

1. Information: TE Dave Saville comes as a transfer candidate from James River Presbytery, where he is a member in good standing. He is being called as Associate Pastor by Westtown Church in Tampa. He was examined according to BCO 13-6.

Actions from Committee - M/S/C:

- To sustain his exam in Christian experience and Call to Ministry
- To sustain his exam in Theology
- To sustain his exam in Sacraments
- To sustain his exam in Church Government
- To approve his exceptions to our Standards, judging them to be more than semantic, but not striking at the vitals of our system of doctrine.
- To accept the terms of his call from Westtown Church

Exceptions:

1. WCF 21:8: "...observe an holy rest, all the day, from their own works, words, and thoughts about their worldly employments and recreations..."; WCF 117: "...even from such worldly employments and recreations as are on other days lawful..."

Where I understand the proper focus of the Sabbath to be on worship and rest, I believe this can allow for recreation. I do not see play as antithetical to rest.

2. WLC 109: "...making any representation of God, of all or of any of the three persons, either inwardly in our mind, or outwardly in any kind of image or likeness..."

I believe it is acceptable to have a mental image of Jesus "inwardly in our mind," particularly when reading Gospel accounts of his activities. Additionally, I believe it is acceptable to have outward likenesses of him, particularly for educational purposes for children.

2. Information: TE Tom Luchenbill comes as a transfer candidate from Central Illiana Presbytery, where is a member in good standing. He is being called as Assistant Pastor by Cypress Ridge Presbyterian Church in Winter Haven. He was examined according to BCO 13-6.

Actions from Committee - M/S/C:

- To sustain his exam in Christian experience and Call to Ministry
- To sustain his exam in Theology
- To sustain his exam in Sacraments
- To sustain his exam in Church Government
- To approve his exceptions to our Standards, judging them to be more than semantic, but not striking at the vitals of our system of doctrine.
- To accept the terms of his call from Cypress Ridge Presbyterian Church.

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Exceptions:

WCF 21.8

1. "... after a due preparing of their hearts, and ordering of their common affairs beforehand, ..." I believe this to be a wise practice, but do not see the requirement for this at Ex. 20:8-11 or Deut. 5:12-15.
2. "... recreation, but also are taken up, the whole time, ..." Recreation can take on many forms. Recreational activities that would distract us from honoring God I believe are inappropriate, such as competing in league events. On the other hand, some form of what some may call recreation I believe is acceptable, activities like going for a casual walk or bike ride, playing catch, etc.

3. Information: James Nichols comes as a candidate for ordination. He is a licentiate in SWFL Presbytery in good standing. He is being called as Associate Pastor of Tampa Bay Presbyterian Church. He was examined in accordance with BCO 21-4.

Actions from Committee - M/S/C:

- To sustain his exam in Church History.
- To sustain his exam in Sacraments
- To accept his exegetical and theological papers
- To accept the terms of call from Tampa Bay Presbyterian Church

4. Information: The examining committee met with a candidate for Senior Pastor at Cornerstone Church in Lakewood Ranch. After examining him with respect to his views in a few theological matters from his theological conviction statement, we cannot recommend him to appear on the floor of Presbytery for examination. The Session of Cornerstone has the prerogative to present him to be examined, at which time the committee would conduct an ordination examination on behalf of the Presbytery.

Please see attachments for each candidate's Personal Information Form, Theological Conviction Statements, along with any exceptions to our Standards. Call letters, if applicable, are also attached.

Respectfully submitted -

TE Jonathan Winfree