

Session Snapshots – September 2026

Last month's minutes; the Clerk's agenda, consent agenda and report; the Treasurer's report and commission reports were approved, ratified or received as appropriate by Session.

Actions:

- Actions took place that were not required to be strictly Book of Order but were very beneficial to the church. GIPC received a tax refund of \$22,000 and was donated a lift that can be used for cleaning gutters, putting up outdoor and replacing indoor lights, etc.

Commission/Committee/Group Discussion:

- **Worship, Sacraments and Music:** A plan is being developed to have area students sing in the choir. They would receive a stipend of five dollars for attending practice and ten for singing on Sunday. St. James already has a similar program.
- **Communications:** Cyndi Jenkins continues to keep us well informed by bringing us the weekly newsletter, Spire and other online communications. However, in the future the Session might need to consider hiring someone for the position or finding additional help.
- **Technology:** Bryan Jenkins reported on the great work of the tech team. The team would like to elevate our Facebook exposure and address maintenance of the website. Also on the team's mind are the issues of equipment updates/replacements.
- **Mission and Stewardship:** The commission will donate \$5,000 to Living Waters for solar panels for their water installations in CUBA, and for a car for the translator they used on their visits.
- **Finance:** It was suggested an Insurance Committee of two to four people be created to review current coverage and proposals to determine the best value for GIPC. Finance works with the commissions on budgeting and related issues not just to be a good steward of our funds, but to ensure the congregation can do God's work.
- **Join us: Unless otherwise announced, session meetings take place in the Fireside Room on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend and contribute their ideas and talents to the critical task of building the future of GIPC. To attend via Zoom, check with the office to get the link, meeting ID and passcode.**

Respectively submitted by:

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