



**Be the Church
God Speaks to Us Still**
The 176th Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of East Iowa
First Presbyterian Church, Wapello, IA
127 North Main Street/319-523-6991
25 April 2017
1:00-5:00 pm

Presbytery Gathering Vision Statement

The Church is the body of Christ. As members of the body of Christ, each possessing a variety of gifts, we are called to live in right relationship with each other, to the glory of God. That is, we make a reciprocal promise, entering into deep, enduring relationship with every other member—a covenant relationship. And in this same way, God relates to us and we relate to God within covenant relationship. It is through covenant relationships with each other that we learn to respect and serve one another, to listen to and support one another, and to build up the body of Christ so that we may be able to “glorify and enjoy God now and forever” in full participation in God’s mission in the world.

At Presbytery Gatherings, we aim to strengthen our covenant relationships by

- Prioritizing excellent worship and prayer together
- Equipping churches and believers with practical tools for ministry
- Providing opportunities for relationship building and fellowship
- Inviting the open sharing of information and ideas
- Using transparent systems to conduct business in an orderly way

Registration will be in the fellowship area through the North doors; refreshments will be in the Community Outreach Building.

11:30-12:45 PM **Registration and Relationship Building**
Refreshments and Resource Tables

176th STATED MEETING DOCKET Meeting Items		
1:00 pm	WORSHIP (Sanctuary) The Community Gathers for Worship "Wrong Questions" (Sermon text from John 9)	Reverend Sue Krummel, preaching
1:50 pm	The Presbytery Convenes (Sanctuary) Constituting Prayer Declaration of Quorum Approval of Docket/Establishing Rolls Seating of Corresponding Members	Moderator RE Jim Claypool Stated Clerk Dr. Rebecca Blair
	Welcome (Sanctuary) Introduction of first-time presbyters Welcome from host pastor Purpose of Meeting/Covenant Community	Moderator Claypool
2:00 pm- 3:00 pm	EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION Our Community/God's Future (Sanctuary)	Reverend Sue Krummel
3:00 pm	SNACK (Fellowship Hall) The meeting will continue	
	REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PresbyQuiz Approval of 175th Stated Meeting Minutes Informational Items 	

	TRUSTEES REPORT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action Item Concerning Olivet Church Repairs • Information Items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pasrur Commission Appointments ○ Sinclair Fund Disbursement ○ Transition to Presbytery Virtual Operation ○ Food Justice Initiative Awards 	Vice-Moderator RE Karen Minnis
	REPORT OF TREASURER <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Actual vs Current Budget Comparison • Current Balance Sheet • Per Capita and Mission by Church 	Treasurer RE Karen Bartel
	REPORT OF CAMP WYOMING <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current Camp Report • Financial Statement 	Executive Director Kevin Cullum
	REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enrollment of New Inquirers: Art Blegens and Annabell Williams-Blegens (Davenport, Newcomb) • Update on Current Inquirers and Candidates 	Committee Moderator TE Melody Oltmann
	PEACEMAKING TASK FORCE REPORT	Co-Moderator TE Lisa Ross Thedens
	COMMISSION ON MINISTRY REPORT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information Items 	Committee Moderator RE Larry Petrick
	NETWORKING ANNOUNCEMENTS	Networking Associate Sarah Hegar
4:45 pm	NEW BUSINESS	
	ADJOURNMENT	



REMINDER: Commissioners are so named because they have a commission, a special responsibility to prepare for the meeting by carefully reading and thinking through the meeting materials in advance in order to make educated decisions, and then sharing the information presented at Presbytery meetings with their sessions as a part of the Presbyterian connectional system. Please take this commission seriously and share information so that your session will be “in the know.”

To steward resources wisely, all documents in the meeting packet will be available electronically on the Presbytery website. Copies of the meeting packet will be available in hard copy form only upon request.

New business must be delivered to the Stated Clerk no later than 2:00 p.m. New motions and amendments must be pre-filed in writing with the Stated Clerk at this time.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE ONLINE REGISTRATION

FORM FOR THIS MEETING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

- **Your timely registration helps us to get an accurate meal count. Meals cost \$10.00 each.**
- **Childcare will be provided. Please indicate the need for childcare on the registration form.**
- **If you or children have special dietary needs (vegetarian, gluten-free, allergies), please indicate these on the registration form in the space provided.**

DIRECTIONS TO WAPELLO, FIRST

From the North:

Get to US Highway 61 S. This can be done via US 218S to State Rd-92 from Iowa City, and I 280 to US 61 from Davenport and North. 9 Miles south of the junction of State Rd. 92 and US 61, you hit Wapello. Look for the signs to County road 99. It will be past the fairgrounds, and sign for downtown, and across from the grain elevator. County Road 99 is also called “Franklin Rd.” Turn left. Follow this through the stop sign just past the high school. Go one block further and turn left on Main St. Go one block and it is on your left. The red doors lead directly to the Sanctuary. Parking is on Jackson St., around the North, South, and West sides of the church, and in the block beyond on Main St. There is also overflow parking in the school parking lot, which is ½ block West of the church. Handicap parking is available, and both the South and the North doors are handicap accessible.

From the South:

Get to US. Highway 61 N (through US 34 to Burlington is probably easiest), or 218N to Iowa 78. Turn north on US 61. It is 25 miles from West Burlington, and 7 miles from the intersection of State Rd. 78 and US 61. Look for the signs to County Rd 99. It will be past the Wapello Care Center and then the PAWA Trailer Court, and across from the grain elevator. County road 99 is also called "Franklin Rd." Turn right. Follow this through the stop sign just past the high school. Go one block further and turn left on Main St. Go one block and it is on your left. The red doors lead directly to the Sanctuary. Parking is on Jackson St., around the North, South, and West sides of the church, and in the block beyond on Main St. There is also overflow parking in the school parking lot, which is ½ block West of the church. Handicap parking is available, and both the South and the North doors are handicap accessible.

Note: There are other back road ways for getting from 218 to 61, and as far as we know they are all paved. So feel free to let your Garmin be your guide! 😊

ACTION ITEMS

- The Stated Clerk advises that a motion would be in order that the Presbytery approve the minutes of the 175th Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of East Iowa, convened on 11 February 2017 at First Presbyterian Church in Iowa City, IA. The minutes of this meeting are posted on the Presbytery website: www.peia.org.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Required Statistics Transmitted to General Assembly

The Stated Clerk reports that, in keeping with G-3.0302e in the *Book of Order*, all required statistics have been transmitted to the General Assembly.

ACTION ITEMS

MOTION: That the Presbytery approve the request from the session of Olivet Presbyterian Church to make repairs to the south wall of the masonry bell tower to preclude its potential collapse. This request is made in accord with Presbytery policy since the cost of repair will exceed 10% of the annual church budget.

