

**Trinity Presbyterian Church (PCUSA) Valdosta, GA**

Stated Session Meeting Minutes

21 September 2025

<b>Class of 2025</b>	<b>Class of 2026</b>	<b>Class of 2027</b>
Britanny DiGiammarino (Clerk)	Mark Ferguson	Jeff Bickers
Beth Reid	Zirkia Snyman	Doug Maxwell
Glennie Wicks	Grant Wright	
Bryan Wright		

<b>Moderator</b>	Bradley Walker
<b>Clerk</b>	Britanny DiGiammarino
<b>Members Present</b>	Britanny DiGiammarino (clerk), Bryan Wright, Grant Wright, Glennie Wicks, Mark Ferguson, Doug Maxwell, Beth Reid, Bradley Walker (moderator), Jeff Bickers, Zirkia Snyman.
<b>Members Excused</b>	N/A

## 1. Devotional & Opening Prayer

Moderator Bradley Walker called the meeting to order at 3:05 PM, noting that a quorum was present.

He opened with scripture from Acts 2, which highlights four foundational aspects of ministry:

1. Devotion to the apostles' teaching
2. Fellowship (community and sharing)
3. The breaking of bread (communion and meals)
4. Prayer

The moderator encouraged the Session to reflect on how Trinity Presbyterian currently incorporates these practices and to consider areas for growth and development.

## 2. Approval of Agenda and August Minutes

The agenda was amended to include a New Business item from the Office Administrator regarding the purchase of a new office computer.

Motion: Approve the amended agenda and the August 2025 Session Meeting Minutes.

Action: Motion seconded and approved unanimously by voice vote.

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## 3. Consent Agenda

The following items were presented and approved in omnibus fashion by voice vote:

- A. Financial Report – Presented independently (not from a committee); requires a second for approval.
- B. Finance Policy – Amended to remove the word 'Elder' in Section 2.C.1. The section now reads:  
'The committee responsible for the activity [Wednesday Night Supper, Dutch Lunch Bunch, and Other Activity Cash] will assign an individual to cashier and two non-related Elders as counters.'
- C. Woodson Bickers' YAMI Proposal – Recommendation from Worship & Education.
- D. Denise Dupras TRE Application.
- E. Youth Mission Trip (February 13–16, 2026) – Recommendation from Worship & Education.
- F. Youth Lock-In (December 13–14, 2025) – Recommendation from Worship & Education.

All items were approved unanimously. The Finance Policy was approved as amended.

## 4. Standing Committee Reports

### **Finance**

For information only: The committee received the 2026 Stewardship Letter from Flint River Presbytery, distributed by Elizabeth Cantrell, and is reviewing contributions.

### **Worship & Education**

Report received.

### **Care Share & Missions**

Report received.

### **Building and Grounds**

#### **Action Item 1**

Accept Quote #1 from Carl Copeland for \$1,362 to pressure wash, caulk around fountain areas, and sealcoat flooring.

- Action: Motion seconded and approved unanimously.

#### **Action Item 2**

Approve the purchase of a new freezer for the Food Pantry. Funds are available in the Food Pantry account, though not in the general budget.

- Action: Motion seconded and approved unanimously.

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## 5. Old Business

- Visiting Pastor items & reflections from August minutes were discussed.
- Congregational Focus Areas – ongoing review.
- Pastoral Search – continuing.
- Nominating Committee Process
  - Two elder representatives were elected during the previous Session meeting.
  - The ENC (Elder Nominating Committee) has compiled a list of potential candidates. The top four have been selected: one for an unexpired term and three for the new class.
  - The nominating committee serves a **1-year term**. The Moderator suggested considering **3-year staggered terms** in the future.
- Manual of Operations  
Updates postponed. The Moderator recommended hiring an interim pastor to assist.

## 6. New Business

Office Computer: The Office Administrator reported that current office computers cannot upgrade to Windows 11, creating compatibility issues with the finance software.

Motion: Approve purchase of a new office computer (non-budgeted expense).

Action: Motion seconded and approved unanimously by voice vote.

## 7. Reminders & Prayer Requests

- Calendar & Newsletter: Approved updates available at [trinitypresval.org](http://trinitypresval.org) and in printed/digital newsletters.
- Upcoming Events:
  - Kirkin' o' the Tartan – Sunday, October 26
  - Trunk or Treat – Wednesday, October 29
  - Church Greening – Sunday, November 23
  - First Sunday of Advent – Sunday, November 30

## 8. Communications

No additional communications were presented.

## 9. Adjournment

Motion: Adjourn the meeting.

Action: Motion seconded and approved unanimously.

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Meeting adjourned at 5:18 PM.

Beth Reid closed in prayer.

**Next Stated Session Meeting: Sunday, October 19, 2025, at 3:00 PM.**

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brittany DiGiammarino". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Britanny DiGiammarino