



Burnet Presbyterian Church

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Carl Spinner Memorial Scholarship Presentation

On Mother's Day, May 11, 2025, the Third Annual Carl Spinner Scholarships, were awarded to two of our flock.

BPC's scholarship program, according to local lore, began sometime prior to the year 2000 when Julie Z, Ashley Horn and Richard Spinner graduated from high school. Once all of our youth had graduated, for many years there was no need for a scholarship program. Then the grandchildren started coming and the program was resurrected, with graduating grandchildren of members having first dibs, or if none, graduating BCISD seniors attending a trade school.

Sadly, a little over 4 years ago, Carl Spinner passed suddenly. Carl's untimely passing opened up an opportunity for revival of the scholarship program. Now it has become a true celebration: we celebrate having known and worshiped with Carl and his family, by celebrating promising young graduates. The Carl Spinner Scholarship Program is funded totally by donation, not from the church Operating Budget.

So now, allow me to introduce you to our young graduates, Nancy Allen's granddaughters, Delphi Allen and Genevieve Allen.



Pat Collins awards the Carl Spinner Memorial Scholarships to Delphi and Genevieve Allen, granddaughters of Nancy Allen.

son Ryan and his wife Jamie. Delphi will graduate in June from Austin High where she is a proud member of the Academy of Classical Studies. During her senior year, Delphi was involved in an internship program with the company Coffeesock, which focuses on making sustainable, reusable products which are more respectful to the environment. She is looking to pursue a college degree in Environmental Studies with the ultimate vision to use her education to contribute to creating sustainable solutions which balance human development with ecological preservation.

Genevieve Allen is the daughter of Nancy's son Bryce and his wife Cassandra. Bryce is on call today but Mom Cassandra is here. Genevieve is an IB diploma candidate: International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme. The IB classes challenge students to engage critical thinking skills to look beyond straightforward solutions to

problems. Among accomplishments in this young life are Commended Scholar in the National Merit Scholarship Program, varsity tennis team, multiple academically focused UIL competitions and editor-in-chief of the school library magazine. Genevieve plans to attend UT Austin where she will be in Plan II honors program.

Of course, these are Nancy Allen's grand girls.

I will leave you with a message which we learned from Rev. Ken Peters. These are not Ken's words but he shared them with us:

"Love one another. . . and I'll handle the rest. ____ God!"

Thank you all and thank you, Spinner Family.

Submitted by Pat Collins

A SUNDAY TO REMEMBER

Our worship on Memorial Day Sunday began with a special Prelude This Is My Song sung by our choir led by Marsha Roberts and accompanied on the piano by John Roberts. We knew that we were going to experience a very special worship time and we were correct. From the Prelude through the hymns, scripture, anthem, message from Reverend Ken Peters, and special Memorial Day prayer, the service stirred our hearts and souls. The service concluded with John playing a beautiful rendition of Eternal Father, Strong to Save. Perfect!

After worship we adjourned to the Norris Building where we celebrated the 103rd Anniversary of the P.W. Birthday offering with a fabulous Pot Luck luncheon. The ladies of the church outdid themselves and provided a sumptuous meal topped off with a beautiful birthday cake baked by Linda Weaver.

The true meaning of the day was not lost as our generous congregation contributed



Nancy Allen delivered a special message on Mother's Day, titled "A Parent's Love."

\$1,158.00 to two special projects here in the United States. Our funds will go toward building a housing facility at Leland Presbyterian Church in Leland, Mississippi, which will serve as an emergency shelter and house volunteer groups who come for disaster recovery. The funds will also go towards building three dome homes in Pine Ridge, South Dakota as part of the Red Cloud Renewable Lakota Dome Home Project. The project provides not only homes, but jobs for those living in the area.

Last, but certainly not least, Alice Anglin officially welcomed Cindy Sharpnack, who is



one of our newer members, with gifts from the P.W. Cindy has been a wonderful addition to our church and she already serves as the treasurer of the P.W.! We are blessed.