Background Information: The south wall of the masonry bell tower on top of the church is bulging outward. Further inspection has revealed considerable deterioration of this entire structure., creating a potentially hazardous situation and the possibility of imminent collapse. Such a collapse could endanger persons on the ground and also cause the masonry structure to fall through the roof of the main church building and into the balcony area housing the organ pipes.

The church has received one bid from Janssen Waterproofing, Inc., a highly-qualified contractor specializing in this type of repair, in the amount of \$28,904. The church is currently seeking additional bids. We will not accept bids for more than \$28,904. The necessary repairs include

- high pressure cleaning of the existing exterior masonry elevations to remove dirt, fungus, carbon and other foreign material so that proper penetration of the transparent waterproofing material can occur
 - Replacement of approximately 20 bricks with matching units in a full bed of mortar and concave struck smooth
- Finish of all exterior mortar joints including completely routing, cleaning and tuckpointing
- Renovation of all stone to stone coping wash joints to water tight status with dynamic sealant
- Repair of existing stone belt wash joints as needed
- Demolition and relaying of south parapet to stabilize structure and retain cosmetic appearance
- Re-installation of all roof parapet flashing membrane with termination bar to reseal existing roof
- Provision of barricading and protection canopy
- Complete debris clean-up
- Provision of 5-year warranty on workmanship and materials

The session has already authorized the expenditure of \$500 for the installation of temporary bracing to forestall collapse. The church has the capability to pay for this repair work from the General Fund with additional funds from a trust earmarked for building repair and maintenance. No loans or debt will result, and Olivet will not suffer financial damage from this expenditure.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- At the 175th stated meeting, the body approved a motion to appoint a commission to provide leadership for a Presbytery-wide fund-raising initiative in support of the Pasrur Boys' School. Per this action, the Vice-Moderator, at the request of Moderator Jim Claypool, has appointed the following persons to this commission.
 - Jane Cranston, Iowa City First, Moderator;
 - Ellen Fisher, Cedar Rapids First, Clerk;
 - Paul Heidger, Iowa City St. Andrew;
 - Amy Nicholson, Iowa City St. Andrew;
 - Rev. Lisa Ross Thedens, Rowley First;
 - Rev. Emory Gillespie, Monticello First;
 - Rev. Trey Hegar, Mt. Pleasant First.
- Dispersal of accumulated Sinclair Fund money (\$22,021.00) to Olivet Neighborhood Mission, check hand-delivered to Director of the Mission on March 7, 2017.
- Discussion/Feedback item: Transition to virtual operation of Presbytery and possible relocation of Presbytery files and workspace to a member church as a proactive measure to steward Presbytery funds more faithfully.

The Presbytery owns the current office space as a condo, but still pays a monthly maintenance fee of nearly \$1200 for which we receive little benefit. The current space is used to house important Presbytery records which the Stated Clerk and Treasurer use as they work on site. Other staff work off-site to accomplish their responsibilities. The current space also serves as a location for monthly committee meetings with very low traffic during the week, and the large space remains unused for much of the time each month, except for storage of Presbytery records.

The Trustees believe that we can steward our funds more faithfully by holding committee meetings in member churches since our churches constitute the Presbytery. The Presbytery could be better served using a smaller space, preferably housed in one of our churches, to store Presbytery records and provide desk space for the Stated Clerk and Treasurer to accomplish tasks requiring use of these records. There is current interest from outside parties in purchasing the current office space which has a market value in the \$170,000-\$175,000 range. Receipts from the sale of the current space could be used to amplify our mission funds for further initiatives.

- The Food Justice Initiative—explanation of the journey and award of funds to the following applicants:

Church Name	City	Program	Grant
Ainsworth Community Church	Ainsworth	ACC Mission Committee Food Pantry	1,000
Bettendorf Presbyterian Ch	Bettendorf	CUQC Food Pantry at Bettendorf Partnership	1,000
Bonaparte United Church	Bonaparte	Snacks in a Sack (backpack program)	1,000
First Presbyterian Church	Burlington	Sandwich Ministry/Backpacks/Food Baskets	1,000
Community Presbyterian Ch	Cascade	Request for the StStephens Food Bank in Dubuque	1,000
First Presbyterian Church	Cedar Rapids	Sunday Evening Meals program (SEMP)	1,000
Olivet Presbyterian Church	Cedar Rapids	Olivet Mission Food Pantry	1,000
Westminster Presbyterian Ch	Cedar Rapids	Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry	1,000
United Presbyterian Church	Columbus Junction	Food with Friends	1,000
St. Andrew Presbyterian Ch	Coralville	Lettuce Feed Others (community gardens)	1,000
First Presbyterian Church	Davenport	Boys&Girls Club/Vacation Bible Camp Lunches	1,000
New Hope Presbyterian Ch	Davenport	Churches United QC Meal Site	1,000
First Presbyterian Church	Ely	VA Community Resource and Referral Center	1,000
First Presbyterian Church	Fairfield	Take Away Hunger	1,000
Sharon Presbyterian Church	Farmington	Backpack Mission	1,000
Union Presbyterian Church	Ft. Madison	Backpacks and a monthly Community Meal	1,000
First Presbyterian Church	Iowa City	Crisis Center Food Bank	1,000
First Presbyterian Church	Iowa City	Operation Back Pack	
United Church of Faith	Keota	UC of Faith Food Pantry	1,000
First Presbyterian Church	LeClaire	Community Food Baskets	
First Presbyterian Church	LeClaire	Salvation Army Site Meals	
First Presbyterian Church	LeClaire	LeClaire Partners for Backpacks	1,000
First Presbyterian Church	LeClaire	Halftime/RTime Youth Programs (bi-weekly)	
Our Savior Presbyterian Ch	LeClaire	Salvation Army Meal Site & Food Baskets	1,000
United Presbyterian Church	Lone Tree	Lone Tree Community Pantry (church supports)	1,000
First Presbyterian Church	Marengo	Iowa County Food Bank - Marengo Site	1,000
Echo Hill Presbyterian	Marion	Submitted 5 activities	1,000
First Presbyterian Church	Miles	Food Partner efforts in Jackson & Clinton Counties	1,000
First Presbyterian Church	Monticello	Monticello Food Pantry (supported by congregation)	1,000
First United Presbyterian Ch	Morning Sun	Morning Sun Community Food Bank	1,000
First Presbyterian Church	Mt. Pleasant	Community Meal	1,000
First Presbyterian Church	Muscatine	Emmaus Café	1,000
Princeton Presbyterian Church	Princeton	Princeton Presbyterian Food Pantry	1,000
First Presbyterian Church	Rowley	Independence Food Pantry	1,000
Scotch Grove Presbyterian Ch	Scotch Grove	Monticello Food Pantry (Scotch Grove Project)	1,000
Vinton Presbyterian Church	Vinton	Senior Grocery Program	1,000
First Presbyterian Church	Wapello	SE Louisa County Food Pantry	1,000
United Presbyterian Church	Washington	HACAP Food pantry	1,000
First Church United	West Liberty	Community Gardens & Food Pantry	1,000
First Presbyterian Church	Williamsburg	Iowa county Food Bank & Back Pack Program	1,000
First Presbyterian Church	Winfield	Winfield/Mt Union Backpack Program	1,000
			37,000

