# The Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of the Coastlands

September 27, 2022



via Zoom Videoconference

#### **AGENDA**

6:30 pm	Call to Order, Land Acknowledgement & Opening Prayer	Rev. Wendi Werner, Moderator of Presbytery
6:33 pm	Declaration of a Quorum  Adoption of Enabling Motion & Standing Rules for an Electronic Meeting Welcome of Visitors & First Time Commissioners Seating of Corresponding Members	
6:40 pm	Worship	
7:10 pm	Adoption of the Agenda	Rev. Wendi Werner, Gap Council (GC) Moderator
7:15 pm	Communications and Consent Agenda	Rev. David Torrey
7:20 pm	Report from the Presbytery Leader and Stated Clerk Search Committees	
7:25 pm	Report of the Board of Trustees	Rev. Fred Garry, Moderator
7:30 pm	Report of the Presbytery Leader Consultant	
7:35 pm	Report of the Acting Stated Clerk	Rev. David Torrey
7:40 pm	*Report of the Gap Council	Rev. Wendi Werner, GC Moderator
7:45 pm	<ul> <li>Reports of Administrative Commissions</li> <li>*Lakewood First Presbyterian Church Administrative Commission</li> <li>*Middlesex Presbyterian Church Administrative Commission</li> </ul>	
7:50 pm	Report of the Committee on Representation	Elder Kathy Ramsey, Moderator
8:00 pm	Report of the Commission on Ministry  Examination for Ordination of Candidate Emily Wilkes	
8:25 pm	Announcement about Mission Visioning Process	
8:30 pm	Adjournment with Prayer	

<sup>\*</sup> indicates item included in Consent Agenda

The next Stated Meeting of Coastlands Presbytery Will Be Held

Tuesday, November 22, 2022

beginning at 6:30 pm

#### **ENABLING MOTION & PROCEDURES FOR ELECTRONIC MEETING**

**MOTION:** That for the purpose of this electronic meeting, the Presbytery of Coastlands approve these special rules of order and suspend any standing rules that interfere with them:

- a. All information about this meeting of the Presbytery is available through the Commissioner's Handbook (previously distributed), and access for voting participants, will be through Zoom.
- b. Online meeting service availability shall begin at least fifteen minutes before the start of the meeting.
- c. The presence of a quorum shall be established by sign-in to Zoom at the beginning of the meeting. Thereafter, the continued presence of a quorum shall be determined by the online list of participating members.
- d. While every effort will be made to provide stable access to the platforms, each member is responsible for his or her audio and internet connections; no action shall be invalidated on the grounds that the loss of, or poor quality of, a member's individual connection prevented participation in the meeting.
- e. In order to be enrolled as participants with voice and/or vote, Commissioners, Minister Members, and Corresponding Members must register through the Presbytery office for the meeting.

#### SIMPLIFIED SPECIAL RULES OF ORDER AND STANDING RULES

For Electronic Meetings Using Video-conferencing Technology

The Following Special and Standing Rules are applicable to meetings of Coastlands Presbytery when holding meetings utilizing video-conferencing electronic meeting technology:

- 1. All meetings are recorded.
- 2. Unless the meeting is an otherwise in person meeting to which one or more participants are joined electronically, participants are expected to join the meeting on individual devices (one person, one device). Should joining on individual devices not be possible, participants may make arrangements to join the meeting as a group.
- 3. Participants are encouraged to join the meeting on a desktop or laptop computer. The following are requirements for such computers:
  - a. High speed internet access.
  - b. Sound output device. While speakers are allowed, this will preferably be a headset, earbuds, or Bluetooth device that delivers the sound directly to the participant's ear rather than into an open room; except for group gatherings.
  - c. A microphone device other than a built-in microphone.
  - d. A webcam (preferred, but optional).
- 4. If joining by computer is not possible, a tablet may be used, using the video-conferencing app, available from the device's app store. Regarding audio/visual devices, the same requirements and preferences exist as for computers.
- 5. Only if joining by one or the other of the above options is <u>impossible</u>, participants may dial into the meeting using either a traditional or cellular phone. However, dial-in instructions will not be provided unless requested ahead of the meeting.
- 6. Upon entering the meeting, those on computers or smart devices will click on the word "participants" and then click on the word "chat" at the bottom of their screens to see a participant chat.

- a. On entering, please enter in the chat, your name, and your church or validated ministry or your HR status.
- b. Once "checked-in" to the meeting, microphones will be muted by default.
- c. To gain recognition, the preferred method is to use the 'Raise Hand' but function under the 'Reactions' panel.
- d. When called upon by the Moderator, they should unmute their microphones and, if their video feed is turned off, they may click on the camera icon to turn on their webcams.
- 7. Those entering the meeting via a traditional phone call will enter "\*9" on their keypads, which activates the "raise hand" beside their phone number which is displayed in the participant list. When a host calls out their phone number, they will identify themselves by stating their full name.
- 8. The staff will be renaming guests. 'ZV-' will be placed at the beginning of your name if you have voice and no vote. 'Z-' will be placed at the beginning of your name if you do not have voice or vote. Please do not remove the ZV- or Z- from your name.
- 9. The "chat" feature will be used for seeking recognition. Participants will only be able to chat with meeting host(s) or the Tech Human.
  - a. Please only chat with Moderator for that purpose. The Tech Human is responsible for acknowledging chats.
  - b. If an individual has a Zoom technical question or difficulty, they may private chat with the Tech Human.
  - c. When multiple participants are seeking recognition, once the Moderator has called on someone, all other participants will be handled as the Moderator deems appropriate.
  - d. If you have an "interrupting motion" (a point of order, a request for preference in recognition, etc.), chat again after it has been acknowledged by a host. Please send the chat message in ALL CAPS like "MR/MADAM CHAIR!" and use the 'Raise Hand' function.
  - e. At all times participants are expected to be respectful in the chat.
- 10. If you have a motion to make other than a procedural motion, the motion should be entered in writing into the participant "chat," then sent to the Moderator, after which you should seek recognition. When called upon, you should move it, and once a second is received via chat (like "Second"), the host(s) will put the motion up in the screen share feature for everyone to see, and then discussion/voting may follow.
- 11. If you want to speak to a motion, raise your zoom participant hand (found when clicking on the Reactions button), and wait for the moderator to recognize you. You will be prompted to unmute yourself. Please make sure your video is on if you wish to speak.
- 12. The moderator will repeat the motion prior to the vote.
- 13. Votes will be taken using the green checkmark ✓ and the red '✗' in the Reactions button. The green checkmark ✓ indicates you vote 'yes', the red '✗' indicates you vote 'no'. If visitors vote (renamed with Z or ZV) that vote will not be counted.
- 14. A vote by means of "raised hand" (or yes/no /x) is a "division," not a "counted vote" meaning that the chair will quickly scroll through the list of participants for a sense of how many have voted first in favor, and then against the motion, and rule which side has it. If the chair is uncertain, he or she may order a counted vote or a member may move that a counted vote be taken (a motion for a counted vote must be seconded, is not debatable, and requires a majority vote).

