

Leadership Cabinet Report
Yellowstone Presbytery November 3-4 2023
FPC Butte/ Zoom

Leadership cabinet met in July, August, September, and October. We started every meeting with Dwelling in the Word. This is to remind us that to be able to do the work of God we must first remember to be the people of God and to hopefully have our minds, dreaming and planning shaped and guided by the Spirit through the scriptures, and to listen to and learn from one another as we seek to learn God's leading. The vision statement directs us to gather together for God's glory and spiritual synergy. We have kept this in mind as we plan Presbytery meetings and work toward being disciple-making, disciple-sending leaders. A major vehicle since the time of Jesus and his early followers involves creating small groups in our churches, neighborhoods, and throughout our Presbytery. We desire to equip and encourage one another for living out our whole vision as Christ's disciples in the context in which we are sent.

EQUIP & ENCOURAGE

- Reflected on feedback from June Presbytery meeting
- Received and discussed General Presbyter's report
- Shared where we have seen the Spirit at work recently, especially in and through our lives, small groups and churches. We are incorporating this practice of seeing and sharing about the Holy Spirit at work into our November Presbytery meeting.
- Received and approved two grant requests from the Presbyterian Church in Dillon to help cover stipends for two college interns. The funds will come out of the Equip and Encourage account. This is in conjunction with higher ed grant for pioneering a congregation-based higher education ministry.
- Scheduled and hosted a 60-minute Zoom presentation on the new Church Discipline Section of the Book of Order. Paige McRight, chairperson of the Rules of Discipline Revision Task Force, presented.
- Considered request from Glacier Presbytery for conversations concerning futures of the two Presbyteries. Cabinet members determined we are not presently in a position to do more than continue our commitment to mutual opportunities of support, encouragement, and equipping our people and churches.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Received regular reports from personnel sub-group as they continue to rewrite the personnel handbook. They also are working with Kathy to write a new General Presbyter's job description.
- Received requests and granted funds for higher education ministry to Rocky Mountain College, MSU Billings, and MSU Bozeman
- Worked to fill open slots on the Rep/Nom team.

Action Items for Presbytery meeting:

- Nominate Lanny Rounds , Sandy Welch, and Terry Johnson for a three year term on rep/nom
This will be brought forward with the rest of the slate by rep/nom
- Recommend 2024 Budget & Presbytery per capita for 2024
recommend Presbytery adopt the proposed budget of \$187,705.00 for 2024 and
set the 2024 per capita at \$58.00. * see Treasurers Report
- Recommend a 3.7% salary increase for employees in 2024.
- Recommend the following dates to Yellowstone Presbytery for 2024 meetings of the presbytery
with locations to be determined at a later date: March 1 & 2, May-June meeting to be
determined at a later date, and November 1& 2

Submitted by Russell Kline, LC Moderator