

Summary of February 28, 2017 meeting of Carlisle Presbytery

On the beautiful Tuesday morning of February 28, 2017, the members and commissioners of Carlisle Presbytery along with visitors were greeted by the friendly members of Camp Hill Presbyterian Church for the first presbytery meeting of 2017.

The meeting was opened with worship led by Rev. David Roquemore and Rev. Kimberley Wadlington. Outgoing Moderator, Ruling Elder Donna Wenger, offered the sermon and Revs. Roquemore and Wadlington officiated at the celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Camp Hill's Director of Music, Dan Dorty, offered wonderful music and organ pieces.

During worship Rev. Kimberley Wadlington was installed as Moderator of Carlisle Presbytery for 2017. Vice-Moderator elect Greg Harris was unable to attend the meeting and will be installed at the May 23, 2017 presbytery meeting.

After worship, the presbytery began its business:

Presbytery Treasurer Rev. Larry Van Hise gave his yearly report to the presbytery. The presbytery had a positive cash flow for 2017. This was because most of the positions of Congregational Associates, although budgeted, were not filled. Although Per Capital giving did increase, Shared Mission giving was by churches was way down.

After consultation with Stated Clerk Jim Speedy and Associate for Communication and Office Management Suzi Souder, the Personnel committee submitted and the Presbytery approved revised Position Descriptions for both positions.

Upon the recommendation of the Administration Committee of Carlisle Presbytery, the Presbytery voted to appoint an Administrative Commission to shepherd the merger of Progress-Immanuel Presbyterian Church and Faith Presbyterian Church.

A panel discussion was conducted by Carlisle Presbytery's Commissioners to the 222nd General Assembly- Graham Fowler, Dick Lee, Debby Madden and Kim Wadlington. They gave reports on their committee work and other experiences at the General Assembly. After the discussion the Amendments to the Book of Order were voted on and all were approved.

The Nominating Committee presented and the presbytery approved a slate to fill existing vacancies on the Education Committee, the Committee on Preparation for Ministry and the Commission on Ministry.

The Administrative Commission assigned to the Waynesboro Presbyterian Church presented its final report. As recommended by the Commission on Ministry, the presbytery voted to dismiss the Administrative Commission with thanks for its work.

The next meeting of Carlisle Presbytery will be on May 23, 2017 at the St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, Lebanon, PA. This is an evening meeting beginning with worship at 6:00 p.m.