TREASURER

Presbytery of East Iowa January – March 2017 Actual vs Budget Comparison

	Jan - Mar 17	Budget	% of Budget
Income			
4000 - Unified Missions			
4001 - East Iowa Missions	26,632.06	45,500.00	58.53%
4002 - PEIA Prev Year Missions	4,220.72		
4003 - PEIA Peacemaking Offering	789.65		
Total 4000 - Unified Missions	31,642.43	45,500.00	69.54%
4010 - Endowment Incomes			
4011 - Grubbs Endowment	12.30	12.00	102.5%
4012 - Laurence Nelson Scholarship Fu	0.00	0.00	0.0%
4013 - Mt Zion Endowment	69.34	69.00	100.49%
4014 - Sinclair Endowment	1,850.08	616.00	300.34%
4015 - McCann Scholarship	358.00		
Total 4010 - Endowment Incomes	2,289.72	697.00	328.51%
4040 - Per Capita/PEIA			
4041 - East Iowa Per Capita	61,942.70	63,950.00	96.86%
Total 4040 - Per Capita/PEIA	61,942.70	63,950.00	96.86%
4050 - Operating Interest - Savings	437.91		
4100 - Synod Support			
4101 - CPS Support	4,881.69	3,000.00	162.72%
Total 4100 - Synod Support	4,881.69	3,000.00	162.72%
4640 - Other Types of Income			
4641 - Mt Moriah Principle	664.02	666.00	99.7%
4642 - Mt Moriah Interest	1,997.94	1,995.00	100.15%
4643 - Miscellaneous Revenue	0.00		
4645 - Refunds	20.62		
Total 4640 - Other Types of Income	2,682.58	2,661.00	100.81%
Total Income	103,877.03	115,808.00	89.7%

Expense**6000 - Commission on Ministry (COM)**

6010 - Admin Expense	750.00	350.00	214.29%
6020 - Meals	0.00	400.00	0.0%
6030 - CRE Retreats	0.00	2,000.00	0.0%
6040 - New Pastor Development	263.75	1,000.00	26.38%
6050 - Pastor Assessmnt & Consultation	263.97	2,000.00	13.2%
6060 - COM Background Checks	-36.50	100.00	-36.5%

Total 6000 - Commission on Ministry (COM)

	1,241.22	5,850.00	21.22%
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6100 - Commission/TaskFrc Expenses

6105 - Comm on Prep for Ministry	0.00	2,000.00	0.0%
6110 - Personnel	68.30	100.00	68.3%
6115 - Nominating	0.00	150.00	0.0%
6120 - Comm on Representation	0.00	100.00	0.0%
6125 - Trustees	0.00	100.00	0.0%
6130 - Mileage for Comm/Task Forces	1,032.30	1,250.00	82.58%
6205 - Vision & Renewal Task Force	0.00	300.00	0.0%
6210 - Presbytery Mtg Task Force	0.00	100.00	0.0%
6215 - Healing & Recon Task Force	0.00	100.00	0.0%
6220 - Administrative Commissions	15.37	500.00	3.07%
6225 - PEIA Coord Commission (PCC)	0.00	100.00	0.0%
6230 - Permanent Judicial Commission	0.00	500.00	0.0%
6305 - Networking Events	888.62	2,500.00	35.55%
6310 - Leadership Events	173.83	2,500.00	6.95%
6315 - Presbytery Meeting Expenses	1,947.07	600.00	324.51%

Total 6100 - Commission/TaskFrc Expenses

	4,125.49	10,900.00	37.85%
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6500 - Operations

6501 - New Equipment	0.00	500.00	0.0%
6502 - Copier & Printing	1,113.94	1,125.00	99.02%
6503 - Communications Contract	795.00	1,500.00	53.0%
6504 - Internet Access Contract	329.85	330.00	99.96%
6505 - IT Services & Software	4,494.70	2,100.00	214.03%
6506 - Telephone, Telecommunications	431.22	1,748.00	24.67%
6510 - Condo Association Dues	3,610.02	3,609.00	100.03%
6511 - Utilities	519.75	700.00	74.25%
6512 - Building Insurance	452.00	5,500.00	8.22%
6513 - Custodial Contract	1,081.12	750.00	144.15%
6514 - Office Maintenance Exp	0.00	300.00	0.0%
6520 - Supplies	323.11	500.00	64.62%
6521 - Postage, Mailing Service	367.93	500.00	73.59%

6522 · Bank Fees & Charges	0.00	100.00	0.0%
6523 · Legal & Professional	208.00	2,000.00	10.4%
6524 · Audits & Financial Reviews	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
6525 · Kitchen/Hospitality	0.00	600.00	0.0%
6530 · Publications	78.95	200.00	39.48%
6531 · Awards/Recognitions/Remembrance	0.00	600.00	0.0%
Total 6500 · Operations	13,805.59	23,662.00	58.35%
6600 · Officer & Other Travel			
6603 · Moderator & Vice Moderator Exp	40.00	500.00	8.0%
6604 · Treasurer	406.60	300.00	135.53%
Total 6600 · Officer & Other Travel	446.60	800.00	55.83%
6700 · Payroll Expense			
6701 · Stated Clerk Payroll Expenses			
6705 · Salary - Stated Clerk	15,472.81	13,387.00	115.58%
6710 · Benefits - Stated Clerk	2,730.45	4,685.00	58.28%
6715 · FICA Stated Clerk	1,392.55	1,382.00	100.76%
6720 · Continuing Education St Clrk	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
6725 · Travel Exp - Stated Clerk	543.70	750.00	72.49%
6730 · Professional Exp - Stated Clerk	167.35	500.00	33.47%
Total 6701 · Stated Clerk Payroll Expenses	20,306.86	21,704.00	93.56%
6702 · Payroll Expenses COM Associate			
6706 · Salary - COM Associate	15,472.81	13,386.00	115.59%
6711 · Benefits - COM Associate	2,730.45	4,685.00	58.28%
6716 · FICA - COM Associate	1,392.55	1,382.00	100.76%
6721 · Continuing Ed - COM Assoc	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
6726 · Travel - COM Associate	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
6731 · COM Associate - Other Expenses	0.00	717.00	0.0%
Total 6702 · Payroll Expenses COM Associate	19,595.81	22,170.00	88.39%
6703 · Payroll Exp - Pastor to Pastor			
6707 · Salary - Pastor to Pastor Assoc	2,694.32	2,545.00	105.87%
6717 · FICA - Pastor to Pastor	0.00	175.00	0.0%
6723 · Continuing Ed -Pastor to Pastor	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
6727 · Travel Exp - Pastor to Pastor	462.83	630.00	73.47%
Total 6703 · Payroll Exp - Pastor to Pastor	3,157.15	4,350.00	72.58%
6704 · Payroll Exp - Networking Assoc			
6708 · Salary Exp-Networking Associate	9,546.84	9,671.00	98.72%
6713 · Benefits - Networking Assoc	4,102.60	3,481.00	117.86%
6718 · FICA - Networking Associate	730.33	984.00	74.22%
6724 · Cont Ed - Networking Assoc	238.00	1,000.00	23.8%

