



Burnet Presbyterian Church

Newsletter for July 2026

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BPC Session Meeting Minutes

June 7, 2026 at 12:16 p.m.

Present: Class of 2028 Ron Petrick; Class of 2027 Pat Collins; Class of 2026 Debbie Weems; Class of 2026 Karen Brock; Rev. Ken Peters, Moderator; Jane Zimmerman, Clerk of Session. A quorum was present.

Opening: Rev. Ken Peters, Moderator opened the meeting with a prayer and stated the purpose of the called meeting was to discuss painting the Fellowship and History Hall. Ron Petrick reviewed three quotes in a price range from \$2,850.00 to \$4,481.52. **Karen Brock moved and Ron Petrick seconded to accept the \$2,850 quote. Motion carried.** This quote from Rafaele Ramirez includes moving and replacing tables and chairs in the Fellowship Hall. Ron will coordinate these dates with the contractor's work calendar and dates already scheduled for the two locations.

Additional discussion included repairing the crack in the sanctuary ceiling, followed by painting the ceiling of the sanctuary. These two items are above the monies allocated for the Fellowship & History Halls project and require further research and discussion.

Moderator, Ken Peters closed the meeting with prayer. Meeting adjourned at 12:28 p.m.

Important Dates for July

July 5	Communion Service, 11:00 am
	Prayer Group every Monday at 10:30pm
July 11	Session Planning Mtg. 10:00 am
July 12	Country Oaks Service 2:00 pm
July 13	PW no host lunch 11:00 am
July 15	LACare Board Meeting, 8:45 am
July 21	Session Meeting, 5 pm
July 23	BB's Book Club Meeting 9:30am

BPC Session Meeting Minutes

June 16, 2026 at 4:58 p.m. Church Library

Present: Class of 2026 Debbie Weems; Class of 2027 Pat Collins; Class of 2027 Barry Dawson; Class of 2028 Ron Petrick; Rev. Ken Peters, Moderator; Jane Zimmerman, Clerk of Session. A quorum was present.

Opening: Rev. Ken Peters, Moderator opened the meeting with a prayer. **Pat Collins moved, Ron Petrick seconded a motion to approve the agenda for the meeting as presented. Motion passed.** **Sharing of Concerns of congregation and devotional:** Prayer concerns for the Congregation including Kay Lambert, Linda and Bill Weaver, Janie Howell. Debbie Weems gave the devotional based on Hebrews 13:2. Ron Petrick will have the devotional at the July meeting.

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the May 19, 2026 Stated Session meeting were approved by email and sent to the church office for the June

newsletter. The June 7, 2026 Called Session meeting were approved via email and sent to the church office for the July newsletter.

Clerk of Session report: Notable dates

Stated Session Meeting 5/19/26

Moderated by Rev. Ken Peters

Ministerial Alliance meeting 5/19/26

attended by Rev. Ken Peters

Called Session Meeting 6/7/26,

Moderated by Rev. Ken Peters

Communion served 6/7/26

by Rev. Ken Peters

Country Oaks Assisted Living devotional led by Nancy Allen, Communion served by

Rev. Dick Spinner 6/14/26

Ministerial Alliance report: Ken Peters attended meeting 6/16/26 and reported the Catholic Church will be getting a new priest and First Baptist Church a new pastor.

Treasurer's Report: Pat Collins gave the May 2026 financial report. Pat reported that she moved \$26,000 from First State Bank to Edward Jones. Geniveve Allen, one of the Scholarship recipients from last year finally got her student enrollment number and the address for her enrollment this fall at The University of Texas. Her money will be sent this week. **Debbie Weems moved, Ron Petrick seconded to approve the financial report. Motion passed. Treasurer will submit report to the church office for the July newsletter.**

Building and Grounds: Repairs have been made to correct the leak in the history hallway. No water was detected during the last hard rainfall. Lots of fertilizer was added to the lawn.

Christian Education: Pat Collins reported this year's scholarship recipients Lily Allen (Blinn), Abigail Gatlin (Baldwin Cosmetology School) and Clayton Hunt (Austin Community College) will be recognized during church service on June 21. Clayton's scholarship is unique in that his tuition is free because of his location. He will be submitting receipts for books and lab fees up to \$1,000.

Congregational Care: Debbie Weems reported plans for the PW Birthday luncheon on June 28th. Also, during the luncheon, the Kitchen Remodel Committee will be recognized.

Evangelism/Mission: Pat Collins reported that the Monday Prayer Warriors will continue prayers for the BCISD Meet the Teacher breakfast and all teachers involved; and PW will continue the Grandparent Support Group and the Christian Women's Job Corp lunches.

