

Westminster Presbyterian Church  
Akron, Ohio  
Friday, February 8, 2019  
Minutes of Session E-meeting - FINAL

*Be adaptive, engaging, generous, inclusive and relevant. Be faithful. Be Westminster!*

The E-meeting of the Session of Westminster Presbyterian Church was called to order by the Moderator, the Reverend Jon Hauerwas, at 10:38 p.m.

Elders (+ present, \* excused, - absent)

Class of 2019	Class of 2020	Class of 2021
+ Marcia Holcomb	+ Michael Dunbar	+ Phil Fry
+ James Gray	+ Brad Hall	* Nancy Keogh
+ Ed Labbe	+ Shelley Koutnik, Treasurer	+ Becky Pool
+ Alec Works, Clerk of Session	+ Todd Willis	+ Don Rearick

Also present by email: Pastor Jon Hauerwas, Moderator, Greg Grafinger, Assistant Clerk of Session.

**Opening and Quorum**

Pastor Jon opened the meeting by email at 10:38 p.m. on Friday, February 8, 2019. The presence of a quorum was confirmed and declared.

**New Business**

The purpose of the meeting is to act on a request from Pastor Hauerwas to approve a substitute minister for this Sunday's (February 10, 2019) service. Pastor Jon reported that he had been diagnosed with strep throat earlier in the week. Although he was able to preside over a memorial service earlier on Friday, he struggled with his voice and it needs rest.

Since this Sunday's worship features Communion, a substitute preacher would need to be in full Communion with our denomination. Lutheran pastors fit this designation. The Reverend Doctor George Murphy was Westminster's 2016 Eberts' Lecturer. He is a professor and Lutheran pastor who has preached at our church before. He has agreed that he can preach for us on Sunday morning, and lead the administration of the sacrament. Pastor Jon agreed to meet with him on Saturday to discuss details.

The following motion was then made, seconded and voted on by Session:

**2019-023 MOTION prevailed** to approve having The Rev. Dr. George Murphy serve as our officiant for this Sunday's worship (February 10, 2019).

Ten elders approved, with nine approving before noon on Saturday.

The E-meeting was closed by Pastor Jon on February 11, 2019 at 9:17 a.m.

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Alec Works, Clerk of Session

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Pastor Jon Hauerwas, Moderator