6728 - Travel Expenses - Networking	0.00	2,000.00	0.0%
Total 6704 - Payroll Exp - Networking Assoc	14,617.77	17,136.00	85.3%
6760 - Payroll Exp - Financial Manager			
6765 - Wages - Financial Manager	2,518.02	2,662.00	94.59%
6767 - FICA - Financial Manager	192.63	192.00	100.33%
Total 6760 - Payroll Exp - Financial Manager	2,710.65	2,854.00	94.98%
Total 6700 - Payroll Expense	60,388.24	68,214.00	88.53%
6800 - Mission Partnerships			
6801 - Camp Wyoming	35,000.00	35,000.00	100.0%
6802 - Coe College Chaplaincy	2,500.00	2,500.00	100.0%
6803 - Mission Starfish Haiti	2,500.00	2,500.00	100.0%
6804 - Presbytery Mission Outreach	0.00	10,000.00	0.0%
Total 6800 - Mission Partnerships	40,000.00	50,000.00	80.0%
Total Expense	120,007.14	159,426.00	75.28%
Net Income	-16,130.11	-43,618.00	36.98%
Disbursement from Prioir Year funds	20,171.27	20171.27	
Actual Current Year Net Income	20,171.27	-23,446.73	

Presbytery of East Iowa

March 2017

Balance Sheet

	Mar 31, 17
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1005 - Checking - U of I Credit Union	130,603.73
1010 - Savings - U of I Credit Union	602,349.28
Total Checking/Savings	<u>732,953.01</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>732,953.01</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>732,953.01</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
4650 - PEIA Designated Missions	1,530.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>1,530.00</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>1,530.00</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>1,530.00</u>
Equity	
30000 - Opening Balance Equity	
30001 - Prior Year Balances	248,930.62
30002 - Church Closing Reserves	179,745.59
30003 - Restricted Balances	<u>224,562.62</u>

Total 30000 - Opening Balance Equity	653,238.83
32000 - Unrestricted Net Assets	94,314.29
Net Income	-16,130.11
Total Equity	<u>731,423.01</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>732,953.01</u></u>

Income

4000 - Unified Missions

4001 - East Iowa Missions	26,632.06
4002 - PEIA Prev Year Missions	4,220.72
4003 - PEIA Peacemaking Offering	789.65

Total 4000 - Unified Missions	<u>31,642.43</u>
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Total 4010 - Endowment Incomes	<u>2,289.72</u>
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4040 - Per Capita/PEIA

4041 - East Iowa Per Capita	61,942.70
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Total 4040 - Per Capita/PEIA	<u>61,942.70</u>
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4050 - Operating Interest - Savings	437.91
4100 - Synod Support	
4101 - CPS Support	4,881.69
Total 4100 - Synod Support	<u>4,881.69</u>
4640 - Other Types of Income	
4641 - Mt Moriah Principle	664.02
4642 - Mt Moriah Interest	1,997.94
4643 - Miscellaneous Revenue	0.00
4645 - Refunds	20.62
Total 4640 - Other Types of Income	<u>2,682.58</u>
Total Income	<u><u>103,877.03</u></u>

Expense

6000 - Commission on Ministry (COM)	
6010 - Admin Expense	750.00
6040 - New Pastor Development	263.75
6050 - Pastor Assessmnt & Consultation	263.97
6060 - COM Background Checks	-36.50
Total 6000 - Commission on Ministry (COM)	<u>1,241.22</u>

6100 - Commission/TaskFrc Expenses	
6110 - Personnel	68.30
6130 - Mileage for Comm/Task Forces	1,032.30

6220 - Administrative Commissions	15.37
6305 - Networking Events	888.62
6310 - Leadership Events	173.83
6315 - Presbytery Meeting Expenses	1,947.07
Total 6100 - Commission/TaskFrc Expenses	<u>4,125.49</u>

6500 - Operations

6502 - Copier & Printing	1,113.94
6503 - Communications Contract	795.00
6504 - Internet Access Contract	329.85
6505 - IT Services & Software	4,494.70
6506 - Telephone, Telecommunications	431.22
6510 - Condo Association Dues	3,610.02
6511 - Utilities	519.75
6512 - Building Insurance	452.00
6513 - Custodial Contract	1,081.12
6520 - Supplies	323.11
6521 - Postage, Mailing Service	367.93
6523 - Legal & Professional	208.00
6530 - Publications	78.95
Total 6500 - Operations	<u>13,805.59</u>

6600 - Officer & Other Travel

6603 - Moderator & Vice Moderator Exp	40.00
6604 - Treasurer	406.60

Total 6600 - Officer & Other Travel	446.60
6700 - Payroll Expense	
6701 - Stated Clerk Payroll Expenses	
6705 - Salary - Stated Clerk	15,472.81
6710 - Benefits - Stated Clerk	2,730.45
6715 - FICA Stated Clerk	1,392.55
6725 - Travel Exp - Stated Clerk	543.70
6730 - Professional Exp - Stated Clerk	167.35
Total 6701 - Stated Clerk Payroll Expenses	<u>20,306.86</u>
6702 - Payroll Expenses COM Associate	
6706 - Salary - COM Associate	15,472.81
6711 - Benefits - COM Associate	2,730.45
6716 - FICA - COM Associate	1,392.55
Total 6702 - Payroll Expenses COM Associate	<u>19,595.81</u>
6703 - Payroll Exp - Pastor to Pastor	
6707 - Salary - Pastor to Pastor Assoc	2,694.32
6727 - Travel Exp - Pastor to Pastor	462.83
Total 6703 - Payroll Exp - Pastor to Pastor	<u>3,157.15</u>
6704 - Payroll Exp - Networking Assoc	
6708 - Salary Exp-Networking Associate	9,546.84
6713 - Benefits - Networking Assoc	4,102.60
6718 - FICA - Networking Associate	730.33
6724 - Cont Ed - Networking Assoc	238.00
Total 6704 - Payroll Exp - Networking Assoc	<u>14,617.77</u>