Nominating: Committee composed of Cary West, Jane Zimmerman, and Barry Dawson. No report.

Personnel: Pat Collins reported that the church secretary is learning the duties of the position and doing well.

Stewardship: Ron Petrick reported from the last meeting of the Stewardship Committee a CD coming due June and recommended that it be moved to Edward Jones Investment Account Money Market. Discussion of the handling of memorial contributions. When a donation is designated for a particular purpose, it is typically used within a few months. At this time, there is no written procedure in place. Funds listed under Memorial Fund in the Treasurer's report are

undesigned and are administered by the Stewardship Committee with Session approval. Stewardship Committee will take the lead on developing a formal written procedure for receiving, recording, acknowledging, and administering Memorial Gifts.

Worship and Music: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. 2026 Kitchen Project update-Ron reported kitchen work is done. The fellowship hall and history hall will be painted June 17 & 18. **Barry Dawson moved and Ron Petrick seconded a motion to accept the bid from Rafael Ramirez for repair and painting of the ceiling in the sanctuary. Motion passed.**

NEW BUSINESS:

1. After a discussion concerning the offertory, **Barry Dawson moved and Pat Collins seconded that there will be no age limit for ones assisting with the offertory. Motion passed.**

2. **Ron Petrick moved and Debbie Weems seconded to remove the heavy wide doors from each side of the dining room in the old kitchen. Motion passed.**

3. Rev. Ken Peters mentioned having a Session workshop to discuss year end plans and options for his contract. It will be July 11, 2026, in the Fellowship Hall 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, July 21, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. Moderator, Ken Peters closed the meeting with prayer. **Motion by Debbie Weems that meeting adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted, Jane Zimmerman

Burnet Presbyterian Women

June 8, 2026

Present: Armour Shin, Nancy Allen, Nancy Harlow, Becky Buttery, Marilyn Petrick, Peggy Hammond, Helen Tanner, Jane Zimmerman, Mary Richmond, Alice Gray Serralta, Cindy Sharpnack, Karen Brock, Alice Anglin, and Janie Howell.

Fourteen women gathered in the fabulous, remodeled Norris Building for the monthly PW Meeting at 1 PM for fellowship.

Wonderful refreshments were provided by Nancy Allen and Jane Zimmerman provided fresh coffee.

Alice opened the meeting at 1:30 PM with prayer. Armour led us in our final chapter of Proverbs which covered advice to King Lemuel from his mother, and the Biblical definition of a virtuous wife. The discussion was very thoughtful and thought-provoking. Alice thanked Armour for her leadership as we studied Proverbs this year.

Alice opened the business meeting with jocularly. Cindy reported that the balance in our account as of May 31, 2026, was \$1543.39 which includes \$400.00 already received for the PW Birthday Offering. Correspondence included an email from Jane Zimmerman to let us know that she shipped two boxes of items to Project Cure on May 26 as follows:

24 hospital gowns and 4 flat sheets	\$29.75
24 hospital gowns	<u>\$21.20</u>
Total	\$50.95

Alice received an email from Ginger Henderson, our Hill Country Cluster leader, with a **Save the Date for Saturday, November 7 when First Presbyterian in**

Kerrville will host the Fall Gathering which will include lunch.

Details will follow as we get closer to the date.

Alice received an email from Billy Don Weaver regarding the Burnet Back to School Welcome Breakfast on August 7. BPC has had a table at this event for 2 years, but we are questioning if our time and resources would serve us better elsewhere. No decision was made.

Old Business: Alice announced that BPC Christian Education will provide our Bible study materials for the 2026-27 study, Jesus the King by Timothy Keller.

PW Birthday Lunch and offering will be Sunday, June 28 after worship. Please plan on bringing your favorite dish as we have our first meal in our beautiful, new Norris Building.

New Business: Our Annual No-Host Summer Lunch will be on Monday, July 13, at Trailblazer's Restaurant on the Burnet Square beginning at 11 AM.

Ron Petrick asked the ladies to select their choice for the wall color in the Norris Building from the paint chart provided before they left the meeting.

Last month, the suggestion was made from the Bible Study committee to change PW yearly meetings and lessons from 9 months to 8 months. Since Pat and Cissy, members of the committee, were not present at this meeting, we tabled the decision.