#### COMMUNICATIONS AND CONSENT AGENDA

For September 27, 2022 Stated Meeting of Presbytery

The following communications have been received since the last meeting of Presbytery. Any actions recommended are indicated in **bold type.** Any particular item may be moved from the Consent Agenda for individual consideration.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

- 1. Received communications from the Church Leadership Connection of Minister member Personal Information Forms requiring attestation or re-attestation.
- 2. Received a communication from Margaret Hall Boone, Project Manager Special Offerings and Appeals reporting special offerings contributions from congregations in the Presbytery. Report is included in the Handbook.
- 3. Received a communication from Douglas J. Haefner, Director of NJRC Faith-Based Initiatives for the New Jersey Reentry Corporation about an upcoming conference, A Call To Action, at Kean University on Monday October 24, 2022 from 9am until 4pm. Keynote Speaker is Fr. Gregory Boyle S.J. the founder of Homeboy Industries in Los Angeles.
- 4. Received a communication from Church Leadership Connection about the importance of updating Ministry Information Forms and Personal Information Forms to reflect the changed Presbytery name. More information can be found on the Presbytery website.
- 5. Received a communication from the Transitional Ministry Educational Consortium (TMEC) about an upcoming Week 1 and Week 2 concurrent training event at Princeton Theological Seminary on October 2-7. Use this link for more information: https://www.ptsem.edu/events/art-of-transitional-ministry
- 6. Received a communication from Presbyterian Mission Engagement and Support with the Quarterly Resource Preview. Use this link for more information: https://www.pcusa.org/qrp/
- 7. Received a communication from the congregations of First Presbyterian Church of Iselin and Oak Tree Presbyterian Church through the Commission on Ministry, requesting that Presbytery provide assistance and guidance in the proposed merger of the two congregations.
- 8. Received a letter of resignation from the Permanent Judicial Commission for Rev. Dr. Gary W. Filson which he requested to be read into the minutes.

#### **CONSENT ITEMS FOR APPROVAL:**

- 1. **MOTION:** That the above communications be received as information.
- 2. BOT Board of Trustees
  - **A. MOTION:** That the report of the Board of Trustees, as found in the handbook, be received as information.
- 3. GC Gap Council
  - A. MOTION: That the minutes of the Gap Council, as found in the handbook, be received as information
  - **B. MOTION:** That the minutes of the June 28, 2022 Stated Meeting of Presbytery, as found in the handbook, be approved as presented.

#### 4. AC - Administrative Commissions

**A. MOTION:** That the report(s) of the Administrative Commission(s), as found in the handbook, be received as information.

#### 5. GA – General Assembly Commissioners

**A. MOTION:** That the report(s) of the General Assembly Commissioners, as found in the handbook, be received as information.

#### 6. COM - Commission on Ministry

**A. MOTION:** That the report of the Commission on Ministry, as found in the handbook, be received as information.

#### 7. CPM - Commission on Preparation for Ministry

- **A. MOTION:** That the report of the Committee on Preparation for Ministry, as found in the handbook, be received as information.
- **8. MOTION:** That the report of the Presbytery's attendance figures found in the Minutes of the June 28, 2022 Stated Meeting be received as information.

The Reverend Dr. Gary W. Filson 661 Meadow Road Irwin, PA 15642 732-822-4699

September 20, 2022

The Reverend Dr. David A. Torrey
Office of the Stated Clerk
The Presbytery of the Coastlands
New Jersey

Dear Dr. Torrey:

On January 31, 2022, I retired from my pastorate in Jamesburg, NJ and in March 2022, I moved to Irwin, PA. I recently began the intentional process of transferring my Presbytery membership to Redstone Presbytery. I have come to that point where I need to resign my membership on the Presbytery's Permanent Judicial Commission and as its Clerk. This resignation shall be effective on Tuesday, September 27, 2022.

It has been my greatest joy and an honor to serve the Presbytery of Monmouth and now the Presbytery of the Coastlands over the past 36 years. During my tenure, I worked with wonderfully talented and committed colleagues and my ministry was significantly enriched by that experience. As I anticipate a new chapter in my life, I pray for God's continued blessings for all of you in the Presbytery of the Coastlands. Thank you for your friendship and partnership over the years.

Most Sincerely,

The Reverend Dr. Gary W. Filson





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#### IF WE ALL DO A LITTLE, IT ADDS UP TO A LOT!

