

**Eastminster Presbyterian Church  
Wichita, KS  
Special Meeting of the Congregation  
October 23, 2011  
Sanctuary  
11:45 AM**

A quorum being present and the call of the meeting having been duly made in accordance with the Book of Order and the By-laws of Eastminster Presbyterian Church, the meeting of the congregation was called to order by Rev. Kermit Opprieht, Moderator, who opened with prayer.

Rev. Opprieht stated the meeting was for the congregation to act on the following:

1. Sessions recommendation to disaffiliate with the Presbyterian Church (USA).
2. Sessions recommendation to affiliate with the Evangelical Presbyterian Church.
3. Sessions recommendation to amend the Articles of Incorporation.
4. Sessions recommendation to amend the By-laws.

Rev. Jay Ayers, Temporary Administrator of the Presbytery of Southern Kansas was invited to speak on behalf of the Presbytery.

Elder Barry Blades, on behalf of the Session made the following motion:

That Eastminster Presbyterian Church hereby disaffiliate from the denomination known as The Presbyterian Church (USA), such termination of affiliation to be effective upon notification by session to the Presbytery of Southern Kansas as soon as possible following adjournment of the October 23, 2011 congregational meeting.

Voting was conducted by written ballot with the following results:

Of the 677 voting 657 voted Yes and 20 voted No. The motion passed by a 97% margin.

Elder Barry Blades, on behalf of the Session made the following motion:

That Eastminster Presbyterian Church shall become affiliated with the denomination known as the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC) as soon as possible following notification to the Presbytery of Southern Kansas of Eastminster's decision to disaffiliate from the PC(USA). Session is authorized to take any actions deemed necessary to provide continuity of pastoral services, ministry and missions programs during the transition period until Eastminster becomes officially affiliated with the Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

Voting was conducted by written ballot with the following results:

Of the 661 voting 647 voted Yes and 14 voted No. The motion passed by a 97.9% margin.

The Congregational meeting was suspended.

Elder Roger Lowe president of the Eastminster Corporation called the meeting of the Corporation to order and opened with prayer.

Elder Barry Blades, on behalf of the Trustees moved that the Articles of Incorporation be amended to reflect the changes approved by the Congregation. Motion passed by voice vote.

Meeting of the Corporation was adjourned.

The Congregational meeting was reconvened.

Elder Barry Blades, on behalf of the Session moved that the By-laws be amended to reflect the changes approved by the Congregation. Motion passed by voice vote.

There being no further amendments a motion was made and passed to adopt the Revised By-Laws. There being no further business to come before the body, Rev. Kermit Opprecht closed the meeting with prayer at 12:00 p.m.

Jack Kirkham  
Clerk of Congregation

Rev. Kermit Opprecht  
Moderator of the Congregation