6760 - Payroll Exp - Financial Manager	
6765 - Wages - Financial Manager	2,518.02
6767 - FICA - Financial Manager	192.63
Total 6760 - Payroll Exp - Financial Manager	<u>2,710.65</u>
Total 6700 - Payroll Expense	<u>60,388.24</u>
6800 - Mission Partnerships	
6801 - Camp Wyoming	35,000.00
6802 - Coe College Chaplaincy	2,500.00
6803 - Mission Starfish Haiti	2,500.00
Total 6800 - Mission Partnerships	<u>40,000.00</u>
Total Expense	<u>120,007.14</u>
Net Income	<u>-16,130.11</u>
ACCT 4961 Sinclair Endowment prior year	20,171.27
ACCT 4961 Sinclair Endowment prior year \$1,850.08	
Amount Disbursed in current year \$22,021.35	
Actual Current Net Income	<u><u>4,041.16</u></u>

Church Name	City	PIN	2017 Per			Mission Pledge	Paid
			Capita	Paid	Due		
Ainsworth Community Church	Ainsworth	10415	3,456.00		3,456.00	550.00	
Argyle Presbyterian Church	Argyle	2549	2,736.00	2,736.00	0.00		
Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church	Atkins	2345	2,664.00		2,664.00		
Bettendorf Presbyterian Church	Bettendorf	2589	12,024.00		12,024.00	3,000.00	
First Presbyterian Church	Birmingham	2550	288.00		288.00		
First Presbyterian Church	Blairstown	2348	1,548.00	1,548.00	0.00		
Blue Grass Presbyterian Church	Blue Grass	10388	5,148.00		5,148.00		
Bonaparte United Church	Bonaparte	2551	900.00		900.00		
Brighton United Church	Brighton	2591	2,196.00		2,196.00		
First Presbyterian Church	Burlington	11889	6,948.00		6,948.00		
Community Presbyterian Church	Cascade	2479	684.00	171.00	513.00	700.00	235.00
Calvin Sinclair Presbyterian Church	Cedar Rapids	9582	1,224.00		1,224.00		
Christ Church Presbyterian	Cedar Rapids	2375	4,212.00	1,380.00	2,832.00	600.00	
Echo Hill Presbyterian Church	Cedar Rapids	12233	9,756.00	3,252.00	6,504.00	8,000.00	2,668.00
First Presbyterian Church	Cedar Rapids	2347	18,144.00		18,144.00		
Hus Memorial Presbyterian Church	Cedar Rapids	2350	3,276.00		3,276.00	450.00	
Olivet Presbyterian Church	Cedar Rapids	2352	2,376.00	2,668.00	-292.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Westminster Presbyterian Church	Cedar Rapids	2354	14,220.00	1,185.00	13,035.00	5,270.00	1,500.00
First United Presbyterian Church	Clinton	12129	4,716.00		4,716.00		
Zion Presbyterian Church	Coggon	2358	2,736.00	2,736.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Cotter Presbyterian Church	Columbus Junctn	2596	864.00	864.00	0.00	750.00	750.00
Salem Welsh Presbyterian Church	Columbus Junctn	2594	1,404.00	1,404.00	0.00		100.00
United Presbyterian Church	Columbus Junctn	2593	3,600.00		3,600.00		
St. Andrew Presbyterian Church	Coralville	2626	30,852.00	5,142.00	25,710.00		3,864.50
United Church of Crawfordsville	Crawfordsville	10414	2,052.00		2,052.00		
First Presbyterian Church	Davenport	2598	33,158.00	8,500.00	24,658.00	6,000.00	1,500.00
New Hope Presbyterian Church	Davenport	12240	2,916.00	776.00	2,140.00	600.00	150.00
Newcomb Presbyterian Church	Davenport	2600	6,876.00	1,719.00	5,157.00		
First Presbyterian Church	Ely	2357	7,560.00	1,260.00	6,300.00		200.00
First Presbyterian Church	Fairfield	2554	5,724.00		5,724.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Sharon Presbyterian Church	Farmington	2557	4,932.00		4,932.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Union Presbyterian Church	Ft. Madison	2558	3,456.00		3,456.00	250.00	500.00
First Presbyterian Church	Hazleton	2482	756.00	324.00	432.00	250.00	250.00
First Presbyterian Church	Independence	2484	8,424.00	1,638.00	6,786.00		
First Presbyterian Church	Iowa City	2805	17,964.00		17,964.00		
United Presbyterian Church	Keokuk	10668	2,556.00	639.00	1,917.00	0.00	
United Church of Faith	Keota	2607	3,132.00	335.00	2,797.00	2,000.00	
First Presbyterian Church	LeClaire	2609	2,232.00	758.00	1,474.00		

Church Name	City	PIN	2017 Per			Mission Pledge	Paid
			Capita	Paid	Due		
Our Savior Presbyterian Church	LeClaire	10135	4,284.00		4,284.00		
United Presbyterian Church	Lone Tree	10026	7,884.00	288.00	7,596.00	4,150.00	1,037.53
Union Presbyterian Church	Lost Nation	2360	4,104.00	1,231.20	2,872.80	450.00	
First Presbyterian Church	Manchester	2489	3,996.00		3,996.00		
First Presbyterian Church	Marengo	2611	5,256.00	3,387.20	1,868.80		
First Presbyterian Church	Marion	2381	15,948.00	8,787.00	7,161.00		3,167.00
First Presbyterian Church	Mechanicsville	2362	3,276.00	3,276.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
First United Presbyterian Church	Mediapolis	2562	2,736.00		2,736.00	0.00	
First Presbyterian Church	Miles	2363	3,276.00		3,276.00	1,500.00	500.00
First Presbyterian Church	Monticello	9641	7,380.00	782.00	6,598.00		4,000.00
Montrose Presbyterian Church	Montrose	2585	1,260.00	1,260.00	0.00		
First United Presbyterian Church	Morning Sun	2566	2,340.00	1,508.00	832.00		
First Presbyterian Church	Mt. Pleasant	2589	10,152.00	3,193.00	6,959.00	10,000.00	2,500.00
First Presbyterian Church	Mt. Vernon	2366	5,364.00		5,364.00		
Linn Grove Presbyterian Church	Mt. Vernon	2367	1,260.00		1,260.00	1,500.00	
First Presbyterian Church	Muscatine	2613	8,172.00	8,172.00	0.00	3,300.00	825.00
New London Presbyterian Church	New London	2571	2,952.00	738.00	2,214.00		535.00
Central Presbyterian Church	Newhall	2368	1,656.00		1,656.00		
First Presbyterian Church	Onslow	2369	1,404.00	1,404.00	0.00		
Princeton Presbyterian Church	Princeton	2616	2,160.00		2,160.00		
First Presbyterian Church	Rowley	2495	1,260.00	1,260.00	0.00	800.00	800.00
Scotch Grove Presbyterian Church	Scotch Grove	2371	864.00		864.00		
First Presbyterian Church	Shellsburg	2372	3,024.00	3,024.00	0.00	0.00	
Springville Presbyterian Church	Springville	2373	3,168.00		3,168.00		
Stanwood Union Church	Stanwood	10413	2,448.00	2,448.00	0.00	0.00	
Vinton Presbyterian Church	Vinton	10227	8,828.00	2,232.00	6,694.00		
First Presbyterian Church	Wapello	2579	4,032.00		4,032.00	1,000.00	
United Presbyterian Church	Washington	9756	13,932.00	2,322.00	11,610.00	7,500.00	1,250.00
First Church United	West Liberty	2622	2,700.00	2,700.00	0.00	1,400.00	
West Point Presbyterian Church	Denmark	2580	900.00		900.00		
First Presbyterian Church	Williamsburg	2623	9,540.00		9,540.00		1,250.00
First Presbyterian Church	Wilton	2624	6,336.00	140.00	6,196.00	0.00	
Sugar Creek Presbyterian Church	Wilton	2625	1,116.00		1,116.00		
First Presbyterian Church	Winfield	2581	5,076.00		5,076.00		
			395,890.00	87,197.40	308,692.60	87,520.00	35,182.03