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

Respectfully submitted, Janie Howell, Secretary

The BB's Read Again

July 23, 2026 9:30 am

The Frozen River is a novel written by New York Times bestselling author Ariel Lawhon. It appears to be another excellent choice for reading in Texas-hot July! As a NYT best-selling author of **I was Anastasia**, Ariel is known for sticking to historical fact and for writing biographical fiction. However, **The Frozen River** deviates from her record; this book is inspired by real events as opposed to being based on them. The story takes place in Maine, 1789, when the Kennebec River freezes, entombing a man in the ice. Local resident Martha Ballard, a midwife and healer, is summoned to examine the body and determine cause of death. Months earlier, Martha documented details of an alleged rape committed by two of the town's most respected "gentlemen"—one of whom is now the dead man on ice. When a local physician undermines her conclusion as to cause of death by declaring the death to be an accident rather than murder, Martha is forced to investigate the shocking murder on her own. Clever, layered, and subversive, Ariel Lawhon's newest offering introduces an unsung heroine who refused to accept anything less than justice at a time when women were considered best seen and not heard.

The Frozen River is a thrilling tense, and tender story about a remarkable woman who left an unparalleled legacy yet remains nearly forgotten to this day.

Hope to see you July 23, 9:30 am, for coffee, breakfast and lots of discussion. All are welcomed in the newly renovated Hall of Fellowship.

Kitchen-Fellowship Hall Renovation Committee

This congregation seems to continue to receive blessings. This blessing came in the way of the kitchen renovation in Fellowship Hall. And what a reno it turned out to be! Total cost should hit just under \$50,000. Private contributions paid for \$34,500 of the cost; the rest came from the church budget. We have a beautiful oven at counter height, a to-die-for refrigerator, tons of storage and flip up power outlets along the 17' buffet. But the best addition is the Garbage Disposal! During planning, the need for a dishwasher was soundly rejected; now we have plenty of space for dish washers to move about.

Many thanks to the private donors, without whom this project would likely have never happened. Many, many, many thanks to Ron Petrick who led this project. Committee members are Linda Weaver, Nancy Harlow, Kathy Frankum and Pat Collins. Marilyn Petrick and Nancy Allen helped paint the old cabinets. The ladies who thoughtfully organized all the kitchen stuff, gave a hard-working day so that the kitchen functions. Don't you know the Norris Family would be so pleased (maybe shocked) at the change in this room. It is so functional. It looks like the Hall of Fellowship.



Pictured from left to right: Marilyn Petrick, Nancy Allen, Nancy Harlow, Zane Zimmerman and Alice Anglin as they take a break from cleaning up the renovated kitchen area of the church.



*Pictured from left to right:
Ron Petrick; Linda Weaver; Pat Collins and Nancy Harlow.*



Kitchen Before

Kitchen



Kitchen After

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN SUMMER LUNCH

Be sure to mark your calendar for the PW No-Host Summer Lunch which will be held on Monday, July 13, at Trailblazer Grille on the Burnet Square beginning at 11:00 AM. In addition to the fun and fellowship of being together for a good meal, we will be announcing the PW Lifetime Member for 2026. If that WERE NOT enough excitement, we will also honor our Eighties Ladies – ladies who did turn or will turn 80 this year. If you registered with Alice that you are coming, please do so today. See you then!

Submitted by Janie Howell

Congratulations to our Scholarship Award Winners

Two students were awarded scholarships for continuing education. During worship services on June 21st, 2026, Pat Collins presented the recipients with awards. Clayton “Bubba” Hunt expressed his appreciation to the Burnet Presbyterian church for the \$1,000 scholarship, mentioning how much he has enjoyed visiting our church with his grandparents.

“There will always be a place in my heart for Burnet Presbyterian.”



Pictured from left to right: Pat Collins, Genevieve Allen and Clayton “Bubba” Hunt.

NEWS FROM LA CARE FOOD PANTRY

At the June 23 meeting of the Burnet City Council, Lottie McCorkle, Director of LACare, gave a presentation regarding the operation of LA Care. She also thanked the Council for their substantial financial contribution to the LA Care monthly electric bill which is quite high due to the many refrigerators and freezers. Volunteers from LA Care were in attendance to support Lottie and lend their thanks to the City Council.

During the month of July, the ANDY Trailer sponsored by the ARK of Highland Lakes will be parked at Our Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church parking lot every Monday. The purpose of the Trailer is to ensure that families are not overlooked in hard times. In addition to providing hot meals and supplies, a message of love and help is also given. If you or someone you know could benefit by visiting the ANDY Trailer, please watch the paper or check their website for the time the Trailer will be at Our Mother of Sorrows during the month of July.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Submitted by Janie Howell