

**First Presbyterian Church, Newton, Kansas
Special Session Meeting Minutes, June 2, 2020**

This meeting was scheduled primarily to discuss reopening the church on Sunday mornings.

The meeting was called to order by Pastor Scott McGinnis at 7:05 pm, with prayer. The meeting was held in Fellowship Hall with proper distance seating and all wore masks.

Elders Present: Sandy Larson, Rojean DuBois, Mel McAnulty, Nate Regier, John Higgs, Pam Trussell. A quorum was present.

Elders Absent: Carol Higgs, John Stretcher, Kay Enz.

There was no printed agenda.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Scott requested July 3-5 for Study days. A motion prevailed to approve the request.

Minutes from the meetings of Special Meeting March 13, Stated Session Meeting March 17, and Special Meeting May 5, 2020 were presented with corrections on the May 5, 2020 minutes. A motion prevailed for approval.

Financial Report: None reviewed.

New Business: A motion to reopen the church building for Sunday morning worship, with certain conditions, on June 7, 2020 prevailed.

Conditions: (In accordance with State and local guidelines.)

Seating designated by prearranged pattern to ensure proper physical distancing.
Wearing of masks is recommended, but not required if maintaining social distancing.

Masks will be available for congregants if needed.

Communion will be held with individual servings at each designated seat.

The Order of Service will be the same with the exclusion of congregational singing and receiving the Offering.

The Children's Youth Leader will present the "Children's Sermon".

Collection plates will be at the church entrance for leaving Tithes/Offerings.

Trash receptacles will be at the exit doors for disposal of used containers/papers.

Current Worship Services on-line will continue also.

Announcements: Pastor Scott will be on vacation June 29 – July 5, 2020. John Haspels will preach on July 5, 2020.

Team meetings will be held July 2, 2020.

The next scheduled Stated Session meeting will be July 21, 2020.

Kay Enz will have devotions/prayer.

Adjournment: A motion prevailed to adjourn at 8:10 pm. with communal prayer.

Respectfully submitted by:

Rojean DuBois, Clerk of Session