

2025 Wycliffe Presbytery Minutes

April 29, 2025

Church of the Redeemer

West Monroe, LA

9:01 am

- Welcome and Singing: *O God of Earth and Altar*
- Devotion by Pastor Steve Wilkins from 1 Jn 1:5-7 on communion and loneliness.
- Roll Call and Seating of Delegates and quorum established
 - Randy Booth and Jonathan Landrum: Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church – Nacogdoches, TX
 - Steve Jeffery and Geoff Shaw: All Saints Presbyterian Church – Ft Worth, TX
 - Will Martin: Trinity Reformed Church – Muldoon, TX
 - Jeff Ripple and Caleb Ripple: Christ Fellowship Church – Taylor, TX
 - Derek Hale: Trinity Covenant Church – Wichita, KS
 - Mark Balthrop and Brad Billheimer: redeemer OKC
 - Michael Kidd and Collin Houseal: Grace Covenant Church – Bono, AR
 - Nick Esch and Eli Melton: Cornerstone Reformed Church – Terrell, TX
 - Adam McIntosh and John Simpson: Saint David's Reformed Church – Tomball, TX
 - Aaron Booth and Steve Wilkins: Church of the Redeemer – West Monroe, LA
 - Rob Hadding and James Nabours: Covenant Reformed Church – Sulphur, LA
 - Dylan Stinson: King's Cross Reformed Church – Austin, TX
- Introduction of Visitors
- Approval of Agenda: James Nabours and Jeff Ripple made a motion to approve. Approved
- Approval of Minutes of October 2024 Presbytery Meeting: Steve Jeffery and James Nabours made a motion to approve. Discussion to separate executive session minutes from the regular session minutes. Approved.
- Presiding Minister's Report: noted the correction needed to add Cornerstone Reformed Church – Terrell, TX and Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church – St. Petersburg, Russia. Steve Wilkins and Nick Esch made a motion to approve. Approved.
- Church Reports were received
 - Arkansas:
 - Grace Covenant Church, Bono, Arkansas: report by Michael Kidd, prayer by Nick Esch.
 - (Mission: Christ Church, Searcy, Arkansas)
 - Kansas:
 - Trinity Covenant Church, Wichita, Kansas: report by Derek Hale, prayer by Adam McIntosh.
 - Louisiana:
 - Church of the Redeemer, West Monroe, Louisiana: report by Steve Wilkins, prayer by James Nabours.
 - Covenant Reformed Church, Sulphur, Louisiana: report by Rob Hadding, prayer by Steve Wilkins.

(Mission: Church of the Triumphant King, Weatherford, Texas:
report by Dane Johannsson)

Oklahoma:

Redeemer Reformed Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma: report by Mark Balthrop, prayer by Randy Booth.

Texas:

All Saints Presbyterian Church, Ft. Worth, Texas: report by Geoff Shaw, prayer by Jeff Ripple.

(Mission: Christ Covenant Presbyterian Church, Granbury, Texas)

Christ Church, Boerne, Texas

Christ Fellowship Church, Taylor, Texas: report by Jeff Ripple, prayer by Will Martin.

Cornerstone Reformed Church, Terrell, Texas: report by Nick Esch, prayer by Michael Kidd.

Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, Nacogdoches, Texas: report by Randy Booth, prayer by Mark Balthrop.

(Mission: Trinity Reformed Presbyterian Church, Magnolia, Texas)

King's Cross Reformed Church, Austin, Texas: report by Dylan Stinson, prayer by Geoff Shaw.

Trinity Reformed Church, Muldoon, Texas: report by Will Martin, prayer by Derek Hale.

Saint David's Reformed Church, Tomball, Texas: report by Adam McIntosh, prayer by Steve Jeffery.

- Update on Mission and Candidate Churches
 - Church planting efforts in Tulsa, OK; Georgetown, TX; Artesia, NM
 - Waco Reformed Church update: no longer a candidate church.
 - Discussion about the mission and candidate church process. Discussed the usefulness of having a candidate church questionnaire. Randy Booth and Caleb Ripple made a motion for a PM-appointed committee of 3 to produce this optional questionnaire for potential mission and candidate churches. Steve Jeffery recommended the committee contact Virgil Hurt (Church Planting Network). The questionnaire should be completed by the next presbytery. Approved.
- Presentations
 - Reformed Evangelical Seminary by Steve Jeffery
 - HotSpot Project update by Steve Jeffery and Rob Hadding gave a report on the CREC Hotspot project (allsaintskirk.com/hotspot).
 - Redeemer School of the Arts by Jarrod Richey.
- Old Business
 - Update on Saint David's Reformed Church by Pastor Rob Hadding. Efforts at reconciliation are continuing.
- New Business
 - Update list of ordained ministers without a call: none on the list at this time.

- Discussion of kinism and antisemitism in CREC churches. Rob Hadding gave a report followed by discussion. Steve Jeffery noted the need to define the perimeter to the right at this time.
- Discussion of Memorial J. The alternative suggestion from Joshua Luper has not been included in the list. Discussion about the effectiveness of memorials. Randy Booth recommended not supporting any of the memorial options. Discussion about needing to play inside the system we're in. Discussion about the outside perception if we don't pass one of these memorials.
- Discussion of the procedure and threshold for adopting, editing, or replacing Memorials: no discussion.
- Fall Presbytery Meeting: Geoff Shaw and James Nabours moved to accept All Saints Presbyterian Church offer to host. Date TBA for October 2025. Approved.
- Prayer, Singing, Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by James Nabours and Derek Hale. Approved.
 - Hymn: *Rise Again, Ye-Lionhearted*.
 - Closed in prayer by Adam McIntosh at 3:44 pm.

Submitted by
Jonathan Landrum
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