4756 Brick Presbyterian Church 111 Drum Point Rd. Brick NJ 08723

Your congregation		Natio	onally
2021	2022	2021	2022
(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit,

Christmas Joy Offering	\$760.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$1,135.82	\$1,620.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$212.50	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$5,500.00	1

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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7810	Your con	gregation	Natio	onally
Community Presbyterian Church 75 Glenville Rd.	2021	2022	2021	2022
Edison NJ 08817	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	\$1,075.41	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 <sup>*</sup>	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$1,300.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

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#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation 0

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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11893	Your con	Your congregation Nationally		
Cornerstone Presbyterian Church 569 Harmony Rd.	2021	2022	2021	2022
Jackson NJ 08527	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$880.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$700.00	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

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#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation 0

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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15199	Your con	gregation	Natio	onally
Ewing Covenant Presbyterian Church 100 Scotch Rd.	2021	2022	2021	2022
Ewing NJ 08628	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$2,287.50	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$3,570.00	\$1,901.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$1,229.50	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 <sup>*</sup>
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

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#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$35.00	1
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$25.00	1

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4653 First Presbyterian Church 621 E. Woodbridge Ave. Avenel NJ 07001-1530

Your congregation		Natio	onally
2021	2022	2021	2022
(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subiect to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 <sup>*</sup>
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

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#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4769 First Presbyterian Church 22 S. Main St. Cranbury NJ 08512

Your congregation		Natio	onally	
	2021	2022	2021	2022
	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$2,552.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$1,549.87	\$1,445.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$180.01	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 <sup>*</sup>
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

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#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

# Funds to be remitted to your congregation after 2022 books close

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00



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4696 First Presbyterian Church P. O. Box 126 Fords NJ 08863

Your congregation		Natio	onally	
	2021	2022	2021	2022
	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$155.00	\$230.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

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Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4776 First Presbyterian Church 118 W. Main St. Freehold NJ 07728-2050

Your congregation		Natio	onally	
	2021	2022	2021	2022
(	end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$1,013.00	\$2,169.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

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#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$100.00	1
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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Your congregation **Nationally** 4923 First Presbyterian Church 2021 2022 2021 2022 3550 Nottingham Way (end of year) (as of 6/30/22 (end of year) (as of 6/30/22 Hamilton Square NJ 08690 preliminary, preliminary, subject to audit) subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$1,835.00	\$1,935.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$3,695.00	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

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#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation 0

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4779 First Presbyterian Church 320 N. Main St. Hightstown NJ 08520

Your congregation		Natio	onally
2021	2022	2021	2022
(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$459.30	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$1,907.27	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$326.60	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 <sup>*</sup>	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$615.00	1
Pentecost Offering	\$15.00	1
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$10.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4786	Your congregation Nationally			
First Presbyterian Church	2021	2022	2021	2022
16 Virginia Ave. Manasquan NJ 08736-3503	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit

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Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$1,040.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 <sup>*</sup>	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4787 First Presbyterian Church 883 State Hwy. 34 Matawan NJ 07747

Your congregation		Nationally		
2021	2022	2021	2022	
(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	

Christmas Joy Offering	\$1,230.00	\$1,592.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$1,320.00	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$1,453.20	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$1,113.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$20.00	1
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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#### IF WE ALL DO A LITTLE, IT ADDS UP TO A LOT!

4679 First Presbyterian Church P.O. Box 385 Metuchen NJ 08840

Your congregation		Natio	onally	
	2021	2022	2021	2022
	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$3,164.03	\$2,777.57	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$1,809.14	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$10.00	1
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4936
First Presbyterian Church
500 Plainsboro Rd.
Plainsboro NJ 08536-2005

Your congregation		Natio	onally	
	2021	2022	2021	2022
	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit

Christmas Joy Offering	\$175.00	\$250.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$70.00	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4793 First Presbyterian Church 255 Harding Rd. Red Bank NJ 07701

Your congregation		Natio	onally
2021	2022	2021	2022
(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$17,890.00	\$1,198.84	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$575.00	3
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$240.00	1

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4795 First Presbyterian Church P. O. Box 399 Rumson NJ 07760-0399

Your congregation		Nationally		
	2021	2022	2021	2022
	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 <sup>*</sup>
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$275.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4796 First Presbyterian Church 172 Main St. Sayreville NJ 08872

Your congregation		Nationally		
2021	2022	2021	2022	
(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$395.00	\$195.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$122.50	\$6.67	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 <sup>*</sup>
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4798	Your con	gregation	Natio	onally
First Presbyterian Church P. O. Box 787	2021	2022	2021	2022
South Amboy NJ 08879-0787	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

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Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4695 First Presbyterian Church 600 Rahway Ave. Woodbridge NJ 07095

Your congregation		Natio	onally
2021	2022	2021	2022
(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$2,333.59	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$6,240.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4919	Your congregation Natio			onally
First Presbyterian Church Of Dayton	2021	2022	2021	2022
	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$25.00	1
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4920	Your congregation Natio			ionally
First Presbyterian Church Of Dutch Neck 154 S. Mill Rd.	2021	2022	2021	2022
Princeton Junction NJ 08550-2006	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$868.00	\$1,850.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$11,415.00	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$420.07	\$716,154 <sup>*</sup>	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$100.00	1
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$25.00	1

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4775	Your con	gregation	Natio	onally
Forked River Presbyterian Church 131 N. Main St.	2021	2022	2021	2022
Forked River NJ 08731	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

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Christmas Joy Offering	\$1,525.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$2,440.23	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$437.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$177.50	\$0.00	\$716,154 <sup>*</sup>	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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15066 Grace Presbyterian Church 57 Sand Hills Rd. Kendall Park NJ 08824

Your congregation		Natio	onally	
	2021	2022	2021	2022
	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$442.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$998.00	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$208.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 <sup>*</sup>
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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#### IF WE ALL DO A LITTLE, IT ADDS UP TO A LOT!

4784 Hope Presbyterian Church 617 Hope Chapel Rd. Lakewood NJ 08701

Your congregation		Natio	onally
2021	2022	2021	2022
(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$640.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$578.75	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$50.00	1
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4772 Hope Presbyterian Church 1189 Hope Rd. Tinton Falls NJ 07724-9711

Your congregation		Natio	onally
2021	2022	2021	2022
(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit,

Christmas Joy Offering	\$185.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$631.00	\$410.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$710.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$105.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$165.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

# Funds to be remitted to your congregation after 2022 books close

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00



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4924	Your con	gregation	Natio	onally
Hopewell Presbyterian Church 80 W. Broad St.	2021	2022	2021	2022
Hopewell NJ 08525	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

0

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$3,289.97	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4780	Your congregation National			
Jamesburg Presbyterian Church 175 Gatzmer Ave.	2021	2022	2021	2022
Jamesburg NJ 08831	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 <sup>*</sup>	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$100.00	2
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$25.00	1

