, Chris Tate

Closing ritual Rev. Julie Emery

Closing Hymn – *“In Christ There is No East or West”*

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourning blessing offered by Moderator Rev. Chris Tate at 1:15 PM.

Attested:

Rev. David Baer
Stated Clerk

**Treasurer's Report
as of 12/31/2018**

Presbytery of Southern New England - Statement of Financial Position			
	Balance as of	Balance as of	Difference
	12/31/2017	12/31/2018	
Assets:			
<i>Cash</i>			
Checking Account for Operating Cash	864,978.36	126,827.72	A (738,150.64)
Ministerial Relief Cash	19,843.63	26,429.17	6,585.54
Simsbury NCD - ING Savings Account	76,986.10	77,263.95	B 277.85
<i>Investments</i>			
Fidelity Investments	-	650,287.58	C 650,287.58
Merrill Lynch	281,329.03	281,869.45	540.42
Accounts Receivable	263,419.70	239,419.70	D (24,000.00)
Fixed Assets	6,406.72	5,776.69	(630.03)
Accumulated Depreciation	(4,575.30)	(4,875.38)	(300.08)
Total Assets	1,508,388.24	1,402,998.88	(105,389.36)
Liabilities:			
Total Liabilities	-	-	-
Net Assets	1,508,388.24	1,402,998.88	E (105,389.36)
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	1,508,388.24	1,402,998.88	(105,389.36)
A) Of the balance in the Checking Account the amount shown			
in the Dedicated Accounts Report for "Total Operating Cash Dedicated Accts." is restricted.			
B) Simsbury dismissal agreement settlement designated for New Church Development.			
C) New investment brokerage account set up with Fidelity Investments.			
D) Balance at 12-31-18 includes Dismissal Agreement Balances of PCOG, Enfield: Calvary, and Newport: First			
and Springfield: Christ.			
E) Does not include the value of Church properties or charges against them.			

**Treasurer's Report
as of 12/31/2018**

Ref. C-1

Presbytery of Southern New England - Statement of Activities						
OPERATIONS	Mission/Ministry	Admin.	Annual Budget	Year to Date Actual	Annual Budget Bal.	YTD 100%
Income						
General Mission	75,000.00		75,000.00	55,406.20	19,593.80	74%
General Mission - prior year			0.00	0.00	0.00	
Interest on Operating Cash		450.00	450.00	3,159.49	(2,709.49)	702%
Presbytery Per Capita		245,548.00	245,548.00	215,735.05	29,812.95	88%
Donations			0.00	8,409.10	(8,409.10)	
Merrill Lynch dividends minus fees			0.00	1,364.05	(1,364.05)	
Total Income	75,000.00	245,998.00	320,998.00	284,073.89	36,924.11	88%
Expense						
Committees:						
Committee on Ministry	2,400.00	4,200.00	6,600.00	7,341.20	(741.20)	111%
Committee on Preparation	3,000.00	2,000.00	5,000.00	2,862.30	2,137.70	57%
Nominations	220.00		220.00	111.53	108.47	51%
Nurturing & Creating Relationships	59,720.00		59,720.00	42,346.60	17,373.40	71%
Personnel		500.00	500.00	204.45	295.55	41%
Honorariums			0.00	400.00	(400.00)	
Roundtable		7,747.00	7,747.00	3,889.40	3,857.60	50%
Pastor to Pastor	3,600.00		3,600.00	2,706.34	893.66	75%
Trustees	500.00	7,500.00	8,000.00	9,077.20	(1,077.20)	113%
Office Operations		10,187.00	10,187.00	8,252.71	1,934.29	81%
Salaries & Benefits	5,560.00	244,704.00	250,264.00	248,460.87	1,803.13	99%
Travel		13,100.00	13,100.00	12,699.36	400.64	97%
Bldg. Maint/Equip. Replacement		2,000.00	2,000.00	2,500.00	(500.00)	125%
GA Travel		1,500.00	1,500.00	289.21	1,210.79	19%
Total Expense	75,000.00	293,438.00	368,438.00	341,141.17	27,296.83	93%
Net Income/Expense			(47,440.00)	(57,067.28)		
PER CAPITA PASS-THRU						
Designated Income:						
GA Per Capita				49,834.18		
Synod Per Capita				26,382.40		
Total Designated Income				76,216.58		
Designated Expense:						
GA Per Capita				55,816.99		
Synod Per Capita				32,782.24		
Total Designated Expense				88,599.23		
Net Per Capita Pass-Thru				(12,382.65)		
MISSION PASS-THRU						
GA General Mission	23,630.66		Total Revenues for the year		438,695.05	
Synod General Mission	6,417.03					
GA Special Mission	47,568.60		Total Expenditures for the year		508,144.98	
Synod Special Mission	788.29					
Total Mission Pass-thru	78,404.58		Net Gain/Loss		(69,449.93)	

