

ORDER OF THE DAY: Examination of New Members – Sue Gochenour. Shared her faith journey; floor opened for questions. Session voted to receive Sue as an active member by reaffirmation of faith. Will be received Sunday, March 14.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 27 stated meeting; February 14 Congregational Meeting – both approved as printed.

REVIEW OF TREASURER’S REPORT: January 2010 Treasurer’s report.

Regular Offering.	7,764
Total Income.	12,189.45
Total Expenses.	11,937.63
Income-Expenses.	251.82

Income is down about \$2,000 per month over the first two months of 2010, due to weather-related issues. Stewardship and Finance will transfer \$5,000 into the General Fund to cover expenses.

CLERK’S REPORT

1. Membership actions – See Order of the Day, above
2. Average worship attendance, February 14-28, 2010: 60
3. Correspondence. Several items of information were shared: HAMC Pulpit Exchange proposal; Staunton City Police on National Child Safety Council proposal (circulated among Session members.) Session took no action on the latter item.
4. Minutes Review. Session’s minutes for 2009 are in the process of being submitted for their annual review. Nancy Swisher is a member of the Sessional Records Committee of Shenandoah Presbytery.

PASTOR’S REPORT

1. **Communion procedure.** Session decided to continue to use the six-elder model for serving communion. The following items were noted:
 - Only one elder should serve the choir, not two. The other elder should immediately go to the balcony, and nursery (if needed). These elders should switch roles for serving the cup.
 - Session should continue to assess if there are problems with holding the bread until all are served (too long an interval)? It was decided to have everyone hold the elements for the next couple of services, to see if this is an issue.
2. **Lenten-Holy Week events.** Several upcoming events during March and early April were noted. (These have been run in the bulletin in recent weeks.)
3. **Meeting reminder.** Session was reminded that there is no March meeting of Session. The next Session meeting will be Wednesday, April 28, 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.
4. **Highland Augusta Mission Community pulpit exchange.** Session addressed the idea from HAMC of participating in a pulpit exchange, with a suggested date of May 18. The consensus was that an exchange would be better in the fall than the spring; if it is in May, Second would not participate.
5. **Presbytery Council.** The pastor reported that he was elected to serve as the Vice Chair of Presbytery Council for the rest of this year, which will put him in line to serve as Chair of Council next year.

6. **Vacation-Study Leave.** The pastor reported the dates he knows he will be away this year, for future pulpit supply needs: Sunday, July 4 (Vacation: 219th General Assembly attendance); Sunday, July 25 (Study Leave: Baja Mission Trip); Sunday, August 1: Study Leave, Baja Mission Trip)

STANDING COMMITTEES REPORTS

1. **Worship and Music** — Next meeting: 4/28, 6:30 p.m. Palm Sunday preparations are in place for the luncheon after worship on March 28.
2. **Christian Education** — Next meeting: TBA
Committee has not met since last Session meeting ... winter played havoc with Youth plans, with February scheduled events having to be cancelled ... Next event is Bowling on March 13, 4:00 p.m. at Staunton Lanes, followed by pizza at CiCi’s.
3. **Membership/Outreach** — Next meeting: 4/28, 6:30 p.m. Palm Sunday luncheon preparations are in place; done cooperatively w/PW ... reviewed flower policy for members in hospital, etc. ... Committee will work on updating the Elder Care Lists.
4. **Mission** — Next meeting: 4/28, 6:00 p.m.
April 14 Church Night gathering: Baja Fundraiser Baked Potato Bar; other fundraisers are being planned ... One Great Hour of Sharing will be interpreted throughout March; Minute for Mission on March 28; receive offering on Easter Sunday, April 4,, and throughout April ... Recommendation on 2009 excess Hunger Funds disbursement: \$1,000 to Shenandoah Living Waters Team, for repairs to water system installations in Haiti; \$900 to Presbyterian Hunger Program for a seed program for Haitian farmers (providing seeds ASAP for spring planting) ... \$18.32 from Mission Program line item (7108) to even up the amounts, above.
5. **Property** — Next meeting: 4/28, 6:30 p.m.
Ice and snow damage to gutters and down spouts; Committee is having Jesse O’Brien come to inspect and correct the damage.
6. **Stewardship and Finance**—Next meeting: 4/26, 6:30 p.m.
No further report (reported during review of Treasurer’s report, above)

UNFINISHED (OLD) BUSINESS

1. **Shenandoah Presbytery meeting** – Report of February 13 Stated Meeting: Mary Rainey/Dan Williams. Mary Lou Cox installed as new Presbytery moderator ... Donna Desarrio-Raynal examined and approved for ordination ... two overtures were approved to GA, one about standing rules submitted by Dan Williams and Jonathan Lovelady.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Upcoming meetings:**
 - a. **Session:** April 28, 2010, 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall
 - b. **Shenandoah Presbytery:** Tuesday, May 13, 2010 – Cooks Creek Presbyterian Church, Harrisonburg area, (9:00 a.m.)
 - c. **Highland-Augusta Mission Community:** Tuesday, April 20, 2010, 11:00 a.m. (Mt. Horeb Church)