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From The Session:

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

1. The session shall meet before the service of ordination and installation to confer with the officers-elect and to hear any objections to the ordination and installation of such officers-elect.
2. The pastor of the congregation shall preside over the service of ordination and installation of ruling elders and deacons. If the congregation is without a pastor, the session shall invite some minister to preside.
3. At the time of the ordination and installation service, the officers-elect shall present themselves before the congregation, and shall solemnly promise, according to the annexed formula, to maintain the doctrine, government, discipline, and worship of the Church.

FORMULA FOR ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

- (1) Do you believe in one God - Father, Son and Holy Spirit - and do you confess anew the Lord Jesus Christ as your Saviour and Lord, and acknowledge Him Head over all things for the Church, which is His Body?
 - (2) Do you reaffirm your belief in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as the Word of the living God, the only perfect rule of faith and practice, to which nothing is to be added and from which nothing is to be taken at any time or upon any pretext?
 - (3) Do you accept the doctrines of this Church, contained in the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms, as founded on the Word of God and as the expression of your own faith and do you resolve to adhere thereto?
 - (4) Do you accept the government, discipline, and worship of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church?
 - (5) Do you accept the office of ruling elder (deacon) in this congregation; and do you promise to perform faithfully all the duties of the office; and do you promise to endeavor by the grace of God to live your life in Christian witness before the church and in the world?
 - (6) Do you promise to submit in the spirit of love to the authority of the session and to the higher courts of the Church?
 - (7) Do you promise in all things to promote the unity, peace, purity, and prosperity of the church?
4. These questions having been answered in the affirmative, the presiding officer shall address the following question to the congregation:
- Do you, the members of this congregation, acknowledge and receive these fellow members as ruling elders (deacons), and do you promise to give them all the honor, obedience, and encouragement, and assistance in the spirit of love to which their office according to the Word of God and the Constitution of this Church, entitles them?
5. After the members of the congregation have signified their affirmative answer to this question by standing, the officers-elect shall kneel and be set apart to their office with prayer and the laying on of the hands of the session.
 6. Following the ordination prayer, the minister shall say: "In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, the great Head of the Church, I now declare you duly ordained and installed in the sacred office of ruling elder (deacon)."

The members of the session shall take the new officers by the hand, saying: "We give you the right hand of fellowship to take part in this ministry with us."

The minister shall then charge both the officers and the people regarding their Christian responsibilities to each other and to the Church.

REINSTALLATION

1. A ruling elder or deacon re-elected to office under the rotary system shall be installed into the same office without reordination.
2. A ruling elder or deacon who transfers membership from one congregation to another and is elected to the same office shall be installed without reordination.
3. Officers being reinstated shall be required to assume the obligations in Question 5 through 7 of the "Formula for Ordination and Installation," and shall then be declared formally installed by the presiding officer.
4. A ruling elder or deacon who transfers membership from another denomination and is elected to the same office shall be required to assume the obligations for the full "Formula for Ordination and Installation" and shall be installed without reordination.

TIME CHANGE SUNDAY
November 2, 2014

End of Daylight Savings Time
Turn your clocks back 1 hour

FALL BACK

INTERCESSORY PRAYER NEEDS

ILLNESS: **Theo Baulding** (*Crushed Vertebrae & Treatment*); **Jean Cathey** (*Eye Surgery*); **Lillian Fuller** (*Recovering well*); **The Gregorys** (*Hope – Alzheimer's, Gary – Caregiver*); **Catherine Mangum** (*Hip Surgery - recovering*); **Betty Mann** (*Collarbone Surgery, recovering well*); **Margie Mann** (*Health Issues. Going to Duke for tests*); **Mae Wilburn** (*Home with physical therapy, but still weak*); **Mary Renegar** (*Skin cancer surgery*); **Glenn & Margaret Owens** (*Caring for several family members who are ill*)

CHURCH NEEDS: Elders, Deacons, Congregational Love & Unity, Pastor Search

MISSIONARIES: Andy & Nannette Howard (Pakistan), Jeff & Lisa King (Chile), Ali & Tara Mitchell (ARP Connect), Jubilee Birthday Ladies – Sheila Osborne & Nannette Howard

OTHER MISSIONS: Doug Arms (Elon), Jesse Wesselink (International Students, Inc), Siloam Missionary Homes, Alamance Pregnancy Center, Allied Churches, Meals on Wheels

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THANK YOU!

