

**JOHN CALVIN PRESBYTERY  
REPORT OF STATED CLERK**

**FOR ACTION:** (Items with an \* are included in the consent agenda.)

1. \* To dispense with the reading of the minutes of the August 4th, 2023 stated meeting of Presbytery and that those minutes be approved.

**FOR INFORMATION:**

1. The Session minute and roll book reviews, along with clerk of session training, occurred during September and October across the presbytery. Meetings were held at First Presbyterian Church in Fort Scott, KS, Bethany Presbyterian Church in Joplin, MO, Community Presbyterian Church in Forsyth, MO, Westminster Presbyterian Church in Springfield, MO, and First Presbyterian Church in West Plains, MO. Next year's review and training will be held in August and September.

Items that were discussed in the clerks' training included discussions about the new Paid Family Medical Leave requirement for all terms of call in 2024 and moving forward due to an amendment to the Book of Order (G-2.0804), the updated Steps for the Sale of Property in John Calvin Presbytery, and a continue effort to make sure that all our churches have a sexual misconduct policy in place. A sample policy was handed out for churches as a framework.

The results of the 2022-2023 reviews follow:

**SESSION BOOKS APPROVED or APPROVED WITH EXCEPTIONS:**

Carlyle, Kansas – Carlyle Presbyterian  
Crane, Missouri – Crane Presbyterian  
Fort Scott, Kansas - First Presbyterian  
Joplin, Missouri - Bethany Presbyterian  
Mulberry, Kansas – United Presbyterian  
Rolla, Missouri – First Presbyterian  
Springfield, Missouri – Gibson Chapel  
Springfield, Missouri – Trinity PC(USA)  
Springfield, Missouri – Woodland Heights

Chanute, Kansas - First Presbyterian  
Forsyth, Missouri – Community Presbyterian  
Golden City, Missouri – First Presbyterian  
Mt. Vernon, Missouri – Ozark Prairie Pres.  
Ozark, Missouri – Ozark Presbyterian  
Shell Knob, Missouri – Trinity Presbyterian  
Springfield, Missouri – Southminster Pres.  
Springfield, Missouri – Westminster Pres.  
Stockton, Missouri – Stockton Presbyterian

**ROLLS AND REGISTERS APPROVED OR APPROVED WITH EXCEPTIONS:**

Carlyle, Kansas – Carlyle Presbyterian  
Crane, Missouri – Crane Presbyterian  
Golden City, Missouri – First Presbyterian  
Mt. Vernon, Missouri – Ozark Prairie Pres.

Chanute, Kansas - First Presbyterian  
Fort Scott, Kansas - First Presbyterian  
Joplin, Missouri - Bethany Presbyterian  
Mulberry, Kansas – United Presbyterian

John Calvin Presbytery  
November 4th, 2023

Two Hundred and Twelfth Stated Meeting  
First Presbyterian Church  
Joplin, Missouri

Ozark, Missouri – Ozark Presbyterian  
Shell Knob, Missouri – Trinity Presbyterian  
Springfield, Missouri – Southminster Pres.  
Springfield, Missouri – Westminster Pres.  
Stockton, Missouri – Stockton Presbyterian

Rolla, Missouri – First Presbyterian  
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**2. All pastors and Commissioned Ruling Elders serving a congregation in John Calvin Presbytery must complete boundaries training each year** (usually before the end of September) **or the minutes will show non-compliance.** The training involves reading the sexual misconduct policy and participating in a two-hour group meeting to discuss case studies involving boundary issues (finances, social media, confidentiality, youth and child safety, sale of property etc.). This year we had five people who did not complete boundaries training: John Becker, Clancy Cherry, Stella Choi, Julie Mercer, and Micki Pulleyking.

3. Each year the Stated Clerk is to report a list of those members who have served in the past on the Permanent Judicial Commission and when their term expired, in case they would be needed again. That list is as follows:

Class of 2023	The Rev. Frank LeBlanc WMTE, Community Pres, Forsyth, MO
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Class of 2023	Elder Randee Stemmons WFRE, First Pres, Mt. Vernon, MO
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4. At its Assembly meeting on October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the Synod of Mid-America received the report of the review of the minutes of presbyteries. The minutes of John Calvin Presbytery for 2022 were approved without exception.

5. The 2022 Statistical Report for John Calvin Presbytery is provided below.

6. Reminder: our newsletter provider sometimes sends newsletters to the “junk/spam” folder. If you open the newsletter each time, this might be prevented.

7. Please be aware that 2024 Session Report, 2024 Minister Information Form, and the PCUSA’s Statistical Report will be coming to your clerk of session soon. It is very important to get those forms returned by the deadlines stated on the documents.

2022 Presbytery Statistical Report

**Presbytery** John Calvin  
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<b>Membership</b>			
Prior Active Members	2417	Adjusted membership	2428
<b>Gains</b>		<b>Losses</b>	
Certificate	23	Certificate	28
Youth Professions	11	Deaths	55
Professions & Reaffirmations	29	Deleted for any Other Reason	107
<b>Total Gains</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>Total Losses</b>	<b>190</b>
<b>Total Ending Active Members</b>	<b>2301</b>		
<b>Baptisms</b>		Average Weekly Worship Attendance <b>1046</b>	
Presented by Others	6	Friends of the Congregation	367
At Confirmation	1	Ruling Elders on Session	226
All Other	1	Do you have Deacons? Yes / No	14 / 21
<b>Age Distribution of Active Members</b>		<b>People with Disabilities</b>	
17 & Under	64	Hearing impairment	151
18 - 25	99	Sight impairment	46
26 - 40	173	Mobility impairment	146
41 - 55	261	Other impairment	137
56 - 70	534	<b>Gender Distribution</b>	
Over 70	676	Women	1067
<b>Total Age Distribution</b>	<b>1807</b>	Men	659
		Non-Binary	1
<b>Youth in Congregation</b>			
Age 4 and under	39	Middle School (6th – 8th grade)	31
Elementary School (K-5th grade)	65	High School (9th – 12th grade)	50
		<b>Total Youth</b>	<b>185</b>
<b>Racial Ethnic</b>			
Asian/Pacific Islander/South Asian	15	Native American/Alaska Native/Indigenous	4
Black/African American/African	32	White	1751
Middle Eastern/North African	1	Multiracial	5
Hispanic/Latino-a	5	<b>Total Racial Ethnic</b>	<b>1813</b>
<b>Budgeted Income</b>			
	<b>3,305,906</b>		
<b>Budgeted Expense</b>			
	<b>3,560,718</b>		
<b>Receipts</b>			
Regular Contributions	2,494,522	Bequests	2,507,165
Capital Building Fund	210,876	Other Income	140,275
Investment Income	434,746	Subsidy or Aid	50,818
<b>Expenditures</b>			
Local Program	2,697,433	Investment Expenditures	2,365,018
Local Mission	233,390	Per Capital Apprt	72,674
Capital Expenditures	539,779	Other Mission	172,816