**Presbytery of East Iowa
General Missions and Per Capita**

Members as of 12/31/2015		11,026		Dollars	
		396,936.00			
Per Capita	2017%	Billed	Collected YTD	Due	
GA	0.208332	82,894.47	18,166.01	64,528.46	
Synod	0.147224	58,438.51	12,837.55	45,600.96	
PEIA	0.644444	255,803.02	56,193.84	199,609.18	
Due	1.000000	396,936.00	87,197.40	308,738.60	
2017 Per Capita \$		Unbillable		Billed	
GA	7.50	82,895.00			
Synod	5.30	58,437.80			
PEIA	23.20	255,803.20			
		36.00	396,936.00		395,890.00
General Mission	2017%	Pledged	Collected	Over/Under	
GA	0.86	44,563.20	23,220.14		
Synod	0.07	4,726.40	2,462.74		
PEIA	0.27	18,230.40	9,499.15		
		67,520.00	35,182.03	32,337.97	

Camp Wyoming Report

1. Attached please find the Balance Sheet as of March 31, 2017.
2. We are on the same pace as we were last year in terms of our summer camp enrollment. Typically, families will make their summer plans during the month of April. We ask that churches encourage their children and youth to participate in a summer camp experience at Camp Wyoming. We would also suggest reaching out to families in the community as well. Camp Wyoming does offer scholarships for families in need.
3. Camp Wyoming would like to challenge the churches of the Presbytery to each run a noisy offering during the months of May through August to benefit the mission of the Camp Wyoming ministry.
4. The Camp Wyoming Board of Trustees would like to make the following change to the camp's bylaws:

MOTION: That the Bylaws of Camp Wyoming be changed to read as follows (proposed changed language in bold font): “The Presbytery of East Iowa shall elect a total of 12 members to the Camp Board, at least two of which shall be-ordained Ministers of Word and Sacrament **or Eligible Ruling Elders (ruling elders who have completed certification in the CRE program for commissioning as CREs).**”

Since there has been a decline in ordained ministers, the Camp Board felt it would be best to include EREs to help broaden the pool of potential Board members.

**Camp Wyoming
 Balance Sheet
 As of March 31, 2017**

ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	Mar 31, 17
1120 · Checking Regular	13,340.44
1130 · Savings Deer	16,190.50
1135 · Savings Regular	43,557.35
1136 · Savings - Summer Sale	100.35
Total Checking/Savings	73,188.64
Accounts Receivable	
1150 · Accounts Receivable	824.00
Total Accounts Receivable	824.00
Other Current Assets	
1110 · Petty Cash	500.00
1146 · Endowment Fund - Johns...	53,372.87
Total Other Current Assets	53,872.87
Total Current Assets	127,885.51
Fixed Assets	
1210 · Vehicles Fixed Asset	77,424.46
1220 · Furnishings Fixed Asset	3,165.00
1230 · Office Equipment Fixed Asset	9,005.64
1240 · Machinery & Equipment	85,632.13
1245 · Program Equipment	6,090.42
1250 · Buildings	638,922.50
1260 · Swimming Pool Fixed Asset	38,365.00
1270 · Land Value Fixed Asset	22,600.00
Total Fixed Assets	881,205.15
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>1009090.66</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
2110 · Accounts Payable	5,355.06
Total Accounts Payable	5,355.06
Other Current Liabilities	
2100 · Payroll Liabilities	3,431.22
2310 · Camper Deposit	76,700.20
2320 · Rental Deposit	5,125.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	85,256.42
Total Current Liabilities	90,611.48
Total Liabilities	90,611.48
Equity	
3110 · Opening Bal Equity	777,603.52
3510 · Retained Earnings	206,985.35
Net Income	66,109.69
Total Equity	<u>918,479.18</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>1009090.66</u>

COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY

ACTION ITEMS

MOTION: That, upon the recommendation of CPM and with the endorsement of the Davenport, Newcomb session, the Presbytery enroll Art Blegens and Annabell Williams-Blegens, members at Davenport, Newcomb, as Inquirers under the care of the Presbytery of East Iowa.

INFORMATION ITEMS

AN IMPORTANT REMINDER TO MODERATORS AND SESSIONS:

If a member of your congregation is seeking to enter the ordination process for ministry of Word and Sacrament, the very first step is to invite a member of the CPM to conduct a session orientation. This conversation will help ensure that the session asks the right questions before it makes a recommendation to the CPM to enroll the person as an Inquirer. It will also help the session to understand its responsibilities as one of the very important partners in the preparation process.

PERSONS CURRENTLY UNDER CARE			
NAME	HOME CHURCH	SEMINARY	CURRENT STATUS
Andrew Phillips	Williamsburg, First	Dubuque	Candidate (review 11/2016)
Steve Sankey	CR, Westminster	Columbia	Candidate—ordained to call
Tammy Schmidt	CR, Echo Hill	Louisville	Candidate—ordained to call
Amanda Edwards	IC, First	Columbia	Inquirer (review 10/2017)
Brendon McClean	Coe College		Inquirer (review 10/2017)

PEACEMAKING TASK FORCE

Peacemaking Task Force met March 29, 2017. Paul shared a powerful and timely critique of corruption from Isaiah. Myrna shared the program of Faith Friends, the women's interfaith dialogue in Iowa City. **Any church interested in learning more about Islam or interfaith relations** may contact Lisa or Myrna to have an interfaith team from this group visit. Current members of the group are Muslim and Christian.