We would like to express our grateful appreciation to the Board of Deacons for coordinating a very successful Homecoming celebration. Also, a special thanks to Mary Jane and Doug Glass for using their special gift in decorating and supervising the bountiful meal. The event was highlighted by having our former pastor Tim Robinson and his wife Lynn participating. It was a blessing for all who attended.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAL ARP WOMEN'S MINISTRIES RETREAT

November 7-8, 2014
Bonclarken Conference Center

Our very own Dot Hutelmyer will be the speaker. This will be a great time to get away and relax while getting to know each other better. Please plan to join us! If you RSVP we can work on room arrangements and travel together. Please let Jessica Richardson know at 336-437-4388 or richardson.jessica83@gmail.com.

FIRST ARP LADIES!

Our **Christmas Party** is scheduled for Saturday, December 13 at 6:00 pm at Mosca's downtown Burlington. We will order off the menu (plan on \$7-\$13), but we will provide a special dessert treat. A gift exchange is planned. Please bring a gift (\$10-\$15 value) if you'd like to participate.

Please RSVP to Jessica Richardson by Sunday, December 5, 14 at 437-4388 or richardson.jessica83@gmail.com.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

If you would like to have a poinsettia in the church in honor or memory of someone, there will be a bulletin insert and a specially marked envelope in this Sunday's bulletin. Please complete the form and insert it into the specially marked envelope with your contribution of \$16.00. You may also mail in your order and payment to Gloria. The deadline is Thursday, 11/20/2014.

UPCOMING BUSINESS ITEMS

The deadline for submitting nominations for officers is October 31st. The Congregational Meeting to elect officers and approve the 2015 budget is scheduled for December 7th.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Caleb Sneed	11/1
Phillip Beaman	11/3
Natalie Wright	11/3
Fran Haynes	11/4
Jean Cathey	11/5
Chip Wright	11/8
Marcus Orr	11/9
Pat Montgomery	11/10
Jack Snow	11/10
David Newton	11/12
Rucker Turner	11/12
Stephanie Payne	11/14
Sandy Childrey	11/15
Doris Haywood	11/19
Laurene Howington	11/20
Chelle Spencer	11/20
Martha Alexander	11/22
Ellen Huffman	11/24
Audrey Turner	11/24
Annie Michael	11/26
Laura Nicholson	11/27
Joe Murray	11/28



NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Russ & Joyce Payne (35)	11/3
Jill & William Roy (33)	11/7
Randall & Libby Cobb (28)	11/8
John & Melissa Harris (11)	11/15
Jim & Carolyn Christopher (44)	11/21
Chuck & Mary Renegar (62)	11/22
Steve & Sue Walton	11/27

NEW ADDRESS

Tim and Betty Bessette
54 Swanage Drive
Bella Vista, Arkansas
72715

YOUNG AT HEART

Foy Evans will coordinate the meetings for December and January. Due to ongoing family responsibilities Glenn and Margaret will not be able to continue coordinating this ministry in 2015. Will you consider this ministry?

MEALS ON WHEELS

Thank you to Ed and Lynn Limon who have volunteered to deliver meals December 22 and 23. Bill and Fran Haynes have volunteered for January 20, 2015. Due to ongoing family responsibilities Glenn and Margaret will not be able to continue with this ministry in 2015. Will you consider this ministry?

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

It's that time again! Please consider filling a shoebox for Samaritan's Purse. These boxes will be shipped to many different countries to bring joy and smiles to underprivileged children around the world. Brochures are available at the entrances of the sanctuary. It's not too soon to start buying items and preparing the boxes. We need donations too, to help offset the cost of shipping. The cost is \$7.00 per box. Boxes should be turned in by November 9th.

MINISTRY REMINDERS

Nursery:

Nov 2: Nicole Newton
Macon Baird
Nov 9: Kristen Carter
Connie Bennett

Counter:

Nov 2: Glenn Owens
Nov 9: Gene Parks

Deacon Duty:

Nov 2: Doug Glass
Nov 9: Mark Vestal