

Agenda of the Stated Session Meeting

Bayside Presbyterian Church
18 July 2023

Mission: Bayside is a covenant community of Christ's people seeking to know and do the will of God.

Vision: Changing lives by growing Christian disciples and living God's Word.

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS – OPENING PRAYER

DEVOTION

Elder Betsy Davis

REQUESTS FOR SESSION APPROVAL

1. New Member Requests: None
1. Baptism Requests: None
2. Reaffirmation of Faith Requests: None
3. Church Wedding Requests: Albert "Bill" Marchand and Victoria Cole on December 9, 2023. Bill is the Uncle of Robert Marchand.

SESSIONAL RECORDS

Clerk of Session

1. Minutes from the last Stated Session Meeting
2. Today's Agenda

Motion: It is moved by the Clerk that the Session approve the minutes from May's Session meeting and the agenda for today's Stated Meeting.

STATISTICS

1. Reception of New Members: None
2. Baptisms: None
3. Church Weddings: None
4. Member Transfers: None
5. Member Deaths: 5/14 Carole Ann Kerr, 6/24 Theresa Dunstan
6. Roll Removal Request: None

Worship Attendance

note change in Facebook and we are having issues reporting the online views – research and problem solving is in progress

Month	Date	9:00 AM	11:00 AM	Total	Comments
May	7-May		125	125	Youth Sunday
	14-May	40	68	108	Mother's Day
	21-May	40	98	138	
	28-May		10:00 am 115	115	Pentecost/Memorial Day Wknd
Total		80	291	486	
	AVG	40	73	122	
Month	Date	9:00 AM	10:00 AM	Total	Comments
Jun	4-Jun		129	129	
	11-Jun		100	100	
	18-Jun		115	115	Guest Minister & Organist
	25-Jun		72	72	Guest Organist
Total		0	416	416	
	AVG	0	104	104	

Christian Education Statistics

(Not available at the time of posting agenda. Will be added to minutes)

FINANCIAL REPORT AND ISSUES:

Balance Sheet & Treasurer's Report (posted to website)

Motion needed.

COMMUNICATIONS: (Members, PCUSA, PEVA, Other):

PEVA / CHURCH INFORMATION

1. PEVA Meetings 2022

- Tuesday July 25, 2023, 10am – Wycliffe Presbyterian – Virginia Beach
 - Elders Jesberg and Verburg to report.
- Tuesday October 24, 2023, 10am – Bayside Presbyterian – Virginia Beach
 - Note: Please add to your calendars as many volunteers will be needed.
 - Last PEVA Presbytery Meeting prior to Rev. Hendricks retirement – potentially larger than normal attendance
- Saturday January 27, 2024, 10am – Great Bridge Presbyterian – Chesapeake

NEW BUSINESS

1. From Endowment:

Having earlier approved a \$5000 expenditure for the Website Redesign, the Endowment Committee has approved the following recommendations: **Motions are needed for A and B.**

- A. Fund \$5,000 in college scholarships (5 students @ \$1,000 each) (requested by Summer Moore)

- B. Fund \$5,650 for cost and travel expenses for the Raleigh Ringers performance and workshop (championed by George Wong and Chris Pascuzzi)
- C. Deferred the approval of a request for funds for Easter special music in 2024 – expected to approve in January of 2024

The total allocation from Endowment for 2023 is \$19,140, so \$3,490 is still available.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

1. Book Discussion – *Think Again* by Adam Grant – Chapters 1 to 8
2. Matthew 25 Discussion – Link to Information
<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/matthew-25/>
3. Session Retreat Follow Up
 - a) All should come prepared to share their “Why”. The Why for Bayside, why do we bother doing ministry – what should be our driving motivator. We will capture the whys and share them for all to contemplate and a follow up meeting will be scheduled.

STAFF REPORTS

Director of Music Ministries

Chi-Yi Chen Wolbrink

- * Invitation to Children’s Choir and parents to join Summer Walk-in Choir.
- *Organ company working crew are installing more lower pipes on July 12 and 13.
- *Choir room and robe room are going to be renovated from August 5th-September 1 st .
- *We hosting a Collaborative Handbell workshop with Haygood UMC, Kings Grant PC and Church of Holy Family on September 23 rd from 3:30-4:30 pm with the Raleigh Ringers.

