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Homesteader - March 17, 2015



PRIMETIME HIGHLIGHTS

Last month's Stated Meeting was wonderfully hosted by the folk at Lincoln Heritage who provided a first-class home-cooked meal.

Our opening worship sermon was presented by the Rev. Dr. J. Herbert Nelson who is the Director of our GA Washington Office. Dr. Nelson provided the inspiration for us all to be the prophetic voice of Christ in the world.

The debate on the amendments to our Book of Confessions and to our Book of Order was lengthy but 'decent and orderly'. The ballots for the marriage amendment and for the Belhar Confession confirmation were done with paper ballots. The other amendments were by show of hands. All amendments passed.

In other business:

* Craig Huffman, director at Calvin Crest Camp Conference and Retreat Center, reported on the progress of the new pool construction and encouraged participation in the summer camps, including being staff counselors.

* It was reported that the finances of the presbytery are fine...ending year 2014 with over \$20,000 in the black. The per capita amount for each church has remained the same. Since both Synod and General Assembly have raised their per capita, the presbytery capita has been reduced again to keep the total level for the churches.

TITHING MADE EASY

If you are like me, tithing always seemed like the right thing to do, but other competing financial needs and wants have been allowed to get in the way.

Here is a way we can literally have it all. With gas prices currently at a level not seen in a long time, in most cases a fill of the tank is approximately twenty dollars less as compared to a year ago. I would challenge each and everyone of us to just tithe two dollars each time you fill the tank. This seems like so little, but in reality with everyone doing little things, great things happen.

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P. Marsh, Fremont Stewardship Committee Moderator

- * Presbytery approved celebration of communion at installation and ordination services.
- * Katie Barret Todd was examined for ordination as Assistant Chaplain at Nebraska Wesleyan University.
- * Rev. Mason Todd was introduced as the new Associate Pastor at Lincoln Eastridge.
- * Presbytery concurred with the Hopewell congregation to close. A worship service celebrating their 141 years of witness and ministry will be held in the Spring.
- * People were elected to serve on committees of presbytery. Prayers of appreciation for the many volunteers from our churches that provide time, energy and dedication to the work of the whole church through this wider-church witness.
- * PW Moderator Joie Taylor shared the many activities of Homestead Presbytery Women.



Blessing Opportunity *2 Corinthians 9:7-8*



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