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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Kingston Presbyterian Church P. O. Box 148	2021	2022	2021	2022
Kingston NJ 08528-0148	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

0

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Christmas Joy Offering	\$396.06	\$656.80	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$1,918.31	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$368.93	\$0.00	\$716,154 <sup>*</sup>	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4955	Your congregation Nat			onally
Lawrence Road Presbyterian Church 1039 Lawrence Rd.	2021	2022	2021	2022
Lawrenceville NJ 08648	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	\$793.44	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation 0

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4928	Your congregation National			onally
Lawrenceville Presbyterian Church 2688 Main St.	2021	2022	2021	2022
Lawrenceville NJ 08648	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

0

Christmas Joy Offering	\$1,830.00	\$1,590.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$2,956.00	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$210.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 <sup>*</sup>	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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Your congregation **Nationally** 3875 Lincroft Presbyterian Church 2021 2022 2021 270 Everett Rd. (end of year) (as of 6/30/22 (end of year) Lincroft NJ 07738 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$201.00	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 <sup>*</sup>
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation 0

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4778	Your con	gregation	Natio	onally
Millstone United Presbyterian Church P. O. Box 202	2021	2022	2021	2022
Perrineville NJ 08535	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

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Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	\$2,411.50	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$492.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$218.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 <sup>*</sup>	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$25.00	1
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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10190 Your congregation
Nassau Presbyterian Church
61 Nassau St.
Princeton NJ 08542 (end of year) (as of 6/30/22 preliminary,

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2021	2022	2021	2022
(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$4,000.00	\$2,709.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$7,607.50	\$3,529.22	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 <sup>*</sup>
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 <sup>*</sup>
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$300.00	3
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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### IF WE ALL DO A LITTLE, IT ADDS UP TO A LOT!

4800	Your con	Your congregation N		
Old Tennent Presbyterian Church P. O. Box 6	2021	2022	2021	2022
Tennent NJ 07763	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	\$350.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation 0

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4935	Your congregation Na			onally
Pennington Presbyterian Church 13 S. Main St.	2021	2022	2021	2022
Pennington NJ 08534-2885	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

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Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$2,583.90	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$869.84	\$0.00	\$716,154 <sup>*</sup>	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$50.00	1
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$125.00	2

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4774	Your congregation Nation			onally
Pierce Memorial Presbyterian Church 42 Main St.	2021	2022	2021	2022
Farmingdale NJ 07727	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

0

September 27, 2022

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$740.00	\$370.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4792	Your congregation			onally
Point Pleasant Presbyterian Church 701 Forman Ave.	2021	2022	2021	2022
Point Pleasant Beach NJ 08742-2979	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

0

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$3,420.00	\$2,481.99	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$1,024.17	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

#### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4758	Your con	Nationally		
Presbyterian Church On The Hill 10 Cold Indian Springs Rd.	2021	2022	2021	2022
Ocean NJ 07712	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$2,083.84	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$2,768.39	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$430.02	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$149.50	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$45.00	2
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4797	Your congregation Nati			onally
Shrewsbury Presbyterian Church 352 Sycamore Ave.	2021	2022	2021	2022
Shrewsbury NJ 07702	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$205.00	\$200.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$4,850.00	\$1,563.75	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$115.00	2
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4959	Your con	gregation	Natio	onally
Slackwood Presbyterian Church 2020 Brunswick Ave.	2021	2022	2021	2022
Lawrenceville NJ 08648	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

September 27, 2022

Christmas Joy Offering	\$70.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$110.00	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$55.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 <sup>*</sup>	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation 0

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4933	Your con	gregation	Natio	onally
The Presbyterian Church at Peace Chapel 1212 Livingston Ave.	2021	2022	2021	2022
New Brunswick NJ 08902	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

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Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 <sup>*</sup>	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

<sup>\*</sup> Gifts to the Pentecost and Peace & Global Witness offerings do not include the percentages retained by congregations and mid councils.

### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4799 Your congregation **Nationally** Trinity Presbyterian Church 2021 2022 2021 367 Cranbury Rd. (end of year) (as of 6/30/22 (end of year) East Brunswick NJ 08816 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 <sup>*</sup>	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

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### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$225.00	3
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$25.00	1

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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12143	Your congregation Nationally			onally
United Presbyterian Church 12 Yardville-Hamilton Square Rd.	2021	2022	2021	2022
Yardville NJ 08620	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subiect to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

September 27, 2022

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$275.26	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

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### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	0
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4807	Your congregation Nation			nally
Westminster Presbyterian Church 94 Tindall Rd.	2021	2022	2021	2022
Middletown NJ 07748	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

September 27, 2022

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 <sup>*</sup>	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

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### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$200.00	1
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$50.00	1

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4963	Your con	Your congregation Natio		
Westminster Presbyterian Church P. O. Box 3719	2021	2022	2021	2022
Trenton NJ 08629	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

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Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

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### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	0
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$50.00	1
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	0
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00	0
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	0

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$0.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$0.00
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00







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4939	Your con	Nationally		
Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church 124 Witherspoon St.	2021	2022	2021	2022
Princeton NJ 08542	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)	(end of year)	(as of 6/30/22 preliminary, subject to audit)

Christmas Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$330.00	\$2,766,954	\$1,812,567
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	\$290.00	\$4,267,902	\$3,535,587
Pentecost Offering	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$800,968*	\$114,448 *
Peace & Global Witness Offering (includes Peacemaking Offering gifts)	\$0.00	\$204.67	\$716,154 *	\$213,585 *
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,466,864	\$605,553

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### Individuals giving directly to Special Offerings

Total number of individuals from your congregation

	Total given	# Donors
Christmas Joy Offering	\$25.00	1
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$325.00	2
Pentecost Offering	\$15.00	1
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$12.50	1
Presbyterian Giving Catalog (includes Special Offerings events)	\$200.00	1

Pentecost Offering (for youth programs)	\$10.00
Peace & Global Witness Offering	\$6.25
Presbyterian Giving Catalog	\$0.00



#### Report on the 225th General Assembly, from Commissioner Molly Boysen (YAAD)

This past summer, I attended the 225th General Assembly as a YAAD from Coastlands Presbytery. I would first like to express my profound gratitude for the opportunity to attend. It was a deeply enriching experience to be able to work and gather with so many of my fellow Presbyterians from across the country. I am also grateful for the support I was given from the Presbytery throughout this event, and for the co-moderators of the 225th General Assembly for their diligence.

