

Your Session at Work

This is your monthly update from the Session at Trinity Presbyterian Church to keep you more informed about what's going on in our church. The purpose is to help you be more aware of how the church is doing and what issues are being addressed by the Session.

If you have any questions or concerns about anything, please don't hesitate to ask us.

Meeting Date: May 27, 2018

Ministry Teams/Committees:

In prior newsletters, we have reported on the organization of Ministry Teams. Now that those teams have been formalized, we need your participation to help them reach their full potential. If there is an area which interests you, please see one of the elders below to offer your time and talents.

- Worship: Leland Morris and Liz White
- Learn: Carol Hopson and Ben Zurita
- Serve: Amanda Chumchal and Meredith Golden
- Fellowship: Jay Steele
- Personnel: Todd Taber
- Buildings and Grounds: Hank Barger
- Stewardship: Sarah Gray

Dental Building and Parking Lot:

On June 3rd, the congregation gave their approval to sell the annexed piece of property alongside our access road to Madone, LLC (aka The Dental Group). The group's initial submission to the City of Southlake's Planning and Zoning Commission was rejected and they will be presenting a modified building plan in August. We do not yet know how this may impact the construction of the parking lot on our property and will keep you informed as this process continues.

Finances:

Givings remain down and revenue continues to be a concern. We have not yet reached a critical stage. Non-pledged giving has been much lower than anticipated. This is the most difficult revenue category to predict during our budgeting process.

Discipleship and Student Ministry:

This currently is the single most important topic we are addressing on Session. The attendance and participation of our June 3rd town-hall meeting demonstrates the importance our congregation places on our Student Ministry and the recognition that how we respond to this need will impact our church family for years to come. As a session, we are committed to keep the conversation moving forward. We will consider the input from the town hall meeting and other input obtained directly from our students to help develop a strategy for serving student and discipleship needs at Trinity. We welcome any further thoughts that you may have as we go through this process. Please feel free to talk to Pastor Tim or any of the elders listed below.

Preschool:

Session unanimously approved a motion giving our Preschool Board authority to increase their current budget. The budget modification was needed to bring the Preschool Director's salary to a level appropriate for the number of teachers and size of our student population. This in turn will allow Trinity Private Preschool to continue providing an outstanding program that ministers to the young children in our community.

Sincerely,
Your Session

Liz White, Sara Gray, Jay Steele, Amanda Chumchal, Carol Hopson, Todd Taber, Ben Zurita, Leland Morris, Hank Barger, and Meredith Golden