Elizabeth and Robin reported on the new social justice team that has just begun meeting at Echo Hill Church. Robin reported on efforts to welcome immigrants and refugees in his Wellington Heights neighborhood in Cedar Rapids.

Newest member Anna Sheetz (minister of youth, adult, and servanthood at Iowa City First) shared with us the story of her husband's cousin Jerime Mitchell and his near complete paralysis as a result of a shot in the spine by police in a traffic stop. She is eager to attend Ecumenical Advocacy Days and the PCUSA Compassion, Peace, and Justice training preceding them, as their theme addresses racism, materialism, and militarism, on the fiftieth anniversary of Dr. King's death, themes he addressed the year he died. She will receive a registration scholarship from EAD for young adults. We voted to supply \$600 from Peacemaking funds for her lodging/expenses.

We hope to host an International Peacemaker in late September, early October. If your church has an interest in a particular date or in one of these countries- Malawi, Myanmar, Italy (corridor for refugees), or Mexico, please let Lisa know, and she will pass this on to the Peacemaking Program folk who will give this special weight in making their decision on whom we get and when.

Please consider attending **Synod School** to take some of its peace and justice themed workshops--they include "Moving the Conversation on White Privilege Forward. What's Next," the Belhar Confession, "Social Control Meets Vigilante Justice Meets Rampant Racism," "The U.S. and World Foreign Policy," "Healthy People, Vital Congregations," "Crisis in Syria," "Palestine: The Good, Bad, and Ugly," --led by folk with hands-on experience in the topics they cover.

We thank you for your generous gifts to the Peace and Global Witness Offering on World Communion Sunday.

We are always on the lookout for churches who would like to have the beautiful covered bridge Peacemaking quilt come visit--please let us know.

June 7th, 7 p.m. we will meet at the home of Myrna Farraj, 53 Kennedy Parkway, Iowa City. **You are most welcome.**

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Ross Thedens, co-moderator

COMMISSION ON MINISTRY

ACTION ITEMS

None

INFORMATION ITEMS

The following motions were moved, seconded and approved by the Commission on Ministry in its meeting of February 14, 2017 and are presented here as information:

Motion: If the way be clear to appoint Rev. Wayne Peach, HR, to serve as mentor for Rev. Maxwell Muska, new pastor at Manchester serving his first call.

Motion: To gather the commission at a retreat this summer. Proposed topics for discussion would include addressing absenteeism at Presbytery meetings and restructuring administration of pastor compensation. One proposal would increase per capita dues to a level adequate to fund pastor salaries which would be disbursed by Presbytery. Location, date and agenda to be discussed at the March COM meeting. Harry, Rebecca, Jennifer and Larry will work on an agenda for the retreat.

Motion: In the pursuit of furthering our Covenant Community, COM members resume the practice of visiting churches in the Presbytery to serve as a resource to assess successes, challenges and needs of the church and session. It was agreed two members should attend to these conferences and perhaps share a meal with the pastor prior to meeting with session. Specifically; investigate what is working well, what needs improvement and to identify barriers to achieving goals. Jennifer will coordinate the effort.

Motion: To distribute annual ministry report forms to clergy in the Presbytery to ensure fulfillment of criteria for membership and service to a validated ministry.

The motion was APPROVED with the addition of a question under the heading of continuing education: "If you did not use your Continuing Education this year, why not?"

Motion: That the 2017 contract for the Temporary Pastoral Relationship between Teaching Elder Aimee Goldmeyer and New London Presbyterian Church be approved. Terms of the contract are as follows:

Contract to be in force from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017

Full-time position:

Cash salary	\$35,448
FRV of a Manse	\$10,634
Utilities paid by church	
2 weeks per six months paid vacation, cumulative to 4 weeks	
1 week per six months paid continuing education, cumulative to 2 weeks	
6 weeks paid maternity/paternity leave per occurrence	
Mileage reimburse at IRS current rate	
Continuing education expenses of \$600, cumulative to 12 months	
Professional expenses of \$200	
No sabbatical leave	

The motion was APPROVED with the provision to waive the standard expense amount for continuing education and professional expenses.

Motion: Moderator and John Hougen to review a petition to the Board of Pensions regarding the Stated Supply Position at Calvin Sinclair. Specifically, the BOP requires direct notification from Presbytery ensuring the status of less than one half time for Stated Supply Pastor Dennis Morey will not change in the foreseeable future. This could relieve Calvin Sinclair from the obligation of paying vacancy dues related to Will Jackson's retirement from a full-time call on December 31, 2015.

Motion: To appoint Sara Hegar to serve as moderator for Mediapolis, First

The following motions were moved, seconded and approved by the Commission on Ministry in its meeting of March 14, 2017 and are presented here as information:

Motion: To approve the following Administrative Commission for the ordination of Candidate Tammy Schmidt on behalf of Transylvania Presbytery at Echo Hill Presbyterian Church on Sunday, April 2, 2017 at 2:00 PM.

The Commission is as follows:

Ruling Elders

Jim Claypool, Moderator, Presbytery of East Iowa, Member of Iowa City, First Harry Hoyt, Ruling Elder, First Presbyterian Church, Davenport, Iowa, Lynda Nelson, Ruling Elder, Echo Hill Presbyterian Church, Marion, Iowa.

Teaching Elders

Debra Kinney, Teaching Elder, First Presbyterian Church, Burlington, Iowa, Melody Oltmann, First Presbyterian Church, LeClaire, Iowa, Nathan Williams, Echo Hill Presbyterian Church, Marion, Iowa.

NOTE: Tammy Schmidt will be approved at the stated meeting on March 15, 2017 to take up a validated ministry within the bounds of Transylvania Presbytery (Lexington, KY). The Presbytery has requested the Presbytery of East Iowa, as the presbytery of care, to ordain Tammy on their behalf as the presbytery of call, so that she may be ordained in her home church.

Motion: To allow the Rev. Dr. Pam Saturnia to officiate at a wedding on March 18, 2018 at Indigo Falls Event Center in Dallas, GA which is outside the bounds of the Presbytery of East Iowa. She has also requested and received permission to labor inside the bounds of the Cherokee Presbytery.

Motion: To approve the Temporary Supply Contract for Rev. Sarah Hegar and the Mediapolis Presbyterian Church for a period of 3/5/17 to 3/4/18 as follows:

Preach one Sunday per month
Moderate the session meetings
Administer the sacraments and provide any pastoral care that might be required
Termination can be giving by 30 day written notice by either party
Compensation will be \$ 150 per month plus mileage at the IRS rate
No other benefits are provided

The motion was APPROVED with the following condition:

If the contract will require an additional significant amount of time to provide pastoral care outside of the one Sunday per month is necessary, we will require that this additional time will be compensated at a rate of \$ 23.00 per hour over and above the monthly salary.

