

## ADDENDUM ITEM

### for the Stated Meeting of February 4, 2023

#### **Motion for consideration for Flint River Presbytery, February 4, 2023**

Whereas The elders and members of Edgewood Presbyterian Church in Columbus have been considering the future of our church for almost 2 years by:

- Meeting together in retreat settings and session meetings,
- Enlisting the help of the Presbyterian Foundation to analyze available information on our membership, stewardship, and facility, and to assist us as we consider future possibilities,
- The Session reading *Sailboat Church* and engaging in 40 days of prayer,
- The congregation participating in 40 days of prayer during Lent 2022,
- Meetings with the congregation to keep them informed and get feedback,
- Conversations with other PC(USA) churches in Columbus to see if there was interest in merging,
- Visits to 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian and St. Matthew Evangelical Lutheran Church to evaluate accommodations for us to nest there,
- Visit to a smaller church campus which is for sale in our neighborhood,
- Meetings with director of Midtown Columbus and 3 realtors to get information,
- Hours of prayer, personal discernment, and group discussions regarding our future,

The Edgewood session plans to step out in faith, giving the Holy Spirit a new way to show us possibilities God has for us.

#### **The Motion:**

**To allow Edgewood Presbyterian Church to sell the church property and relocate our congregation to another place.**