At this General Assembly, I was on the committee for Race and Gender Justice. As a future social worker, I was thrilled to be on this committee and I very much enjoyed it. We were able to accomplish many things on behalf of our group, which I am very proud of. I especially felt the grace of God through our deep, moving conversations. We heard many testimonies, as well as read many readings about the past and present struggles of those who face or faced racism and sexism. These conversations and moments were not easy; we often felt the pain of so many of our brothers and sisters who suffered. Despite such challenges, these discussions allowed for us to create important movements for social and racial justice. I am grateful that we were able to do such important work together and in person.

The plenary portion was online, compared to our committees in person. This raised the most challenges for all of us, due to the fact that we had so much work to catch up on in so little time. We were not always able to discuss everything in detail, due to the need to save time, which was understandable. Being on Zoom for many hours was also a challenging ordeal; we became tired quickly due to looking at the screens for so long, and this made YAAD gatherings afterwards difficult. Most of all, gathering online in many ways does not capture the spirit and energy in the same way as in person. Despite this, some online portions were fun and innovative; we had many group chats and creative ways to gather on Zoom. We found unique ways to connect with one another, and I am grateful that we have the technology to do so throughout this pandemic. I am also grateful that many of us remained in good spirits, despite the obstacles we faced.

My role as a YAAD was perhaps the most enlightening part of my experience at the General Assembly. I was one of the oldest YAADs at 23 years old, which did create some challenges in terms of creating bonds with the other youth. However, I was very moved by their faith and their desire to make change. Despite a much smaller group, many of them were actively engaged throughout the event. We had many conversations about creating change for the future; many of them spoke out on important issues, even though they faced some initial fear and hesitancy. I hope to be able to see and work with many of them going forward as we enter a new era for the church.

All in all, my experience at the 225th General Assembly was a fantastic one. This General Assembly faced many unique challenges, such as the pandemic, as well as continuing challenges that face the church. In spite of these difficulties, we made new friends, learned new knowledge, and most of all made lasting change as commissioners. I am endlessly grateful to have been a commissioner, and I hope that I was able to make an impact on the lives of many.

Molly Boysen, YAAD

#### Report on General Assembly from Commissioner George Erlandson (TE)

Grace and peace to all of the Coastlands Presbytery,

I am Rev. George Erlandson, the pastor of the Community Presbyterian Church in Edison, and I was one of the Teaching Elders that all of you elected to go to the 225<sup>th</sup> General Assembly in Louisville. Firstly, I would like to thank all of you for electing me and bestowing me with this honor. Difficulties aside, it is blessing to be able to serve God's church. I would also like to thank the Presbytery staff who went above and beyond to help me feel comfortable and provided me with much appreciated beverages and snacks. It made the long Zoom meetings much more tolerable.

I was assigned to the Ecumenical and Interfaith Committee where we tackled the important work of forming bonds with other denominations and faiths. Most of our business was receiving reports from our sister organizations and larger ecumenical groups like the World Council of Churches. We also opened the door for further dialogue and work with other denominations here in the United States so that we can get important work done. I was especially proud of our work regarding the forming of relationships with churches in other countries in order to provide a better transition for immigrant communities here in the United States. Our big-ticket item was ECU-06 "Distribution of Study Document on Denouncing Antisemitism and Islamophobia -From the General Assembly Committee on Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations." There was lively debate around the document, of which I took part, mostly concerning the historical work and tone of the piece. Regardless, it passed quite easily with only myself and one other person being in the dissent. It went on to be accepted at the Assembly itself passing again by a large margin. I appreciated the purpose of why we felt the need to have this statement, but I still stand by my objections over its lack of historical depth, and I do not believe it will be of any use for serious interfaith work. Despite that humbling experience, I enjoyed my committee assignment and felt it to be a good fit for me.

As this was my first General Assembly, I did not know exactly what to expect. What I appreciated the most was being able to make connections with those from all over, and engage with those who think very differently. While the votes didn't always go the way I would have liked, it was still a good experience as I was able to engage with those who think very differently than I do and form common bonds. I also appreciated being able to see what was on the cutting edge of our denomination and was appreciative of the forward-thinking mentality that our denomination has towards technology. I also was pleased to be able to put faces to many of the names that I have been accustomed to seeing, which made our denomination feel more like home.

I imagine that every General Assembly is challenging, but the 225<sup>th</sup> General Assembly brought some unique challenges in the way of hybridization. I want to make it clear that I put no fault at the feet of the organizers, they were caught between a rock and a hard place and did the best that they could. Yet, the technological aspect was often very frustrating and it was very difficult to keep my attention focused solely on the business much of the time. It also made some of the debate intolerable (which I imagine is already difficult in normal circumstances), as the time crunch combined with technological issues could end up adding quite a bit of time. On a very different note, I was disheartened by some of the positions that the church took and the increasingly political nature of our church. Not shocking, to be expected given our trajectory, but

I worry that our misplaced thirst for relevance through politics is making us nothing more than a religious rubber stamp for political policies.

Overall, my experience at General Assembly was a mixed bag. I would assume this is the case for all my fellow commissioners even if we disagree about why that was the case. I would even assume that this is the case with any event where you shove a bunch of people together and have them make decisions. Regardless, I'm thankful to God and to all of you for choosing me to go. It was a memorable experience and I am happy to talk about it with any who would like to reach out.

In Christ,

Rev. George Erlandson

**Teaching Elder Commissioner** 

Coastlands Presbytery

#### Report on General Assembly from Commissioner Dilys Henninger (RE)

My experience at General Assembly was one that will not easily be forgotten for many reasons. I truly appreciate the opportunity to represent the Coastlands Presbytery in Louisville this summer. It was an unusual experience as the Assembly was split into many sections in the post-Covid era. I was a part of the first group attending which approved the entire meeting's availability on-line. Being first has its advantages, but we experienced working through many technological glitches in order that the folks attending on line would have a fairly seamless ability to be heard and to vote.

