

Pastor's Report to Session
January 19, 2022

For Your Information:

1. Mid-Kentucky Presbytery COM: The Commission on Ministry met on January 8, and as part of their discussion, they reappointed "a visitation team rather than a task force, to be available to Highland in whatever ways would be of help--meeting with you and/or Megan, attending session meetings, etc. Marissa Galvan-Valle and Katherine Trentham have agreed to serve on the group." [Email from Bill Williamson, facilitator for the visitation team, 1/9]. The visitation team may hold interviews with HPC members over the next few weeks. The intent is to compile a full account for COM's records.
2. We have been in contact with Joe Phelps and Erin Miers to continue to provide small group discussion for members. Both Erin and Joe felt that there the conversations in the fall were positive and that there was an interest among participants that more members would be able to be part of the ongoing opportunities to share.
3. I will be traveling home to Kansas, February 13 to 18.
4. I will (tentatively) be taking vacation the week of March 21-26.

For the Record:

1. Participated in the 4:30 p.m. Christmas Eve service and attended the 11:00 p.m. service.
2. Met with John Odom to discuss follow up from the Dec. 15 session meeting. Dec. 21.
3. Meeting with Joe Phelps and Erin Miers, along with Megan McCarty, to discuss their reflections on the small group gatherings in December and to gage interest in more conversations. Dec. 22.
4. Met with Bill Williamson, along with Megan, to debrief the Dec. 15 session meeting and to plan for continuing support from the COM/TF. Jan 13.
5. Participated in the Christmas Caroling neighborhood walk.
6. Attended the Advent workshop and Christmas pageant.
7. Held introductory meeting with Michael Harper, Jan 11.
8. Met with Property, Personnel, Worship and Spiritual Life, Stewardship and Finance committees, and the Reopening Task Force (twice).
9. Facilitated weekly meetings of the church staff and the worship & pastoral staff.
10. Had five days of vacation (including one Sunday), and four days of working from my home in Kansas. Dec. 28- Jan. 6.
11. 14 pastoral contacts.