

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
OLD STONE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2023**

The Session of the Old Stone Presbyterian Church call and held a Congregational Meeting following morning worship on Sunday, May 7, 2023. The purpose of the meeting was to hear the report of the PNC (Pastor Nominating Committee) regarding the candidate they are presenting to serve as the 17th Installed Pastor of Old Stone. Prior to the meeting, the Rev. Julie Olt had offered the sermon and had assisted in serving the Lord's Supper during worship.

The meeting was called to order and opened with prayer by Rev. Jeff Binder, Moderator/Interim Pastor. The clerk declared that a quorum was in attendance. Rev. Binder then welcomed Judge Jim Rowe, moderator of the PNC, who formally introduced Rev. Olt and her husband, Rev. Schuyler "Sky" Olt. Rowe then asked each member of the PNC to explain their thoughts as to why Rev. Olt was a perfect fit to Old Stone.

Each member of the PNC was then asked to explain their thoughts as to why Rev. Olt will be a good/perfect fit to Old Stone. These thoughts included:

- Thanks for the opportunity to serve on the PNC;
- Many sermons were listened to by the committee during this process;
- "What you see is what you get" when it comes to Rev. Olt;
- She leads with God's direction;
- Julie is meant to be here at Old Stone;
- This is a "unique" process, that I didn't expect;
- The process was like a "dating website";
- Rev. Olt came to us as a self-referral, after having seen Old Stone's M.I.F. on the CLC website.

Rev. Binder thanked the PNC for their work throughout the process. Judge Rowe then gave a brief review of the "process" that the PNC had gone through, which began with the congregation meeting to conduct the Mission Study which was used to complete the M.I.F. (Ministry Information Form) which is submitted to Presbytery for approval and then is used to match the church's needs/requirements with P.I.F.'s (Pastor Information Forms) on the PC(USA) website for matching candidates with churches. Judge Rowe also stated that the PNC had reviewed 150 P.I.F.'s, with one-third of them being women. He also reported that the PNC had met at least 35 times.

The Terms of Call were then presented, on the monitor that was moved into the sanctuary. Judge Rowe explained each part of the Call.

A motion was made and seconded to extend a Call to Rev. Olt and to accept the Terms of Call as presented by the PNC. The floor was then opened for questions. During this time, one of the members of the PNC stated that they felt that one of Rev. Olt's strongest attributes is "connecting with people". One of the first questions that Rev. Olt asked the PNC was "what does Old Stone do in the community?".

The congregation was reminded that at this time, all of the actions taking place today are to be kept confidential, as Julie and Sky both need to meet with their respective Session's to announce they are leaving.

At this point, a member of the congregation "called for question" and a voice vote was taken to accept Rev. Julie Olt as the next installed pastor for Old Stone Presbyterian Church and to accept the Terms of Call as presented by the PNC – the motion was APPROVED. Rev. Olt's first Sunday in the pulpit at OSPC will be June 18, 2023.

Following the vote, when Julie and Sky returned to the sanctuary, they were officially welcomed into the fellowship of Old Stone Presbyterian Church. The meeting was then closed with prayer by Rev. Binder and all in attendance were welcomed to join in a time of fellowship on the porch of the Education Building.

Clerk of the Session

Moderator

Date Signed and Approved