Below are Highlights of Sunday services for the coming months

July 23 Chi Yi Away, Con-Ed, Janet Phelps subbing organist
 July 30 VBS Sunday
 Sep 3 rd Last Sunday of Summer service 10am
 Oct 1 st Consecration Sunday, World Communion Sunday
 Oct 22 Possible Anniversary celebration
 Nov 5 th Daylight saving time ends.
 Nov 26 Christ the King
 Dec 3 rd First Advent, Christmas Cantata

- *Planning the Fall season music, which includes Advent, Christmas until Epiphany.

*Service for the wider church:

PAM 2024: Co-director and planning team, Zoom meeting every other Monday.
 Received an invitation from Emmanuel College of Victoria University in the University of Toronto to co-author an essay with Rev. Dr. Jonathan Seitz for a volume to honor Rev. Dr. I-to Loh, the former President of Tainan Theological College and Seminary. Please

see the attached letter.

*Outside professional connections:

Adjunct Professor, Norfolk State University, Music Department, Fall 2023. The semester starts on August 21 st .

*Continuing Education OR Vacation??

Asian Immigration Churches conference July 21-24, Woodbridge NJ
Monthly Presbyterian Association of Musicians (PAM) and Hymn Society webinars.
Tentatively trip to Taiwan, December 26, 2023-Jan 16, 2024

Reflections from PAM 2023; Music & Arts and Worship conference

Theme-Thirst No More

This is my 12 th year participating in the PAM Montreat conference. As one of the 7 planning team members, I feel responsible for helping make this conference very inspirational. How can we help congregations use tried-and true methods, real-life nuts and bolts, in the right way?

A new event during worship services was the inclusion of two service musicians who provided leadership. These two musicians brought a wide variety of languages and songs to our worship. Sharing what we've learned in our own congregations, we sang, prayed and worshiped in ways that reflected the true diversity of PAM.

I did an interest session on how Asian Hymns have influenced World Christianity. I was thrilled to have help from former colleague Rev. Kim Coyle to do the PowerPoint. Our new bee Seminary graduate Patrick Long also attended. The session was well attended and also attracted multicultural church pastors. I was thrilled after my presentation to have people ask me to offer more information from Asian hymnals.

The Artist of the conference this year is Steve Prince, Resident Artist of Engagement from the College of William&Mary in Williamsburg. Steve's art has brought a lot thinking and discussion because its so different from past conference artists. There was a black and white banner up each day with a different theme for worship. The art class was fascinating; people were asked to tell their own faith story through the arts. It was a truly therapy through the arts.

The conference also provided a wonderful opportunity on intergenerational setting, drumming class was one of them, you can see the picture as below; the adult drummer is John Fritz, from Kings Grant PC, played with two young worshipers as postlude at the end of worship, they became good friend after a week class together.

Director of Faith Formation

Summer Moore

Associate Pastor

Rev. Emma Ouellette

In June I had the amazing opportunity to travel to Greece and learn more about Paul's journey in the bible. It was an amazing trip and I am so thankful I had the opportunity to go. Before the trip I worked on several small projects that required my attention before I left. Here are some highlights from June and July.

- Continued work with the CPM for presbytery

- Worked with Linda Vogl to go through membership of confirmed youth in Church windows
- Attended Rise Against Hunger
- Preached twice
- I've helped Summer with Vacation Bible School brainstorming and prep
- Did pastoral visits and calls
- Stayed in communication with our website coordinator to start organizing the kick off of our website overhaul in August
- Worked on Summer and Fall liturgy for worship
- Started prep work on a special project for the 70th Anniversary celebration

I'm sure there is more my brain isn't recalling at this moment. The summer has been really busy and has gone by quickly. I know the fall will bring several special events and opportunities and I'm looking forward to sharing those with you.

Joyfully,
Emma

Pastor / Head of Staff

Rev. Dr. David Rollins

SUPPLEMENTAL MINISTRY REPORTS
(Items/issues not included in Ministry Minutes)

CLOSING WITH PRAYER

Next Meeting August 15, 2023, 7:00pm
Devotion Elder Marshall Miller