

CHURCH OF THE COVENANT
MINUTES OF THE SESSION MEETING: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2018

CURRENT RULING ELDERS PRESENT: John Artuso, Charlie Bowers, George Camlin, Sue Denmead, Ben Evans, Dan Halulko, Lucy Johnson, Chuck Neff, Kim O'Donnell, Butch Richmond, and Katie Wichterman

CURRENT RULING ELDERS EXCUSED: Jason Dille, Wayne Hunnell, Jim Hyland, Patty Mounts, Robynne Myers, Connie Simon, and Jeremy Zajdel

STAFF PRESENT: Rev. Kay Balderose

OPENING PRAYER AND DEVOTIONS

Pastor Kay Balderose convened this special meeting of the Session of The Church of the Covenant with prayer on Wednesday, August 29, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the Dining Room. The purpose of the meeting was to act on a recommendation from the Personnel Committee to accept Dr. Broberg's work plan and proposal (see below) for his work schedule while he helps his mother recover from a recent serious fall. Dr. Broberg also recommended that the Session approve Pastor Kay as "Moderator pro-tem" for the Session, including the regularly scheduled session meeting on Monday, September 10, 2018.

Here is a copy of the plan as found in the e-mail sent by Dr. Broberg:

Fri, Aug 24, 11:46 AM

Stuart Broberg (copy of email)

to The Denmeads, Patricia, Patricia, me, Debi, John, Ben, stuartbroberg, Jonathan

Dear Sue, John and Pat:

With Mother's fall and breaking her pelvis I am going to need time in September to address her care and transition back to Washington. She will need to be transferred to a skilled nursing facility here in Huron, Ohio as of tomorrow, August 25th. I will need to supervise her care until she is released to travel toward the end of September.

So I propose the following as a plan to do this:

I am scheduled to preach each Sunday in September, with the exception of Labor Day, and I would continue to do this. But mid-week I would be in Huron supervising Mother's care and her caregivers. Pastor Kay would assume leadership of pastoral care responsibilities, be appointed moderator pro tem of session, and help to lead mid week staff meetings. Session committees would need to be led by the elders. The ministry team will need to help augment visitation under Pastor Kay's direction and organize in home communion for the first Sunday in October. I have spoken with Pastor Kay and she is open to these responsibilities assuming I am doing the preaching.

I would seek to handle any face to face meetings and pastoral visits on Sunday afternoon prior to returning to Ohio.

The goal is for this all to conclude prior to Pastor Kay's scheduled vacation beginning September 23rd. The ministry team would need to help me with visitation and worship leadership while Pastor Kay is away on a much deserved vacation.

Happy to speak with you about this by phone. I would like Personnel to consider and revise the plan as you decide but also present it to the September session meeting for their review. I suppose a specially called session meeting prior to the regularly scheduled one would also be in order but I would trust you to make that determination

God bless you. I am very moved by the scheduled prayer meeting to pray for me and my Mother. It is great to be part of a wonderful church family.

Pastor Stu

I am copying Jonathan Pachter, Ben Evans, Debi Nicolella and Pastor Kay on this for their information.

The motion came from the Personnel Committee, so no second was needed. The Session briefly discussed the motion, and then voted unanimously to approve the motion.

ADJOURNING AND CLOSING PRAYER

After a motion by Ben Evans and a second by Dan Halulko, the Session unanimously approved the motion to adjourn. Pastor Kay adjourned the meeting with a prayer at 7:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan M. Pachter

Jonathan M. Pachter, Clerk of Session