



*First Presbyterian Church  
418 W. Coolidge  
Borger, Texas 79007  
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## **New Year's Day or Football Day?**

As in many homes on New Year's Day, my wife and I faced the annual conflict of which was more important - the football games on television, or the dinner itself. To keep peace, I ate dinner with the rest of the family, and even lingered for some pleasant after-dinner conversation before retiring to the family room to turn on the game.

Several minutes later, my wife came downstairs and graciously even bought a cold beverage for me with her. She smiled, kissed me on the cheek and asked what the score was. I told her it was the end of the third quarter and that the score was still nothing to nothing.

"See?" she said, continuing to smile, "You didn't miss a thing."

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### *Care of Members*



*Please keep these members and friends in your prayers.*

*Scott Glenn*

*Bobbie Farrell*



## Session Actions

The Stated Session meeting was held in the Conference Room, beginning with prayer at 11:40

a.m. The following were present and constituted a quorum: Moderator, the Rev. Georgia King and Elders Margaret Edgington, H.W. Hebermehl, Hazel Howard, Julia Kasch and Jerry Pool. Also present were Treasurer Pam Nicholas and members of the Memorial Committee: Sue Hooten, C.J. Nelson and Bonnie Schropp.

The minutes of the October meeting were accepted as written. Motion by Elder Pool and seconded by Elder Howard. The transfer of membership of Brenda Harwerth and Hannah Harwerth to the First Presbyterian Church of Pendleton, OR was approved. Due to the untoward delay in this action, Rev. King will send an E-mail to Rev. Harwerth and Elder Hebermehl will do the appropriate follow up to complete this transfer. Other communications were noted.

The question rose concerning the number of sick days available to the church secretary. It was decided simply to pay "as needed." The cost of moving the piano to the church was \$150. Motion by Elder Edgington, seconded by Elder Pool to approve this expense. Motion passed. The balance of funds available to the Memorial Committee and the policy statement in the Operation Manual applicable to that Committee were reviewed in detail. An elder will meet with the Committee and bring changes and recommendations to the Session and the policy will be revised. The original question was the appropriateness of purchasing a computer from the Memorial funds. By motion of Elder Kasch, seconded by Elder Pool, costs of the purchase were redesignated from Memorial to General funds. A formal Memorial fund balanced will be established as we move into 2007. It was moved by Elder Pool with second by Elder Edgington to have the Memorial Committee purchase a new (artificial) Christmas tree. Motion passed. Elder Edgington reported the Kitchen Fund balance is \$923. the informal consensus of the Session is to replace the existing gas stove with a new , electric one. Motion by Elder Kasch with second by Elder Pool to have Elder Edgington form a committee with two others to investigate the purchase cost may exceed the balance of the Kitchen Fund plus the sale value of the old stove. Motion passed. The Treasurer's report was approved by motion of Elder Kasch, second by Elder Pool.

Elder Pool reported that a proposal has been negotiated with Richards Roofing to replace damaged portions of the church roof. The contract total is \$20,688.23. Damaged parts will be completely removed, with replacement wit felt underlay and 50-year shingles. Motion to accept this contract was made by Elder Pool, with second by Elder Kasch. Motion passed. Approximately \$19,000 has been received from the insurance company with an additional payment to cover the balance of the repairs when

completed. Regarding other repairs, the West doors have been completely refurbished. Ceilings in the mew music rooms are being replaced and the rooms painted and re-carpeted. The entrance and parlor ceilings likewise will be repaired. Overall costs of these improvements will be about \$6,000.

All persons have been arranged through the remainder of 2006 for various Worship activities. We will need pulpit supply for the January 14 and 21, 2007 Sundays.

We will set up a Fellowship calendar schedule for the entire year. We will also look into dropping Wednesday evening events between Thanksgiving and the end of the year.

Rev. King will meet with the communicants on January 7. Elders Julia Kasch and Hazel Howard will rotate off the Session at the end of 2006. Their services were noted with thanks and appreciation. Duty Elders for the first quarter of 2007 are:

- a. January- Margaret Edgington
- b. February- Jerry Pool
- c. March- Hal Hebermehl

The annual meeting of the Congregation will be January 28, 2007. Next stated meeting of the Session will be January 25, 2007.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 pm.

The Treasurer reported the following figures for November:

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| Total Income   | \$7,537.29         |
| Total Expenses | <u>\$5,731.32</u>  |
| Total          | \$1,805.97         |
| Year to Date   |                    |
| Total Income   | \$80,163.52        |
| Total Expenses | <u>\$68,215.65</u> |
| Total          | \$11,947.87        |

### **Just A Reminder**

**Committee chairs are reminded to turn in their annual reports as soon as possible. You can turn them into Dara or slide them under her door. Or you may email them to the Church.**

## Notes from the Music



### Department

We are through cleaning Scott's old office. It has been painted a beautiful yellow and will have new carpet laid sometime in the next few weeks. My goal is to have the choir begin using this room during the month of January. We will have an open house as soon as the repairs are completed. I would like to thank again Toni Pool, Marilyn Pearce, Aleyene Watkins, and Phyllis Harmony for all the time they have donated to moving music from one place to another. I would like also like to thank Aleyene for cataloging all the music envelopes and typing up a list of all the music we have in our store room. This will help tremendously in finding music for the choir to perform each Sunday!!

The congregation is always invited to sing the Closing Response with the choir. For the month of January, the closing response will be one that Marge Shepherd left for us to learn. The choir will learn this response and help the congregation learn it during the month of January. I hope to use this response off and on during the next few months. The words will be printed in each Sunday's bulletin. We invite you to share with us!

As always, if you have a favorite anthem or any special music you would like us to perform, we invite you to let us know. I can never thank our loyal choir members enough for their dedication. We are small in number but large in sound. I love you all and give you my heartfelt thanks!

Thank You!  
Pat Petty

## Church Improvements

**The West interior side of the building is currently being cleaned and improved by paint, new ceilings, and carpet.**



**There is going to be a new ceiling in the parlor room and also the front entry way. We are moving**

**everyone from the East side to the west side to discontinue the use of the East side. On the east side of the building the shrubs have been removed and grass will be planted. If anyone has any new ideas for this area please let a Session member know.**

## Other News

**Georgia will be gone January 14<sup>th</sup>, and January 21<sup>st</sup>. The Pulpit will be filled by Rev. Milam Brantley of Amarillo, and Ross Clopton, who is the Presbytery representative.**

### **RECALL NOTICE!**

IMPORTANT!

The maker of all human beings is recalling all units manufactured, regardless of make or year, due to the serious defect in the primary and central component or heart. This is due to a malfunction in the original prototype units, resulting in the reproduction of the same defect in all subsequent units. This defect has been technically termed, 'Subsequential Internal Non-Morality,' or more commonly known as S-I-N, as it is primarily symptomized by loss of moral judgment. Some other symptoms are:

- (a) Loss of direction
- (b) Foul vocal emissions
- (c) Amnesia of origin
- (d) Lack of peace and joy
- (e) Selfish, or violent, behavior
- (f) Depression or confusion in the mental component

The manufacturer, who is neither liable or at fault for this defect, is providing factory authorized repair and service, free of charge to correct this SIN defect, at numerous locations throughout the world. The number to call for the recall station in your area is: P-R-A-Y-E-R

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