

**Session Minutes  
Fairmount Presbyterian Church  
Wednesday, October 7, 2020**

**Vision and Values**

**At Fairmount, we seek to be a place where all are:**

**Following Christ- Growing in Faith- Serving Together- Caring for All**

**As we seek to be faithful to who we believe God is calling us to be, the following values shape our mission, ministries, and witness:**

**Authenticity- Generosity-Inclusiveness-Innovation-Relevancy**

Moderator: Rev. Jessie MacMillan, Interim Senior Pastor

Clerk of Session: Bourbon L Zeigler

Session Members: Brian Perkins, Christina Seekley, Vanessa Whiting, Carol Adrine, Raleigh Duttweiler, Stephanie Washlock, David Bosler, Keith Mills, Peg Zitzner, Grant Gonnon, Sarah Pope, Lindsay Harren-Lewis (Associate Pastor).

Excused: Gordon Landefeld

6:30 pm Opening Prayer-Rev. MacMillan

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

**Motion:** to approve the Session Minutes of September 2, 2020. Seconded and Approved

**Motion:** To receive the following report of all weddings, funerals, baptisms, and communion that have taken place at the church since session previous meeting: Seconded and Approved

1. Weddings/Funerals/Baptisms:

a. Weddings: None

b. Funerals: Marias Hawley, offsite on October 3.

c. Baptisms: The sacrament of Baptism was performed for Peyton Sophia Benton and Everly Grace Benton, daughters of Kevin and Ashley Benton, by Pastor Jessie MacMillan on September 20, 2020'

2. Communion: Communion via Drive-Thru was served on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30am to 9:45 am.

**Motion:** To approve the membership statistical report through September 2, 2020. Seconded and approved.

## Deaths

- Lucien Case, died on May 23, 2020
- Ann Case, died on July 31, 2020
- Marias Hawley, died on September 27, 2020

Total Membership as of October 7, 2020

741

**ReVision Process:** Short term working groups are now being formed to develop ministry plans for the following four areas which surfaced during the Summit:

1. **Re-engaging the community** (Raleigh Duttweiler and John Zitzner)
2. **Re-connecting the church** (Gordon Landefeld and Judy Steehler)
3. **Embracing diversity and intentional anti-racism**

(Anjanette Hall, Jewel Williams, Alicia Hrubey)

4. **Becoming a catalyst for mission and social change**

- Groups will report back at the second Summit on November 21.

## **Re-Entry Task Force and Discernment in breakout groups**

- Review of Covid statistics.
- Possibility of raising the number of people from 10-15 for life events?
- Need for a practice run with actual people to test out procedures- session, deacons and Council members who are willing?
- Permission to hold a Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> outdoor All Saints service?
- Guidelines for discernment

## **Session divided into two groups on the above highlighted items, developed the following.**

1. **Motion:** The practice run should be 20 members, excluding staff and following the guidelines that are set. Seconded and approved. The pastors will select the members.
2. **Motion:** Outdoor service for All Saints service on Nov. 1 in the afternoon with 30 circles and pre-registration and all the guidelines. Seconded and Passed
3. **Motion:** to move to phase two of the re-entry guidelines that are set. Seconded and unanimously passed.
4. **Motion:** Re-entry committee to provide recommendations for maintenance and monitoring and regression for phase two. And to gather information from other churches who are having in person services by next Session meeting. Seconded and approved.

**Treasurer's Report**

1. Stewardship campaign for 2021 is reconnecting with a goal of \$710,000
2. Budget and stewardship goals are not the same
3. Third quarter endowment 9.8 million

**Motion:** To move into executive session, seconded and approved

**Closing Prayer at 8:30 pm** Rev. Harren-Lewis

Bourbon L Zeigler, Clerk of Session

Rev. MacMillian, Interim Senior Pastor