MINUTES

Presbytery of Sheppards and Lapsley

Synod of Living Waters

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Called Meeting

July 8, 2019

**GOD CALLS US TOGETHER**

The Presbytery of Sheppards and Lapsley of the Synod of Living Waters of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) met in the Called Meeting on July 8, 2019 at 2:00 p.m., at Oakmont Chapel Presbyterian Church, Hoover, Alabama, to take action on the Trustees recommendations for sale of properties and utility easement,

The meeting was called by Moderator Susan Clayton, Moderator of the Presbytery of Sheppards and Lapsley, with the concurrence of Teaching Elders John Brock and Leeann Scarbrough, and Ruling Elders Rush Watson (Grace) and Jane Clayton (Montevallo) for the purpose listed in the reading of the call. (Appendix C-1)

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Susan Clayton who then offered the convening prayer.

ORGANIZATION

On advice of the Stated Clerk, a quorum was declared by the Moderator.

The following were enrolled for this Called Meeting of Presbytery:

**Teaching Elders** (21)John Brock, Sid Burgess, Molly Clark,Susan Clayton, Lant Davis, Debbie Feagin, Patrick Harley, Sam Hamilton-Poore, Terry Hamilton-Poore, Steve Jones, Neil McCarter, Kathy Wolf Reed, Leeann Scarbrough,Paul Sherwood, Charles Sims, Joe Slane, Lucy Turner, Lindsey Wade, Jay Wilkins, Tom Winter, Jonathan Yarboro,

**Ruling Elders** (24 from 17 different churches)Number in parenthesis is number of commissioners authorized. Others from same church voting member by nature of presbytery office.

Birmingham Bold Springs (1) Chuck Kukal

Birmingham Independent (5) Kate Waters

 Martha Reeves

 Ravenna MacNab

Birmingham Oakmont Chapel (1) Ralls Coston

Birmingham Oakmont Chapel (Treasurer) Jean Russell

Birmingham Riverchase (1) Sandra Vaughn

Birmingham Second (1) Phyllis Vaughan

Birmingham Shades Valley (1) Dot Riley

Birmingham South Highland (2) Kathy Tracey

 Bob Hunter

Birmingham South Highland (Vice Mod) Bill Stribling

Birmingham Southminster (1) Al Nebrig

Birmingham Southminster (Council) Rick Reed

Eufaula First (1) Zoe Powell

Green Pond Green Pond Beverly Dodson

Leeds Leeds (1) Charles Gabert

Montevallo Montevallo (1) Don Clayton

Montevallo Montevallo (EC Mod) Jane Clayton

Springville Springville (1) Dale Thompson

Sylacauga First (1) Jerry Rayffield

Talladega First (1) Frank Hubbard

Tuscaloosa Grace (1) Rush Watson

Union Springs Union Springs (1) Bill Sauser

**Reading of the Call for the Meeting**

The Stated Clerk read the call for this meeting as follows:

1. Approval of the sale of Southwood Presbyterian Church property to Mr. Tommy Strickland for $70,000.00. Proceeds from the sale are to be retained by First Presbyterian Church, Talladega, Alabama. **Approved**
2. Approval for First Presbyterian Church, Auburn, Alabama to grant Alabama Power Company an easement for the purpose to construct, install, operate and maintain underground utility line across their property.  **Approved**
3. Approval of the sale of Chapel in the Pines property to Birmingham Community Church for $1,000,000.00 with Oakmont Chapel Presbyterian Church doing owner financing. Terms will be $100,000.00 down payment, interest rate 4% for 30 years, *with down payment of ($100,000) and first 47.2 months of the payments ($202,712.00) received from buyer to repay loan from church members for mortgage payoff on Chapel in the Pines.***Approved**
4. Approval of the sale of the manse of First Presbyterian Church, Sylacauga to Anna Browning for $120,000. Proceeds of the sale of the manse will be placed in a designated account to provide a housing allowance for future installed pastors. **Approved**
5. Anything else pertaining to or arising from the above items of business.

A motion was made, seconded and adopted that the call be found in order.

According to Presbytery Standing Rule 3.0101 no other business than that listed in the call could be transacted and a motion to adjourn with prayer was approved by acclamation.

The Rev. Paul Sherwood closed the meeting with prayer.

Tom Winter Linda Burrowes

Stated Clerk Recording Clerk

 Appendix C-1

 **PRESBYTERY OF SHEPPARDS AND LAPSLEY**

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June 28, 2019

I, Susan Clayton, moderator of the Presbytery of Sheppards and Lapsley, with the concurrence of teaching elders, John Brock and Leeann Scarbrough, and ruling elders Rush Watson,

Grace, and Jane Clayton, Montevallo, do hereby call a Special Meeting of Presbytery to be held on Monday, July 8, 2019 at 2:00 PM in the sanctuary of Oakmont Chapel Presbyterian Church, 1817 Patton Chapel Road, Hoover, Al 35226 for the purpose of:

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5. **Anything else pertaining to or arising from the above items of business.**

**Since a quorum of 15 teaching elders and 15 ruling elders of Presbytery representing at least 15 congregations is required for a called meeting, please contact the presbytery office of your intention to attend.**

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Appendix C-2

**Called Meeting of the Presbytery of Sheppards and Lapsley**

**Monday, July 8, 2019 - 2:00 p.m.**

**Oakmont Chapel Presbyterian Church**

Call to Order and Opening Prayer Susan Clayton, Moderator

Organization

 Declaration of a Quorum

Trustees Report Rush Watson

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\*Closing Prayer and Benediction

**PLEASE SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES**

\*Please stand, if able

**NEXT PRESBYTERY MEETING: THURSDAY, AUGUST 15, 2019**

**GRACE PRESBYTERIAN, TUSCALOOSA**

We wish to extend a special thank you to the Rev. Paul Sherwood, the Session and

Congregation of Oakmont for hosting today’s called Presbytery Meeting .