

Joint Session Meeting
First Presbyterian Church of Bainbridge and United Presbyterian Church in East Guilford
Virtual on Zoom 6/20/2023

Attending: Paul Cliffe, Don Cole, Al Clune, Gordon Spreutels, Billie Jo Northrup, Paula Banks, Cheryl Nages, Mike Davidson, Bainbridge Clerk of Session Dorian Bunting-Cliffe, East Guilford Clerk of Session Kathy Schmit, and Moderator Rev. Dr. Ken Simurro

Facilitator: Cheryl Nages

We Gather in God's Name and Present Our Offerings

- Call to Order/Declaration of Quorum and Opening Prayer at 6:45 p.m.
- Approval of Minutes from joint meeting May 23, 2023 - **MSP**

Pastor's Report Highlights

- Ken highlighted the moving of the organ at East Guilford. Bible study after this Sunday will be done until September. In his round trips he incorporated visits so it did not add anything to the mileage.
- Motion to approve the pastor's report. **MSP**

Committee Reports

- Spiritual Nurture Committee - Cheryl asked Don about how the offering is going to be collected and communion collected at East Guilford. A table will be set up outside the gazebo. Gordon will let Cheryl know the radio station to tune to for the outside services. Other details will be worked on at the next Spiritual Nurture meeting next Tuesday.
- Presbytery Meeting - Cheryl sent a report.
- Mission Committee
 - Ken gave a report on the current plans for the health fair. September 23rd is the date. The Chamber of Commerce has been approached to get their support. As the summer progresses we will be receiving information. A table with information on our congregation would be a good idea. The next Bainbridge Connects will have information about the event.
 - Motion to approve reports. **MSP**

Old Business

- Worship will be at East Guilford for the months of July and August at 9:00 a.m. We will be outside as much as possible and there will be no online option.

New Business

- Al brought up the idea of a coffee time before the service or a brunch time after the summer services. He is interested in having it sponsored by local vendors so it does not involve a major cost commitment for anyone. Kathy did coffee one summer before the service, she had a table outside which kept it informal. She also mentioned having a produce table. Al is willing to organize. He is hoping to start the second week of July. Kathy also suggested having people bring their own coffee mugs.

Next Meeting

- July 18th - 6:00 for East Guilford with Bainbridge joining at 6:45 p.m. and will be on Zoom.
- Motion to adjourn @ 7:08 p.m. **MSP** Closing Prayer (Cheryl)

Respectfully Submitted,

Dorian Bunting-Cliffe, Clerk of Session