

Session Business

January 17, 2021

1. Session approved the 2021 Budget recommended by the Administration and Personnel Committee. It was noted that several 2021 pledges have not yet been received and that pledges are very important to planning operations of the church in support of God's work.
2. Three Building and Grounds major projects were reported on: solution progress on the church's complex drainage issues; replacement of gym halogen lights with LEDs and other needed lighting changes; and a youth special project being developed. It also was noted that a large gift was received, designated for building maintenance.
3. Prayers were requested for FPC's 2021 *Reconnect, Rebuild, and Restore* focus. One elder is writing personal notes to those she has not seen due to the pandemic.
4. The Nominating Committee has completed its work, and a called Congregation meeting was approved for January 31, 2021 during the Youth Chili Cookoff for the purpose of receiving the Committee's report. A Zoom option, if possible, may be available.
5. The Task Force to add new pews is waiting for the funds to arrive that were a committed gift for the purchase of pews.
6. In addition to considering uses for FPC's land, a Task Force for that purpose will also examine underutilized revenue resources and ways to reduce the church debt obligation, which includes 23 years remaining on the building mortgage.
7. The Annual Congregation Meeting will be held on Sunday, March 7, 2021 at about 11:30 in the FLC gym and on Zoom.
8. Dr. Green thanked the Session Class of 2020 for their tremendous dedication and continued service during an extended period due to the pandemic.

Baptisms: Colin Yates, Tracy Yates, Max Henry David Yates, and Luke Yates on December 24, 2020 by profession of faith.

Death: Marguerite "Muffy" Crowl on December 31, 2020.