

THE PRESBYTERY OF MISSOURI RIVER VALLEY

APRIL STATED MEETING

Florence Presbyterian Church

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Saturday, April 24, 2010 – 11:00 a.m.

In consideration of our worshipful work together, and of the responsibility of our faithful discernment of God's working in our midst, please be sure to silence all electronic devices.

11:00 **Gathering** (in the sanctuary, upstairs)

Presbytery convened with prayer - the Rev. Nancy Ross-Hullinger, Moderator

+Opening Hymn # 487 *When Morning Gilds the Skies*

+Call to Worship

Leader: We call on you, O God, as we gather today.

All: God's spirit is with us

Leader: Let the light of God's countenance shine on us

All: God's light shows us the way

Leader: May God's peace protect us all our days

All: God's peace assures us

Leader: Let us worship our holy God.

Announcement of Quorum, Adoption of the Docket

Introduction of New Business and announcements

Note: General announcements and items requiring Presbytery action which are new to the Presbytery must be introduced at this time for consideration under New Business.

Welcome by the Moderator

Welcome from the Host Church

Seating of Corresponding Members

Welcome of New Ministers

Welcome of First-time Elders

Words of Greeting from the Synod Executive, the Rev. Phil Brown

Prayer of Confession

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In humility and faith, let us confess our sins to God.

God of redeeming grace, have mercy upon us as we confess our sin. Charged to travel light, we overburden ourselves. Commissioned to preach repentance, we ourselves do not change. Cautioned to avoid violence, we confront others. Called to be reconcilers, we create divisions. As Christ sends us forth and equips us to serve him, cleanse us of abusing his trust and his name.

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Leader: Now, who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is right? Have no fear of them, nor be troubled.

All: For Christ died for sins once and for all, that he might bring us to God.

Passing the Peace of Christ

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

The Word Proclaimed

Scripture Reading

Sermon

Rev. Mike Harvey

+Hymn # 507 *I Come with Joy*

The Lord's Supper

12:15 **Feasting Together in the Lord's Name** (Fellowship Hall, downstairs)

Lunch

1:15 **Responses to the Word** (sanctuary)

Prayers of the People

Offering of our Gifts

+Doxology

Reports

Stated Clerk - the Rev. Steve Plank

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Executive Presbyter - the Rev. Kevin Keaton

Council - Elder Andy Cook

Committee on Ministry - the Rev. Sally Carlson

Committee on Preparation for Ministry - the Rev. Gary Eller

Nominating Committee - Elder Carole Warnes

Mission Committee:

Mission update - the Rev. Jody Filipi

Sudanese Fellowship report - Elder Jackie McLellan

Nicaragua trip - the Rev. Lyle Franzen or Elder Joyce Faltis-Serenil

Stewardship of Resources Committee - the Rev. Mark Miller

Policy and Polity Committee - Elder Mike O'Bradovich
Spirituality, Theology, and Worship Committee - the Rev. Caryn Pedersen
Lowe Avenue Commission - the Rev. Charles Bulger, Moderator

New Business and announcements

3:00 **Sending**

+Hymn # 341 *Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine*

Closing Prayer

Adjournment

Charge and blessing

Leader: Let us go out into the world to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ in our every word and deed, knowing that we have been clothed from on high. And all God's people said:

All: Alleluia! Amen!

+ *Please stand as you are able*