Many thanks to all who came, brought wonderful food, and helped support the Birthday Offering. *Submitted by Janie Howell*

NEWS FROM LA CARE

On Saturday, June 21, the LA Care Food Bank will celebrate its 40th Anniversary with an Open House from 2-4 PM. Come by and check out all the improvements and changes made in the past few years. It's a great opportunity to see first hand the wonderful facility that LA Care calls home. Refreshments will be served.

In the interest of serving people in need more conveniently, a group of Bertram citizens has opened the Bertram Community Cupboard to serve those living in the 78603 zip code. The Cupboard opened on April 15 and will be open each Tuesday from 2-6 PM. If you live in Bertram and would like to support their effort, the address is 112 Grande St., Bertram. Donations of food, volunteers, or monetary support would be welcome.

Lottie McCorkle, the Director of LA Care, reported that the Hunger Alliance has been more active as the number of people needing food assistance has grown. The Alliance is now called Ark of Highland Lakes and their purpose is to bring the local food banks together to communicate their needs and make it easier for people to find food. Sharing ideas is always helpful! As always, the need is great and LA Care is so thankful for your faithful support.

Submitted by Janie Howell

PRAYING FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS

Working for organizations like Open Doors is very dangerous. This is what Daniel who recently celebrated 25 years as a Bible smuggler for Open Doors says: "I'm using my experience and skills to bring the Bible to persecuted believers in creative ways."

Daniel has spent the last 10 years bringing

G Cindy Sharpnack was officially welcomed to the Presbyterian Women by Alice Anglin.

continued protection. "God came through every time. Yes, every single time."

We can only imagine the bravery of people like Daniel. Let's be sure to keep them in our prayers! *Submitted by Janie Howell*

BPC Stated Session Meeting Minutes

APRIL 15, 2025

ELDERS: Class of 2025 Fred Shin; Class of 2026 Debbie Weems; Class of 2025, Jamie Horn; Class of 2027 Barry Dawson; Treasurer, Class of 2027 Pat Collins; Moderator: Rev. John Brantley; and Linda Weaver, Clerk of Session. A quorum was present. The meeting began at 5:13 pm.

OPENING PRAYER – Rev. John Brantley

AGENDA: Reviewed and duly approved by Session.

INTRODUCTION: None

SHARING OF CONCERNS OF CONGREGATION

AND DEVOTIONAL: Prayers for Linda and Bill Weaver and Cleo Dulls. Pat Collins gave the devotional titled, "Thy Will Be Done" from 1 Timothy 1-7. Our God is sovereign and we are doing God's work in God's church. Prayer is the greater work. Fred Shin will give the next devotional on May 20, 2025.

CLERKS REPORT: The Session minutes for February were approved with corrections on a motion from Jamie Horn, seconded by Debbie Weems. Minutes for March were approved with corrections on a motion from Debbie Weems, seconded by Pat Collins.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Pat Collins presented the Report indicating Contributions totaling

\$7,940 to the Bldg/Paint Fund; paid BPC Paint Invoice \$22,962 from Operating Fund. Will move \$7,940 to Operating Fund to offset paint invoice. February payroll taxes for Church Secretary due to new pay schedule Taxes Payable will be reported month they are paid to IRS. Salary for church secretary period 1-27 thru 2-27. Secretary and Custodian will now be paid the first of each month following month worked. Custodian paid for February and March, 2 months, \$2,110.00. **The Treasurer's Report was approved subject to review on a motion from Jamie Horn, seconded by Debbie Weems.**

MISSIONS: One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) will run from March 30 through April 20, Easter Sunday. Jamie Horn will present Minute for Mission Study Sunday March 30 and Sunday April 6, talking about OGHS. Brochures and envelopes will be included in church bulletins Sunday April 6. Donation OGHS Envelopes will be placed in pews Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS – Barry Dawson presented a letter from church member, Ron Petrick, requesting to relocate parts of the Sound and Streaming Hardware to a new location in Sanctuary at a cost less than \$100. **Session duly approved request.**

CONGREGATION CARE – Linda Weaver said Easter Luncheon would be held Easter Sunday following services and all were challenged to wear Easter Bonnets for a prize.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE – (Motion 1) The Stewardship Committee made a Motion to submit a Resolution to Edward Jones to open a Money Market Account:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the Session of Elders of Burnet Presbyterian Church, 101 South Pierce, Burnet, Texas, authorize signatories to operate the Church's account with Edward Jones.