The highlights of my experience were many and varied. They included, but were not limited to the following:

- The large number of Presbyterians from all over the globe with whom I was able to interact and share ideas, including a former pastor of Cranbury whom I met accidentally.
- The inspiring worship services of the first two days led by the Moderator of the General Assembly and the Stated Clerk.
- The work of my committee assignment. This took up many hours on three days. I was a part of the Rules of Discipline which dealt with changes to the entre D section of the Book of Order. Some of our work was from 2000 when a very abbreviated GA was held on-line. Trough many discussion and testimonies we were able to craft the changes with agreement. This was achieved through prayer and reflections led by our very able Chair and Co-chair.
- The connectedness of our denomination was very evident and I could see on a broader scale how all of our discussions would affect many types of congregations and presbyteries.
- The effort that was being made to "recover" from the pandemic. When talking with
  other individuals, we were able to talk about the struggles experienced by the local
  congregations with interesting ways of looking at what the church of the future would
  be.
- The emphasis placed on inclusion of folks of different cultures and abilities.

What changes would I like to see in the next GA....

- A totally in person experience. The lonely hours on-line were very long.
- The ability for our Presbytery group to be together to discuss and debrief at the meeting.
- A plane flight home that did not start at 7 AM and end at 1 AM the following morning.

Thanks so much for trusting me to represent you and for the goodies delivered by Ilene!

Dilys Henninger

#### Rory Chambers - TE Commissioner GA225 Report

As a relative newcomer to Presbyterianism, my experience as a commissioner in GA was encouraging, exciting, and exhausting.

It was **encouraging** because, for the first time, I experienced a context wherein a denomination acting as a whole could tackle some significant topics and have a broad impact on folks in our care across the nation, forging connections between congregations in the process.

It was **exciting** because I could see that this was a way to be directly involved in national and international conversations and policies, especially as I learned about the Office of Public Witness and the importance of the work of GA in establishing policies for that office to advocate for.

It was **exhausting** because although the committee work and timeframe were manageable, the week of 12+ hour zoom meetings for plenary was a real grind. My heart goes out to the co-moderators and the digital team for making it work; they did an exceptional job. The entire GA was working through two assemblies' worth of overtures after they were pushed forward from GA2020.

I was assigned to the International Engagement committee, which had several sticky topics on the docket. I was surprised that the debate wasn't particularly heated nor close votes; much of our deliberations were on amendments, but even then the most time-consuming part of the process was navigating the PCBiz platform rather than the meaning we were aiming for together. To me, this speaks to the hard work done by presbyteries in the leadup to GA: with so many concurring groups participating in the process, the committee seemed willing to trust their overall recommendations as well as those of ACSWP and other bodies. Given that our mission is to discern the will of Christ, I was grateful that the feeling in the room was charitable and friendly even in the thick of heavy topics.

Participating in plenary sessions felt very different. Most significantly, the feeling of isolation as we went through each overture was significant. I was grateful to follow along on Twitter and Discord, particularly in an online room [with a few other commissioners and] most of the YAADs so we could check with each other where we were in the process and to bounce ideas with regard to what was happening on each motion. Plenary would have been a lonely and confusing time without those resources. I am also deeply grateful for the care shown by Coastlands presbytery in keeping us commissioners sufficiently snacked up!

I am grateful to have been elected to serve at this GA and will look forward to opportunities to do so again. If I could make one suggestion, it would be to encourage congregations to ordain young people (under-25s) as Ruling Elders and commission them to GA. Many of the decisions being made have lasting impacts on our church and the world around us, the impacts of which will be carried by young people; they should have more than just an advisory say on what those decisions are. It's not enough to say that young people are the church of the future; they're the church *now*. Our structure heavily favours clergy and retirees who have the time to commit to this process and almost completely shuts out students and young professionals from participating equally. I think we would be wise to address this.

Thank you again for your trust in me and the other commissioners, I'm grateful to have been able to be part of it.

Beth Rigby, Ruling Elder Commissioner to GA225

#### **GA225 Impressions**

I want to express my gratitude to Coastlands Presbytery for being given the opportunity to be a Commissioner at GA225. This was my first time as a Commissioner and it was a rich and enlightening experience.

It was also challenging, sometimes frustrating, but also hopeful and reassuring in the way the defined General Assembly structure and yes, even the tedious Parliamentary protocol, served to move the whole body forward together.

Co-Moderators Rev. Shavon Starling-Louis and Rev. Ruth Santana-Grace did an excellent job under difficult circumstances; Covid safety was foremost, as was tech reliability and support. They provided balance and focused spirituality during difficult issue discussions and partnered well in their sensitivity, bringing space for prayer or to take a breath when frustrations felt high. The daily morning worship services were each unique, beautifully done, and consistently grounded the focus and purpose of the day for me.

I found all the preparation reading and video materials a bit overwhelming at first but also helpful in providing an overview of process, hierarchy, resources, and components of GA 225 during the months before my June Environmental Justice Committee meetings in Louisville and again during Plenary sessions online. My understanding of PCUSA has been greatly expanded by the opportunity to participate in such important work at this level, understanding who 'we' are as the church, and who we, as PCUSA, are called to become in our communities, country and the world, caring for the vulnerable and the earth, and seeking justice.

From the first days of my GA experience, I was impressed with the knowledge, integrity, preparedness, and honest, fact-based input of the various PMA agencies and resources. My Committee relied on several PMA resources to guide us in weighing the potential impacts of our decisions prior to voting, and this exposure to the depth and breadth of PMA work, advocacy and action regularly surpasses what I've witnessed in large corporations, non-profits, and NGO's. Covid restrictions did limit Advisory groups from interacting with Committees which was unfortunate. I came to appreciate the insight and clarity provided by the Advisory Committee on the Constitution in the midst of tedious word-smithing amendments to a statement in the Book of Order, and their patient reminder that the Book of Order is a guide, not an operations manual.

