



*First Presbyterian Church
418 W. Coolidge
Borger, Texas 79007
~September 2007~*



“Church in the Park” will be
Sunday September 9th in
Huber Park at 10:30 a.m.
There will be a potluck lunch
immediately after worship.
The church will provide the
fried chicken, drinks, and
paper goods. All are
welcome.

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Organist and Music Director- Pat Petty

Secretary- Dara Garlington

Session Actions



Session meeting was opened with prayer by Georgia King, Moderator, at approximately 11:45 am. The following were present: Jerry Pool, Margaret Edgington, Phyllis Harmony, Leah Buckland, Pat Petty who served as Clerk, and Georgia King, Moderator. Absent was Hal Hebermehl. Ms. Petty was elected to serve as Clerk Pro-tem.

CLERK'S REPORT

The following was reported by Reverend King in Mr. Hebermehl's absence.

1. Presbytery meeting (retreat) in Floydada on October 4 thru 6, 2007. One elder is needed to attend with our pastor.
2. Thank You received from Hutchinson County Crisis Center for our (budgeted) donation of \$20.00.
3. Corrections to the minutes for July 2007 meeting were made. All minutes beginning with the May meeting were approved with a motion from Margaret Edgington and a second from Jerry Pool.

TREASURER'S REPORT

1. Report received and approve.
2. Discussion regarding the current Memorial Fund. Decision made to handle at September meeting. We will then discuss how the Memorial Committee will be formed or reformed, etc

PASTOR'S REPORT

Georgia will be out two (2) Sundays in September: BSA on-call September 2 and vacation September 16, 2007. We will have a structured hymn sign with scripture on September 2, and the Reverend Glendell Smith from Amarillo will be our guest on September 16.

NOMINATING REPORT

Georgia reminded the Nominating Committee should begin to make plans to meet soon. We will be replacing 2 elders on the Session in January, 2008. Pat Petty will see to it that the committee be called and start that process of replacing elders.

PROPERTY REPORT

Jerry Pool reported that the Property Committee has everything under control. The roof has been completed along with repairs from the air conditioning leak in the sanctuary. Jerry reminded the Session that our insurance has a \$250.00 deductible and we have had 2 claims recently. The additional \$850.00 that was received from Guide One

was for the sanctuary. The deductible will be covered from our General Fund.

WORSHIP REORT

Session agreed to cancel Communion that had been previously scheduled for September 16, 2007. We will celebrate Communion on October 7, 2007, World Wide Communion Sunday. Session discussed details for "Church in the Park" on September 9, 2007. Jerry will call the AA group and ask for assistance in moving chairs, tables, and the electronic keyboard to and from the park. The church will provide the chicken, drinks, cups, plates, etc. Margaret Edgington will handle those details. We also discussed inviting some of the other churches. Georgia King will handle calling Wesley Methodist, First Christian, Trinity Lutheran, and St. Peter's Episcopal. Phyllis Harmony will take care of advertising in the Borger News Herald. Pat Petty announced that she will be gone on October 21, 2007 and November 18, 2007. She has asked Marilyn Pearce to fill in for her. Pat will also make arrangements to have the piano in the sanctuary and the piano in the choir room tuned in the next few months.

FELLOWSHIP REPORT

Discussion was held concerning the Wednesday night Pot Luck. After much discussion, it was suggested that on the Wednesday night that Session was to meet and that we move Choir Practice to 5:30 for that Wednesday only. This solution seemed to be the best for all involved. It was also suggested that we have a Pot Luck dinner after church possibly once every other month. Further conversation will be help at the September session **meeting**.

CHRISTIAN ED REPORT

Georgia will begin her "Pauline" study with the Adult Sunday School class on September 23, 2007. That class will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 9:15. All church members are encouraged to attend this Bible study.

There being no old business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 pm.

Pat Petty, Clerk Protem

The Treasurer reported the following figures for July:

Total Income	\$15,775.03
Total Expenses	<u>\$16,419.65</u>

Total		\$ (644.62)	Total Expenses	<u>\$73,007.92</u>
	Year to Date		Total	\$ (5,640.99)
Total Income		\$67,366.93		

JOIN US FOR: The Life, Writings and Theology of Paul Sundays at 9:15a.m. beginning September 23rd Fellowship Hall. Taught by Reverend Georgia King.

2007 PC(USA) Peacemaking Offering and World Communion Sunday

While World Communion Sunday is not part of the church's historic liturgical calendar, it has been an ecumenical observance since 1936. On every Lord's Day, Presbyterians can celebrate our unity with believers around the world at the Lord's Table. On Sunday, October 7, we will reaffirm our commitment to faithful witness in the world as we await the coming fullness of God's reign of peace. The Presbyterian Church (USA) has ecumenical relations with 165 church partner communions and with many other organizations around the world. As we celebrate World Communion Sunday, remember our unity with all Christians and pray especially for our partners, who will also be receiving Communion.

Women's circle

The first fall meeting will be on Thursday September 6th, and every first Thursday of the month thereafter. If you have any questions contact Leah Buckland at 273-7376

Notes from the Music Department

Greetings from the Music Department! September is here and time for our church life to get back into full swing. School has started. We should be on the receiving end of some cooler weather soon. And I am more than ready for some cooler weather! Don't forget September 9 – Church in the Park. This is a wonderful way to get back into the routine of things and for food, fun, fellowship, and worship!



The choir will start back to its regular schedule of practice on Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm. First practice will be September 5, 2007. There will be one slight change in meeting time each month. On the Wednesday that the Session meets, choir practice will begin at 5:30 pm and it will be a short practice. There will also be a Pot Luck dinner on those Wednesday's that Session meets with the Session meeting at 7:00 pm. This time change will be for only one Wednesday a month and hopefully will allow all of us the time we need to accomplish what we need to do on that Wednesday night. For the month of September, that early choir practice will be September 26. The Session hopes that this change will meet with everyone's approval.

Closing Response for the month of September will be "Go with God". The words will be printed in the bulletin for the congregation to follow. The choir has all ready been learning this response. It is short and sweet and to the point – my kind of closing response! I have also been playing the tune the last two Sunday's at the very beginning of church as the choir and minister take their seats. So it won't be a surprise to you. At least the tune will be somewhat familiar!

As always, a great big "thank you" to our very devoted choir members for their dedication this summer. We are indeed a very blessed congregation with this wonderful group of people. They make my job such a pleasure and fun at the same time. They keep me on my toes!

As always, if you have a favorite anthem or any special music you would like to hear, we invite you to let us know.

We keep Scott Glenn, Bobbie Farrell, and Bob & Alyene Watkins in our prayers.

Thank You!
Pat Petty



Care of Members

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

Scott Glenn
Bobbie Farrell
Bob Watkins