Patricia Collins, Treasurer and BPC Trustee, and William Donald Weaver, BPC Trustee and to sign, make deposits, and conduct banking business on behalf of Burnet

Presbyterian Church with Edward Jones, Burnet, Texas, to open a Money Market Fund along with BPC EIN and Articles of Incorporation effective April 15, 2025.”
Session duly approved on April 15, 2025.

(Motion 2) The Stewardship Committee made a motion to submit a Resolution to New Covenant to close out account:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the Session of Elders of Burnet Presbyterian Church, 101 South Pierce, Burnet, Texas, designate Patricia Collins as Authorized Trader for New Covenant, Account Number 1057171(100029872) effective April 15, 2025. Patricia Collins replaces all other previously identified Authorized Traders for this New Covenant Account.”

Session duly approved on April 15, 2025.

(Motion 3) The Stewardship Committee made a motion to invest excess cash in Burnet Presbyterian Church, checking account with First State Bank to a Money Market Fund with Edward Jones, leaving \$25,000 minimum in checking account and to make a Resolution authorizing Treasurer to conduct the banking and transfer transaction.

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the Session of Elders of Burnet Presbyterian Church, 101 South Pierce, Burnet, Texas, authorize signatory: Pat Collins, Treasurer and BPC Trustee to transfer funds from BPC Checking Account with First State Bank and to sign, and conduct banking business on behalf of Burnet Presbyterian Church, 101 South Pierce, effective April 15, 2025.”

Motion was duly approved by Session on April 15, 2025.

The Stewardship Committee will determine amount of Funds to be placed in MMF once all funds are transferred.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - Pat Collins stated the deadline to submit essays for a BPC Spinner Scholarship is: May 1, 2025. Scholarship Committee will consider grandchildren of members who qualify and students from Burnet ISD. Total Funds in the Spinner Scholarship is

\$2,550. The amount of the scholarship will be determined on number of qualified applicants.

MUSIC AND WORSHIP COMMITTEE – Debbie Weems said Scott Nowach will conduct Maundy Thursday Communion. The Pulpit Supply for the next quarter will be submitted at the next meeting. The Lenten Bible Study Group has asked for the study to be continued. She also said they have new people coming. **Session duly authorized Lenten Study to continue.**

OLD BUSINESS: SILER TRUST – Session discussed protocol for Session to communicate with Church Attorney, Troy Voelker. Session agreed to have one liaison from Session, Fred Shin, to contact the attorney. **Session duly approved.** Session asked Fred to contact attorney and confirm our choices to present to Judge.

The choices are: First choice - if we are granted a Charity Trust, we would like to invest with First Financial Trust with a “no penalty clause”. Second choice – if we are granted Perpetual Endowment, we would like to invest Texas Presbyterian Foundation. **Session duly approved.**

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Rev. Brantley stated he will share St. Andrews Policies and Procedures once they are updated so we can use as a guideline for BPC.

2. BPW Birthday Luncheon is set for May 18.

Jamie Horn made a motion to approve, seconded by Pat Collins. Session duly approved.

3. Debbie Weems stated she is drafting a letter to give to Pulpit Supply on the YouTube Policy.

4. Session needs to create a job description for a part time Pastor.

The meeting adjourned at 6:47PM. Rev. Brantley closed the meeting with a prayer.