Overall, being a Commissioner deepened my faith and greatly expanded my knowledge and respect for PCUSA structure, process and commitment to our call as Christians and Presbyterians. Going through the full end to end experience this first time, I learned that trust in the process from Committee to Plenary, being patient, and hearing each other's concerns, supported the full body of Commissioners working together on the policies and issues that will keep moving PCUSA forward doing the work in the world. It was an honor to be a part of this important work.

Beth Rigby

#### **Trustees Report**

to

#### Coastlands Presbytery Stated Meeting on September 27, 2022

The Trustees continue to press on with their three responsibilities.

- Review all transfers of assets, debt service, and leases that exceed the limit congregations can execute on their own.
- Hire and review compensation and benefits for all staff supervised by the presbytery leaders.
- Oversee all financial matters of the presbytery to include: budget formation, per capita, investments, and policies governing the aforementioned.

A good number of our projects take a fair amount of time. We have been working on the policies for our finances for more than a year. Most are in place, but some are quite delicate and need deliberation. For instance, we are now in a position to develop a policy for the allocation of new funds once received. We can now develop this policy because we have created the options as to where they might be directed.

The personnel matters are delicate as well. As you can imagine hiring and job reviews require a certain degree of confidentiality and are not the stuff of a governing body report. We can share that we are happy to be working with our new leaders Sue Krummel and David Torrey. A good share of our time has been spent onboarding them with the directions and challenges of forming our new presbytery.

Hopefully, by our November meeting, the Trustees will be able to report next year's per capita, a review of our current operating budget, a policy for asset allocation, and, if we are lucky, new staff.

### Report of the Presbytery Leader Consultant

To the Stated Meeting of Coastlands Presbytery



I am happy to be joining you for a few months while the Search Team completes its work to find a Transitional Presbytery Leader. I know that for some of you it has been several years since you have had someone filling that role and that for all of you it is still new to be members of the Presbytery of the Coastlands. These next months will be a time for the presbytery to continue to shore up (see how I used a reference to the "coast"?) its procedures and policies so that there will be a firm foundation for your new leader.

This is also a time when many congregations are continuing to discover who they are as the pandemic waxes and wanes and people have found new ways to celebrate their faith and to fill their Sunday mornings. All leaders in congregations are finding themselves in a time of reassessing the old ways of doing things even as we long for them. There is also a heightened level of anxiety throughout all of our organizations as people feel uncertain about the future in so many ways.

The picture that accompanies this report is from my garden. I have been a gardener in the Midwest my whole life, sometimes growing vegetables and now concentrating more on perennials. Gardening has always been a metaphor for ministry for me. We can plan; we can do our best to put the right plants in the right places; we can try to keep the chipmunks and rabbits and bugs at bay; we can even water from time to time. But, we cannot ultimately control what happens in the garden. We do our best and then it is out of our hands. So much like ministry!

This picture is of a branch on the huge magnolia tree in our backyard. The tree predates our arrival here almost two decades ago. (Again, like ministry, we often pick up where others have left off.) On this branch you can see a bud. In April next spring it will be one of hundreds of pink and white blooms for a week or two on the tree and then its petals will join with thousands of others to make a pink and white carpet in the backyard.

Between now and then it will go through great times of trauma. Soon the leaves that help to protect it will fall from the tree. A month or so after that the first snow will fall. It will live through temperatures that get to 20 below zero sometimes and inches and inches of snow on the branches of the tree. Through all of that it will bide its time. When the days grow longer next spring, when the temperatures begin to moderate, when the rains start to fall, this bud will achieve its purpose, bursting into bloom. Until then it waits and survives.

So many times our ministries are just like that. The potential for us to achieve our purpose is there. We know what we are called to do. And we wait for the time to be right, enduring the challenges that come during that waiting.

In the next few months we will think about the potential for this new aggregation of congregations and new worshiping communities, minister members serving congregations, ministers in validated ministries and retired ministers that is called the Coastlands. What is our bud destined to produce? What challenges will we face as we move toward that future? The way may not be crystal clear but our call never changes. We are to bring hope in the name of Jesus—when the time is right and while we wait for that time!

Rev. Sue Krummel, Presbytery Leader Consultant

#### REPORT OF THE ACTING STATED CLERK

For the Stated Presbytery Meeting on September 27, 2022

#### For Information:

- 1. In case you have not heard, the Presbytery of the Coastlands is searching for several positions on Presbytery staff: a Bookkeeper, a Stated Clerk, a co-Presbytery Leader for Administration, and a co-Presbytery Leader for Relationships. Please share that information with others. The MIFs are on CLC.
- 2. After receipt of a communication through the COM from the Oak Tree and First Iselin Presbyterian Churches, drafted, with the Presbytery Moderator, a Merger Administrative Commission Warrant for approval at the September 27, 2022 Stated Meeting of Coastlands Presbytery.

### For Action by Presbytery:

1. **MOTION:** That Presbytery approve the Merger Administrative Commission for the merger of the Oak Tree Presbyterian Church and the First Presbyterian Church of Iselin.

Respectfully Submitted, Rev. Dr. David A. Torrey, Acting Stated Clerk statedclerk@coastlandspresbytery.org

### Warrant

for an

### **Administrative Commission**

of Coastlands Presbytery

### concerning the proposed merger of the Oak Tree Presbyterian Church of Edison, NJ and the First Presbyterian Church of Iselin, NJ

**September 27, 2022** 

The congregation is the church engaged in the mission of God in its particular context. The triune God gives to the congregation all the gifts of the gospel necessary to being the Church. The congregation is the basic form of the church, but it is not of itself a sufficient form of the church. Thus congregations are bound together in communion with one another, united in relationships of accountability and responsibility, contributing their strengths to the benefit of the whole, and are called, collectively, the church. (G-1.0101)

In our polity the Presbytery is given authority to:

- Organize congregations which function under the authority of our Constitution. (G-1.02)
- Control the location of new congregations and of congregations desiring to move as well as to divide, dismiss, or dissolve congregations in consultation with their members (G-3.0303b)

The Presbytery received a communication from the congregations of First Presbyterian Church of Iselin and Oak Tree Presbyterian Church through the Commission on Ministry, requesting that Presbytery provide assistance and guidance in the proposed merger of the two congregations.

