Fall 2026 Wycliffe Presbytery Minutes

September 29 – October 1, 2026
Nashville, Tennessee

- Call to Order at 9:07 am.
- Welcome and Singing: *Lord, Keep us Steadfast in Thy Word*
- Roll Call and Seating of Delegates
    - Michael Kidd and Collin Houseal: Four Winds Reformed Church – Bono, AR
    - Joshua Luper: Trinity Covenant Church – Wichita, KS
    - Phil Walters and Aaron Booth: Church of the Redeemer – West Monroe, LA
    - Rob Hadding and James Nabours: Covenant Reformed Church – Sulphur, LA
    - Mark Balthrop and Brad Billheimer: Redeemer Reformed Church – Oklahoma City, OK
    - Steve Jeffery and Geoff Shaw: All Saints Presbyterian Church – Ft. Worth, TX
    - Jeff Ripple and Caleb Ripple: Christ Fellowship Church – Taylor, TX
    - David Alders and Roy Bradley: Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church – Nacogdoches, TX
    - Nick Esch and Carl Francis: Cornerstone Reformed Church – Terrell, TX
    - Garrett Craw and Jordan Vimont: King's Cross Reformed Church – Austin, TX
    - Will Martin: Trinity Reformed Church – Muldoon, TX
    - Adam McIntosh and Doug Matangelo: Saint David's Reformed Church – Tomball, TX
    - Steve Willborg: Trinity Reformed Presbyterian Church – Magnolia, TX
    - Gabe Wetmore and Nate Enns: Christ Church Boerne – Boerne, TX
    - Jeff Niell and Daniel Robinson: Christ Covenant Presbyterian Church – Granbury, TX
    - Clerk (non-voting): Jonathan Landrum, Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church – Nacogdoches, TX.
- Noted Mission and Candidate churches.
    - Matt Caughey, Dane Jóhannsson: Church of the Triumphant King – Weatherford, TX
    - Daniel Alders: Providence Church – Tyler, TX
    - Sammie Hargrave and Craig Mischenko: King's Covenant Reformed Church, Georgetown, TX
    - Candidate church: Scott Pettus and Don Christie – First Church, Artesia, NM
    - Trinity Reformed Church, Tulsa, OK: no elders present
- Introduction of Visitors
- Approval of Agenda: motion by James Nabours, seconded by Garrett Craw to approve. Unanimous approval.
- Devotion and Prayer by Rob Hadding.

- Approval of Minutes of Spring 2026 Presbytery Meeting: motion by Nick Esch, seconded by Aaron Booth to approve without changes. Unanimous approval.
- Presiding Minister's Report: presented by Rob Hadding. Motion by Gabe Wetmore and seconded by James Nabours to approve. Unanimous approval.
- New Business
    - Scott Pettus – Ordination Examination. Questions from the examination committee (Adam McIntosh, chair, Geoff Shaw, Garrett Craw). Received questions from the floor. The committee was dismissed to deliberate and make a recommendation. Visitors dismissed. Executive session discussion: the examination committee's recommendation is to sustain his examination with the requirement that the examination committee will oversee a mentorship with updates to the PMoP, and will report to presbytery meetings over a 1 year period. Approved unanimously. Scott Pettus returned and was given a report of the vote and gladly agreed to the instructions given to the committee. PMoP Hadding administered the declarations of his examination and reception into the CREC.
- Presentations
    - Reformed Evangelical Seminary – Randy Booth

Dismissed for lunch at 12:03 pm.

Resumed afternoon session at 2:07 pm.

- Tyler Turner – Ordination Examination. Questions by the examination committee (Mark Balthrop, chair, Steve Jeffery, Michael Kidd). Received questions from the floor. The committee was dismissed to deliberate and make a recommendation. Visitors dismissed. Executive session discussion: the examination committee's recommendation is to sustain his examination without reservation. Approved unanimously. PMoP Hadding administered the declarations of his examination and reception into the CREC.
- Particularization of Church of the Triumphant King, Weatherford, TX – Mission Church of Covenant Reformed Church, Sulphur, LA. Received a report and recommendation from Rob Hadding to receive them into membership. Motion by James Nabours and Will Martin to receive them into the CREC. Approved unanimously.
- Particularization of King's Covenant Reformed Church, Georgetown, TX – Mission Church of King's Cross Reformed Church, Austin, TX. Received a report and recommendation from Garrett Craw to receive them into membership. Motion by Garrett Craw seconded by Caleb Ripple to receive them into the CREC. Approved unanimously.
- Particularization of First Church Artesia, Artesia, NM – Candidate Church, sponsored by King's Cross Reformed Church, Austin, TX. Received a report and recommendation from Garrett Craw to receive them into membership. Motion by Garrett Craw and Phil Walters to receive them into the CREC. Approved unanimously.
- PMoP Rob Hadding administered the membership vows to the newly particularized churches and received them into membership.

- Motion on Memorials from Trinity Covenant Church, Wichita, KS (Document attached) – postponed.
- Council Business: discussion about committee of governing documents; statements on behalf of CREC; Knox sacramental statement; new Westminster confession and catechism; prenuptial agreement.

Dismissed at 4:42 pm.

Resumed meeting on Wednesday at 1:35 pm

- Statement from Gene Franklin presented by Jeff Niell
- Presentation of Christ Church in Nairobi by Kip Chelashaw. Discussion about the requirements to be considered for a mission church.
- Update from PMoP Hadding on council business.
- Establish Date and Location of Spring 2027 Presbytery Meeting: West Monroe, LA: Spring in late April; Austin, TX: Fall. Motion by Aaron Booth, seconded by Brad Billheimer. Approved.
- Closed by singing *O God of Earth and Altar* and prayer by Dane Jóhannsson

Motion to dismiss by James Nabours seconded by Matt Caughey. Approved.

Submitted by
Jonathan Landrum
Clerk