Burnet Presbyterian Women

May 12, 2025

Present: Karen Brock, Armour Shin, Nancy Harlow, Jane Zimmerman, Jamie Horn, Cleo Dulls, Mary Richmond, Peggy Hammond, Cissy Butler, Becky Buttery, Marilyn Petrick,

Alice Anglin, Kay Lambert, Pat Collins, Linda Weaver, and Janie Howell.

Sixteen women gathered in the Norris Building at 1 PM for fellowship and delicious cake and fresh, hot coffee prepared by Pat. At 1:30 Alice opened the meeting with prayer. Armour and Karen led our Bible Study which covered Acts, Chapters 21 through 26. In these chapters, Paul was on trial three different times and since Karen is a retired attorney, Armour asked her to help explain the trials. It was a most informative lesson.

Alice opened the business meeting with jocularly. In Cindy’s absence, Janie gave the treasurer’s report. The bank balance as of April 30 was \$2438.85. There was no correspondence.

We signed a card for Charlsie Bremer whose daughter, Kelli Bremer Pellerin, passed away on May 10. Linda moved and Armour seconded that we donate \$50.00 to the Carl Spinner Scholarship Fund in memory of Kelli. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS: The Bible Study Committee consisting of Armour, Cissy, and Pat recommended that we study the Book of Proverbs beginning in September. Details will be available next month.

We will host the Fellowship of Church Women on Thursday, May 29 at 2:00 PM. Darlene Denton will speak to the group about the Grandparent Support Group sponsored by BCISD. Cookies, iced tea and water will be served. Thank you to Jamie, Jane, Peggy, and Janie who will provide cookies.

NEW BUSINESS: Ginger Henderson from the PW at First Presbyterian in Lampasas has invited us to a Vacation Music Camp which will be held at their church June 9-13 from 9 to 12 each morning. Let Alice

know if you would like to attend. Marilyn will be representing our PW.

The PW Birthday Lunch will be Sunday, May 25 after worship. It will be a traditional pot luck with Linda making the birthday cake. The Birthday Offering will be split between Leland Presbyterian church in Mississippi and Red Cloud Renewable Lakota Dome Home Project in South Dakota. Please come to a wonderful lunch and support these two worthy causes.

The No Host Summer Lunch will be Monday, July 14 at Trailblazers on the Burnet Square beginning at 11:00. Alice has arranged for us to meet in the private dining room.

We will announce the Presbyterian Woman of the Year at the lunch. Mark your calendar!

During the ongoing file cabinet project, the ladies found the Emergency Forms that we used in the past. The purpose of the forms is to have a record of who to contact should one of us have an emergency. The form lists your name, address, and who to contact in an emergency. There is a space to provide the name of a neighbor who has a key to your home. These forms will be filed in our newly organized file cabinet at the church. If you are interested in filing out a form, please see Janie.

Marilyn reminded us that XLR8 located at 1002 N. Water Street (281N), Burnet, has the new and improved BPC logo which you can have put on a shirt that you bring to them or you can order a new shirt with the logo. The

cost will depend on what you decide. XLR8 is closed on Mondays.

There being no further business, Alice closed our meeting with our Friendship Circle and prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Janie Howell, Secretary

Church and YouTube Attendance May 2025

Date	Attendance	YouTube	Total
May 4	36	7	43
May 11	49	?	49
May 18	28	5	33

Everybody loved the awesome decorations, by Linda Weaver, and the delicious food provided by the ladies of the congregation at the PW Birthday Lunch.



Whoops!!

Sunday, May 11, and Monday, May 12, the door to the Norris Building/Fellowship Hall was found to be unlocked. Please make a conscious effort to remember to lock the door behind you, whether you are entering or leaving the building.

Thus far we have been lucky.

LACare Food Bank
Will be celebrating its
40th Anniversary with an
Open House on Saturday,
June 21, from 2:00-4:00 pm.
The public is invited to tour
the facilities and enjoy light
refreshments.