**DEDICATED ACCOUNTS
AS OF 12/31/2018**

Ref. C-2

OPERATING CASH DEDICATED ACCOUNTS:	Balance 12/31/2017	Year to Date Receipts	Year to Date Expenses	Balance 12/31/2018
Committee on Ministry				
Leadership Training	750.00	-	-	750.00
Coaching	4,226.52	-	-	4,226.52
Total Committee on Ministry	4,976.52	-	-	4,976.52
Grants/Donations				
Brookfield Grant - Tornado	-	5,000.00	3,108.47	1,891.53
Grant - MLK Church	-	75,000.00	61,835.19	13,164.81
Transformation Grant	-	30,000.00	18,586.53	11,413.47
Tri-Presbytery Consultant	1,288.68	-	-	1,288.68
Total Grants	1,288.68	-	-	1,288.68
Social Justice:				
Peacemaking Donations	4,591.86	1,313.51	1,404.00	4,501.37
Total Social Justice	4,591.86	1,313.51	1,404.00	4,501.37
Total PY Immigrant Ministry				
Presbytery Immigrant Ministry	23,090.93	54,396.00	73,513.69	3,973.24
PIM - Presbytery Women Grant	4,001.84	-	-	4,001.84
Total PY Immigrant Ministry	27,092.77	54,396.00	73,513.69	7,975.08
Total Operating Cash Dedicated Accts.	37,949.83	55,709.51	74,917.69	18,741.65
Cranston: Faith Closing	152,960.73	400,000.00	25,000.00	527,960.73
Dismissal Agreement Income	119,999.90	25,662.40	-	145,662.30
ING Savings Account				
Simsbury /NCD Reserve	76,986.10	307.75	-	77,293.85
TOTAL DEDICATED ACCOUNTS	387,896.56	481,679.66	99,917.69	769,658.53

Presbytery of Southern New England Investment Summary as of 12/31/2018							
		December 2017 Balance	Fees	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Unrealized Gain(Loss)	12/31/2018 Balance
Fidelity Investments		-		650,000.00		287.58	650,287.58
Merrill Lynch - Cash Account		277,005.05	80.00	-		1,363.63	278,448.68
Equities		4,323.98	-	-	-	(743.21)	3,580.77
Simsbury NCD-ING Savings Account		76,986.10		-	-	277.85	77,263.95
Totals		358,315.13	80.00	650,000.00	-	1,185.85	1,009,580.98
Restricted Investment Funds:							
Simsbury NCD-ING Savings Account	77,263.95						
Total Restricted Funds	77,263.95						
Unrestricted Investment Funds:							
Fidelity Investments	650,287.58						
Merrill Lynch	282,029.45						
Total Unrestricted Funds	932,317.03						

CHURCH GIVING AS OF 12/31/2018						
		PRESBYTERY	PRESBYTERY	PRESBYTERY	PRESBYTERY	PRESBYTERY
		GENERAL MISSION	GENERAL MISSION	PER CAPITA DUE	PER CAPITA	PER CAPITA
PIN#	CHURCH	YEARLY PLEDGE	RECEIVED TO DATE	MONTHLY	DUE TO DATE	RECEIVED TO DATE
4620	Ashaway: Babcock	\$ -	\$ 564.00	\$ 183.71	\$ 2,204.52	\$ 2,204.52
1274	Barrington	\$ -	\$ 2,560.00	\$ 237.40	\$ 2,848.80	\$ 2,848.80
10562	Brookfield: Valley	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 327.85	\$ 3,934.20	\$ 3,934.20
10027	Cumberland: Calvin	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 508.72	\$ 4,578.48	\$ 705.96
4581	Darien: Noroton	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,465.38	\$ 53,584.56	\$ 53,584.56
4574	Fairfield: First	\$ -	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 1,048.52	\$ 12,582.24	\$ 12,582.24
1779	Fall River: Calvary	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 90.45	\$ 1,085.40	\$ 1,085.40
4578	Granby: First	\$ -	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 96.10	\$ 1,153.20	\$ 1,153.20
4576	Greenwich: First	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,099.86	\$ 25,198.32	\$ 25,198.32
3716	Groton: St. Andrews	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 457.85	\$ 5,494.20	\$ 5,494.20
10645	Hamden: Korean	\$ -	\$ 7,700.00	\$ 859.17	\$ 10,310.04	\$ 10,310.04
4577	Hartford: First	\$ -	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 370.23	\$ 4,442.76	\$ 4,442.76
4579	Milford: United	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 214.80	\$ 2,577.60	\$ 761.94
3719	New Canaan: First	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,656.15	\$ 19,873.80	\$ 19,873.80
10985	New Haven: Korean	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 175.23	\$ 2,102.76	\$ 2,102.76
4580	New Haven: First	\$ -	\$ 6,075.00	\$ 582.20	\$ 6,986.40	\$ 6,986.40
10939	Providence	\$ -	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 361.76	\$ 4,341.12	\$ 4,341.12
10530	Springfield: MLK	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 155.45	\$ 1,865.40	\$ 1,865.40
4583	Stamford: First	\$ -	\$ 19,176.00	\$ 1,260.48	\$ 15,125.76	\$ 15,125.76
4586	Stamford: TOR	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 141.31	\$ 1,695.72	\$ 1,695.72
4609	Warwick:Greenwood	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 910.04	\$ 10,920.48	\$ 2,003.89
4607	Warwick: Woodbury	\$ -	\$ 2,520.00	\$ 310.89	\$ 3,730.68	\$ 3,730.68
9427	Waterford:Crssrds	\$ -	\$ 8,761.20	\$ 228.93	\$ 2,747.16	\$ 2,747.16
4585	West Htfd:West	\$ -	\$ 700.00	\$ 853.51	\$ 10,242.12	\$ 10,242.12
4618	Westerly:Dunns	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 907.21	\$ 10,886.52	\$ 10,886.52
960	Wilton	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 850.69	\$ 10,208.28	\$ 10,208.28
					\$	\$ -
TOTAL		\$ -	\$ 54,006.20	\$ 19,353.89	\$ 230,720.52	\$ 216,115.75