Motion: To communicate to Randi Henderson clarification of COM policy that the interim pastor may not work in tandem with a COM transition guide(s) when a PNC is formed for Westminster Presbyterian Church other than to explain and answer questions about the process that might come up from the congregation.

MOTIONS APPROVED BY E-MAIL and PRESENTED HERE AS INFORMATION

The following motion sent by e-mail dated 3 February 2017 was approved by COM and is summarized here as information:

Motion: To allow Rowley Presbyterian Church to reduce their numbers of member on Session to five.

The following motion sent by e-mail dated 6 February 2017 was approved by COM and is summarized here as information:

Motion: To approve the following Installation Commission for the installation of the Rev. David Snyder at Springville Presbyterian Church on February 19, 2017 at 12:30 PM.

The Commission is as follows:

Jim Claypool, Presbytery Moderator, RE, First Presbyterian, Iowa City
Anni Mingin, TE, First Presbyterian, Marengo
Wayne Peach, TE, Member At Large, HR, Monticello
Morrie Denson, RE, First Presbyterian, Marengo
Kimberly Keiper, RE, Central Presbyterian, Newhall
Cheryl Weld, RE, Springville Presbyterian, Springville

NETWORKING ANNOUNCEMENTS

AIM (Access & Inclusive Mission) Update – The AIM network continues to raise awareness and work with and for those living with disabilities. This network, along with St. Andrew Presbyterian, will be hosting an event with a speaker in which they have asked for financial assistance. The event will take place in October 2018. They will receive \$300 from the Mission, Outreach, and Support Committee of St. Andrew, \$225 from the Networking budget of Presbytery of East Iowa, and are currently applying for \$525 from The Omaha Presbyterian Seminary Foundation grant.

All-Iowa Presbyterians Event – June 2 & 3, 2017 – This will be a gathering of Presbyterians throughout the state of Iowa to worship, fellowship, and meet together. Keynote Speaker and Preacher will be Stated Clerk, Rev. Dr. J. Herbert Nelson. Brochures and Registration Information are available and attached to this report.

Seeking to be Faithful Together: Guidelines for Presbyterians During Times of Disagreement

In a spirit of trust and love, we promise we will...

<p>Give them a hearing... listen before we answer</p> <p><i>John 7:51 and Proverbs 18:13</i></p>	<p>1 Treat each other respectfully so as to build trust, believing that we all desire to be faithful to Jesus the Christ;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – we will keep our conversations and communications open for candid and forthright exchange, – we will not ask questions or make statements in a way which will intimidate or judge others. <p>2 Learn about various positions on the topic of disagreement.</p> <p>3 State what we think we heard and ask for clarification before responding, in an effort to be sure we understand each other.</p>
<p>Speak the truth in love</p> <p><i>Ephesians 4:15</i></p>	<p>4 Share our concerns directly with individuals or groups with whom we have disagreements in a spirit of love and respect in keeping with Jesus' teachings.</p> <p>5 Focus on ideas and suggestions instead of questioning people's motives, intelligence or integrity;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – we will not engage in name-calling or labelling of others prior to, during, or following the discussion. <p>6 Share our personal experiences about the subject of disagreement so that others may more fully understand our concerns.</p>
<p>Maintain the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace</p> <p><i>Ephesians 4:3</i></p>	<p>7 Indicate where we agree with those of other viewpoints as well as where we disagree.</p> <p>8 Seek to stay in community with each other though the discussion may be vigorous and full of tension;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – we will be ready to forgive and be forgiven. <p>9 Follow these additional guidelines when we meet in decision-making bodies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – urge persons of various points of view to speak and promise to listen to these positions seriously; – seek conclusions informed by our points of agreement; – be sensitive to the feelings and concerns of those who do not agree with the majority and respect their rights of conscience; – abide by the decision of the majority, and if we disagree with it and wish to change it, work for that change in ways which are consistent with these Guidelines. <p>10 Include our disagreement in our prayers, not praying for the triumph of our viewpoints, but seeking God's grace to listen attentively, to speak clearly, and to remain open to the vision God holds for us all.</p>

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MEETINGS OF THE PRESBYTERY OF EAST IOWA

1. Any main motion introduced on the floor should be legibly written and submitted to the Stated Clerk.
2. Microphones are placed on the floor for the use of the commissioners. Whenever you wish to address the Presbytery **promptly** proceed to the nearest microphone.
3. The proper procedure for gaining recognition is to say, “Mr. Moderator,” or “Madame Moderator,” and **wait** for the Moderator to recognize you before speaking.
4. The person making the motion is entitled to speak first in debate. However, the maker of the motion must be silent until the motion is seconded and has been stated by the Moderator, providing the motion is debatable.
5. The newest edition of *Roberts Rules of Order* is the parliamentary authority.
6. At times the Moderator may rule on a matter without taking a vote. If there is no objection, it will be considered unanimous (or general) consent. If there is an objection, it should be made known immediately. If even one commissioner objects, a vote must be taken.
7. If you want to make or change a motion or policy and do not know the correct procedure:
 - a) be recognized by the Moderator
 - b) say what you want to do
 - c) ask the moderator how to do it

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

TO DO THIS	SAY THIS . . .	VOTE REQUIRED TO PASS
Make a main motion	“I move that ...” or “I move to...”	Majority
Modify or change a motion	“I move to amend by...”	Majority
Postpone consideration to another time	“I move to postpone until...”	Majority or 2/3 if a special order
End debate and bring to a vote	“I move the previous question” or “I move the previous question on all pending questions.”	Two-thirds
Refer to a committee	“I move that this matter be referred to ...”	Majority
Object to procedures	“Point of order.”	Usually the Moderator decides
Challenge ruling of the moderator	“I appeal the Moderator’s decision.	Majority or tie vote sustains the Moderator
Retake the vote by rising	“I call for a division” or simply “Division”.	The demand requires a rising vote

The Moderator exists to help Presbytery accomplish what it wishes to accomplish. The Moderator does not have to have the vote counted. If the vote is not counted and you desire that it be counted, you may move the incidental motion: “I move that the vote be counted.” The Moderator may call for objections on a motion and seeing/hearing none may declare that the motion passes.

MOTION FORM

When presenting motions to the Presbytery, please write your motion on this form. If you are not sure of the wording of your motion, state whatever it is that you wish to accomplish so that the Moderator or Stated Clerk can assist you.

YOUR MOTION

**OR
WHAT YOU WISH TO ACCOMPLISH**

Your Name:

Check one:

- Teaching Elder Commissioner**
- Ruling Elder Commissioner**