A stated meeting of the session of FPCO was held on June 23, 2020 and was called to order by moderator Senior Pastor, Dr. David D. Swanson at 6:00pm via Zoom video conference.

**ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

**ATTENDANCE:**
Teaching Elders: David Swanson, Case Thorp, Becky Davis, Jack Peebles, and Tanner Fox

Senior Leadership Team: Dale van Gelder, Bret Allen, Christina McDaniel

Ruling Elders: Barbara Clayton, Jim Hardy, Quino Martinez, Robbie Ball, Darrell Carpenter Sr., Erin Linblad, Katie Witter, Ellen Arnold, Greg Burden, John Caplan, Amanda Cowan, Bo Morgan, Kurt Wood, Becky Wilson, Bob Francis, Allen Peacock

Excused: Melody Lynch, Rick Pullum, Case Thorp

Staff: Grace Whitlow

Other attendees: Bryan Knedgen, Covenant Partner

A quorum was declared.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Letter: A letter of thanks from Lift Orlando for the organizational gift of $25,000 COVID-19 relief funds session approved at its last business meeting.

Email: Officer Formation Syllabus and Equipping Team Strategy Report from Dr. Case Thorp to be discussed under the Work Group portion of agenda.

**MINUTES**

**MOTION:** To approve minutes from the Called Session Meeting on April 9, 2020, Stated Session Minutes on April 28, 2020, Called Session Meeting on May 12, 2020, and Stated Session Minutes on May 26, 2020. MSP

**DOCKET**

The Docket was approved. M/S/P

**STATISTICS**

Membership as of March 31, 2020: 3,620

Transfers into the congregation: 0

Reaffirmation of faith: 0

Profession of faith: 0

Profession of faith & baptism: 0

Restored to the roll: 0
Total: 0
Transfers from the congregation: 2
Deaths: 4
Removed from the roll: 0
Placed on the inactive roll: 0
Total: 6
Membership as of April 30, 2020: 3,614

Dismissed:
Mrs. Lindsay H. Staton – Dismissed to First Baptist Church, Orlando, Florida
Miss Caroline Joy Hanes – Dismissed to First Baptist Church, Orlando, Florida

Deaths:
Mrs. Catherine F. Barberie died 1/23/2018
Mr. Tipton Clinton Bales, Jr. died 12/26/2018
Mr. David Robbinson Shaw died 4/5/2020
Mrs. June Roepnack Wieland died 4/20/20

Membership as of April 30, 2020: 3,614
Transfers into the congregation: 0
Reaffirmation of faith: 0
Profession of faith: 0
Profession of faith & baptism: 0
Restored to the roll: 0
Total: 0
Transfers from the congregation: 0
Deaths: 0
Removed from the roll: 0
Placed on the inactive roll: 0
Total: 0
Membership as of May 31, 2020: 3,614

Dismissed:
Mr. James “Jim” Savage – Dismissed to First Presbyterian Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma. (Will not be in the count and was placed on inactive roll 8/18/2018.)
Mrs. Sarah Savage – Dismissed to First Presbyterian Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma. (Will not be in the count and was placed on inactive roll 8/18/2018.)
Mr. Will Savage – Dismissed to First Presbyterian Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma. (Will not be in the count and was placed on inactive roll 8/18/2018.)

CONSENT AGENDA

| 1 – 1 | Place on the inactive roll:  
|       | Mrs. Marsha S. Dunlap  
|       | Mr. Harold Swallow  |

| 1 – 2 | Remove from the roll:  

1 – 3 Inactive members to be removed from the roll (will not be in the count):
Mrs. Robert (Linda S.) Ammerman
Mr. Mark Rushing
Mrs. Barbara Rushing
Mrs. Lynne B. Thibodeau
Mr. Thomas D. "Doug" Peral
Miss Rachel M. Tanner
Mrs. Marcia Johnson
Mr. Randall "Randy" Johnson

1 – 4 To approve covenant partner Cyndi Hayes to serve on the Heritage Committee.

Consent Agenda was MSP

MINISTER REPORT
MOTION: To approve the resuming of in person worship services on Sunday, July 19, 2020 with one worship service in the sanctuary at 8:45am and with a maximum capacity in the sanctuary set between 100-150 people (overflow in the Lee Fellowship Hall) and with face coverings required in accordance with the Orange County, Florida Emergency Executive Order 2020-23 regarding Covid-19 mandate. MSP

Reopening of the student ministry: Minister of Family Life, Bret Allen presented the Student Ministry's plan and protocols for youth gatherings at the church. COO, Dale van Gelder shared the plan document created by Director of Student Ministry, Steve Eastwood.

MOTION: To approve the Student Ministry resuming in person assemblies on Wednesday, June 24, 2020 in designated spaces on the church’s campus and with face coverings required in accordance with the Orange County, Florida Emergency Executive Order 2020-23 regarding COVID-19 mandate for all events organized and held at the church. MSP

Traditional Worship Director search update: David announced that Karen Roberts has accepted the role as worship director and will start August 8, 2020.

Organizational support gift: David had a request from Senator Geraldine Thompson that we provide support of $5,000 for the Wells'Built Museum of African American History & Culture.
MOTION: To approve an organizational support gift of $5,000 to the Wells'Built Museum of African American History & Culture in Orlando, FL. MSP

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PRESBYTERIAN CONNECTIONS COMMITTEE

MOTION: To approve the following commissioners for the EPC 40th General Assembly (has been rescheduled from June) September 17-18, 2020 at Hope Church in Memphis, TN: RE’s Darrell Carpenter, Sr., Mike Gillett, Tami Kaiser, Chris Bolan, Ellen Arnold, Amanda Cowan, Ann Ellis and TE’s David Swanson, Jack Peebles, Becky Davis, and Tanner Fox. MSP (A virtual participation option via Zoom teleconference is being provided for those who prefer to not (or cannot) travel to Memphis)

Covenant Partners under the care of the Session currently in preparation for Ordination:
   ● Cheryl Mendes-Ellis

Covenant Partners interested in Ordination (have not yet come before the Session):
   ● Bradley Kirksey
   ● Joel Miller
   ● Alexa Rossi
   ● Hayes Thielman
   ● Jude Vilma
   ● Tyler Wilson

GOVERNANCE & LEADERSHIP ASSIGNMENT COMMITTEE

2020 Congregational Nominating Committee: The committee has secured nominations for 5 of 6 needed elders and 14 of 15 needed deacons.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Budget: Postponing 2020-2021 budget presentation until July
The Collaborative: Arise and Build seed money for The Collaborative will be fully depleted during the 2020-2021 fiscal year and will not cover operating loss.

MOTION: To approve RE’s Allen Peacock, Kurt Wood, Katie Miller, John Caplan, and Robby Ball serving on an ad hoc committee with Senior Associate Pastor, Dr. Case Thorp to look at the work of The Collaborative, their current and expected budget needs, and their role in helping deliver on our vision to "equip to live missionally in vocation". MSP

WORK GROUP REPORTS

2020-2021 GOALS

EQUIPPING WORK GROUP
Revised officer formation experience feedback was provided by the session. This will be revisited in a Called July Session meeting.
Senior Pastor, Dr. David D. Swanson, communicated that we will have a Called Session Meeting on July 28, 2020 with location TBD.

CLOSING PRAYER AND ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm with a closing prayer led by Minister of Family Life, Bret Allen and Associate Pastor of Congregational Care, Rev. Becky Davis.

David Swanson
Moderator

Greg Burden
Clerk