

**MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2020  
SPECIAL MEETING OF SESSION**

On Wednesday, June 24, 2020, the Session of Westminster Presbyterian Church held a special Zoom meeting. Dr. Lancaster opened the meeting with prayer at 7:04 p.m.

Session members attending were Dr. Lancaster, Rev. Rogers, and Elders Bacik, Burgess, Castelli, Conley, Dilly, Fraser, Galbreath, Heilman, Jenkins, Lee, Myers, O'Brien, Paul, Rex, Sheap, Singleton, Wagner, Walker, Widmar and Williams, constituting a quorum.

**BUSINESS ITEM**

**Vision Task Force Recommendation.** A written Vision Task Force Report containing the Task Force's recommendation to reopen the church for in-person worship was distributed to Session members prior to the meeting. Elder Paul made a motion for Session approval of the Vision Task Force's recommendation. Lengthy discussion ensued on the Vision Task Force Report, after which Session tentatively approved the following reopening plan:

- In-person worship to begin July 19;
  - o Contemporary worship will be held at 9:00 a.m. in the sanctuary;
  - o Traditional worship will be held at 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary;
  - o Both services will be livestreamed.
- In order to open effectively, the following guidelines will be put in place:
  - o The sanctuary will be thoroughly cleaned before and in between the two services.
  - o All attendees should make a reservation
  - o Social distancing will be maintained by designated seating.
  - o Facemasks are required as per the directives of the Governor and Public Health Department.
  - o The offering plates will not be passed. Offering plates will be available in the Narthex.
  - o Hand sanitizer will be available in the Narthex.
  - o Ushers will dismiss attendees by row at the end of the service.
  - o Attendees wishing to visit with friends will do so outside.
- Members are urged to stay safe at home and worship via the livestream service if;
  - o They have been or feel ill;
  - o They have been exposed to someone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19.
  - o They are not comfortable wearing a mask for the entire service.
- Failure of congregants to comply with our guidelines could lead us to close doors to in-person worship once again with only online worship services available.

Session decided to continue to monitor the COVID-19 statistics in our area and to meet again on July 8 to confirm if conditions warrant reopening at this time.

Dr. Lancaster agreed to convey this plan to the congregation by letter.

**ADJOURNMENT WITH PRAYER**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned with prayer at 8:13 p.m. The next special meeting of Session will be held on July 8, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Brian Peck  
Clerk of Session

Approved: August 17, 2020