

## Meeting of the Wycliffe Presbytery

Sandestin Resort, Destin, Florida

November 14-15, 2017

Presiding Minister (PM) Todd Davis called the meeting to order at approximately 2:40 p.m. followed by an opening welcome and brief review of the agenda. PM Davis read the first chapter of Titus.

Member churches were represented by Pastor Todd Davis (Christ Church of Searcy), Pastor Phil Bozarth and Elder Charles Williams (Grace Covenant Church of Jonesboro/Fontaine), Elders Dale Pickard and Chris Comis (Grace Covenant Church of Texarkana), Pastor Steve Wilkins (Auburn Avenue Presbyterian Church), Pastor John Barach (Covenant Presbyterian Church of Sulphur), Pastor Jeff Niell and Elder Gene Capone (All Saints Presbyterian Church of Fort Worth), Pastor Randy Booth and Elder Jonathan Landrum (Grace Covenant Church of Nacogdoches), Pastor Adam McIntosh and Elder Gil Shivers (St. David's Church of Hockley), and Pastor Oleg Volkov (Reformed Presbyterian Church of St. Petersburg). Heritage Covenant Church of Weatherford, TX was not represented.

Mission church Christ Covenant Church of San Antonio, a mission of Grace Covenant Church of Nacogdoches, was represented by Pastor Joe Rosales.

Following the introduction of the aforementioned, Jarrod Richey led the singing of *O God of Earth and Altar* and *From Heav'n O Praise the Lord* (Psalm 148).

PM Davis read the Presiding Minister's Report published in the *Documents for the 2017 Meetings of Presbytery and Council*. Two actions were taken by PM Davis in the interim since the 2016 meeting of Presbytery: the appointment of Rev. Randy Booth to organize and chair a committee to examine Mr. Chris Comis for ordination as Pastor of Grace Covenant Church of Texarkana, and the appointment of Rev. Steve Wilkins to organize and chair a committee to examine Mr. Drew Maney for ordination as Assistant Pastor of Auburn Avenue Presbyterian Church.

Elder Gil Shivers offered and Pastor Randy Booth seconded a motion to accept PM Davis's report and ratify the above-noted actions. The motion passed unanimously.

PM Davis called on Pastor Steve Wilkins to preside over the examination of Mr. Drew Maney. After questions from committee members Pastor John Barach, Pastor Jeff Niell, Elder David Alders and various Presbytery delegates, the examination was ended at approximately 4:30 p.m., whereupon PM Davis announced a brief recess. Pastor Wilkins announced that the examination committee would offer a motion to recommend Drew Maney for ordination as a minister of Auburn Avenue Presbyterian Church. Following brief discussion, Pastor Wilkins moved the recommendation on behalf of the committee, and the vote to approve was unanimous. Following a brief prayer by PM Davis, the Presbytery recessed for the evening as of 4:50 p.m..

PM Davis reconvened the meeting at 9:07 a.m. on November 15. He called on Pastor Niell to lead prayer and then read the second chapter of Titus.

PM Davis introduced Church Reports and called on a representative of each congregation to present his church's report.

Pastor Jeff Niell presented the report of All Saints Presbyterian Church of Fort Worth, TX, after which Pastor Adam McIntosh prayed.

Pastor Adam McIntosh presented the report of St. David's Church of Hockley, TX, after which Pastor Steve Wilkins prayed.

Pastor Steve Wilkins presented the report of Auburn Avenue Presbyterian Church of Monroe, LA, after which Pastor Niell prayed.

Pastor Randy Booth presented the report of Grace Covenant Church of Nacogdoches, TX, after which Pastor Oleg Volkov prayed.

Pastor Joe Rosales presented the report of Christ Covenant Church of San Antonio, TX, after which Pastor Chris Comis prayed.

Pastor Oleg Volkov presented the report of Reformed Presbyterian church of St. Petersburg, Russia, after which Pastor Joe Rosales prayed.

Pastor Todd Davis presented the report of Christ Church in Searcy, AR, after which Pastor John Barach prayed.

Pastor John Barach presented the report of Covenant Presbyterian Church of Sulphur, LA, after which Pastor Randy Booth prayed.

Pastor Chris Comis presented the report of Grace Covenant Church of Texarkana, AR, after which Pastor Todd Davis prayed.

Pastor Phillip Bozarth presented the report of Grace Covenant Church of Fontaine, AR, after which Elder Gil Shivers prayed.

PM Davis introduced the four discussion items published in the Council agenda, seeking the counsel of the Presbytery on those items. Discussion ensued on those four items but no action was taken.

Pastor Wilkins offered and Pastor Niell seconded a motion to adjourn, which passed unanimously. PM Davis concluded the meeting with a prayer and a blessing at 12:11 p.m.