In order for a response or support team to be able to act on behalf of the Presbytery and with the Presbytery's full authority it requires the technical language of a Warrant for an Administrative Commission. The warrant describes the ways in which the commission will support, protect, and encourage the Oak Tree and First Presbyterian Churches' "Ministry under the Word."

Therefore, the congregations of Oak Tree and First Presbyterian request the Presbytery of Coastlands, at its Stated Meeting, on September 27, 2022, to create and empower an Administrative Commission.

Among the responsibilities given to an Administrative Commission in our polity are the following:

developing immigrant fellowships, organizing new congregations, merging congregations, or forming union or federated congregations (G-3.0109b(4))

The Administrative Commission will have the following powers and responsibilities:

- 1. To visit the Oak Tree and First Presbyterian Churches.
- 2. In carrying out this responsibility, the Administrative Commission, acting on behalf of Presbytery, is hereby empowered:
  - a. To provide coordination and guidance for the Oak Tree and First Presbyterian Churches, assisting the church in mobilizing its strength for making the most effective witness to Jesus Christ. (G-3.0303a) Any other guidance and coordination as becomes necessary during the course of the Commission's work shall be included in the scope of this warrant.
  - b. To assist in effecting the merger of the two corporations, the creation of a new corporate entity, and the dissolution of the former corporations.
  - c. To assist in the determination of the appropriate disposition of the Oak Tree property(ies).
  - d. If appropriate, assume original jurisdiction of the session, on behalf of the presbytery, after providing members of the congregation an opportunity to be heard as set forth in G-

3.0303e.

- e. Undertake information-gathering and discernment as follows:
  - Obtain all session and congregational minutes, records, documents, committees, employee and other material the commission deems necessary to do its work.
  - Identify and assess the financial status and relevant outstanding financial obligations including per capita payments that may be owed by the church and:
  - Conduct a financial review of the congregation's books.
  - Determine location and balance of all accounts.
  - With any endowment or memorial accounts, determine if there are any bequest stipulations.
  - Determine any outstanding debts/obligations.
  - Identify, inventory and assess the value of all real property and furnishings/contents owned by the congregation, including any deed restrictions or stipulations
- f. Dissolve the congregation, on behalf of the presbytery, at a date of its determination, with attention to the following tasks:
  - Obtain all Session minutes, church registers, and other records for transfer to the presbytery and eventual deposit with the Presbyterian Historical Society.
  - Consult with the session and congregation to determine if they wish to memorialize their congregation and its history of Presbyterian and Reformed mission and ministry through gifts aligned with presbytery policy to particular Presbyterian mission and ministry, the Presbytery, Synod or General Assembly, making recommendations to the presbytery and its Trustees for the eventual dispersal of accounts and property.
  - Following the dissolutions, transfer any remaining balances to the Presbytery and close all remaining accounts.
- g. Recommend to the Presbytery, if necessary, terms for the dissolution of the pastoral call. (Dissolution of a pastoral call may not be delegated to the commission.)
- h. Plan and, as appropriate, lead an appropriate final service of worship for the congregation in its place of worship.
- i. Plan and lead an appropriate celebration of the congregation and its ministry at the next stated meeting of Presbytery, during which the records may be symbolically handed to the Stated Clerk.
- j. Assist the congregation in selling the church property in consultation with the Board of Trustees, and in conversation with the Round Table.
  - Determine if any furnishings or contents might continue in Christian mission and ministry within the presbytery.
  - Arrange for the disposition of furnishings not needed by the presbytery and, in consultation with the congregation, determine if any furnishings are to be used to create a memorial to the work of the congregation at another location within the presbytery.

- k. Should the congregation be dissolved before acceptable purchasers of the building can be found, secure the legal rights to the properties and provide for its ongoing care, including:
  - Secure a clear title to the property in consultation with the Trustees, determine if there is no obvious presbytery use of the properties, and list the properties for sale.
  - Transfer title of the property to the Coastlands Presbytery.
  - Have the property listed on the Presbytery's property and liability insurance coverage.
  - Assure the integrity of the legal corporate status of the church. If incorporated, secure the local Articles of Incorporation.
  - Determine which utilities should remain connected and which may be disconnected and make these arrangements with the proper companies.
  - Arrange with the Presbytery's financial administrator for any ongoing utility payments.
  - Secure the building and make provision for any continued use of the property by groups, previously hosted by or renting from the church.
  - Make provisions for a caretaker until the final disposition of the property, including mowing the lawn and maintenance of any sidewalks.
- l. Assist the members in transferring their membership to another PC(USA) congregation, if desired.
- m. Consult, as necessary, with the Commission on Ministry at all stages of the outlined process.
- n. Document all actions taken in detail in both its own minutes and, when exercising the duties of session, in the minutes of Sessions.
- o. Report to Coastlands Presbytery all actions taken.

The Commission shall be empowered to perform all administrative and other tasks necessary to fulfill its charge and to carry out the responsibilities delegated to it.

This Administrative Commission shall assist the Sessions of the Oak Tree and First Presbyterian Churches in the fulfillment of any additional items as determined by the evaluation of the proposed merger.

This Administrative Commission shall report to Presbytery at each Stated Meeting, until its mandate is completed. Membership in this Administrative Commission shall be by appointment of the Moderator of Presbytery, in consultation with the Stated Clerk and the Commission on Ministry.

If requested by the Administrative Commission, Coastlands Presbytery shall secure Counsel for their work.

Rev. Wendi Werner, Moderator of Presbytery and Council

Rev. Dr. David A. Torrey, Stated Clerk of Presbytery

## MINUTES OF THE GAP COUNCIL THE PRESBYTERY OF THE COASTLANDS

The regular meeting of the Gap Council of the Presbytery of the Coastlands was called to order on Thursday, July 7, 2022, at 12:00 PM via Zoom, and opened with prayer by Rev. Wendi Werner.

#### Attendance:

Rev. Linda Goeddel	P	Rev. Karen Hernandez-	A	Rev. Chris Houtz	P
		Granzen			
Ruling Elder Jan Margolis	P	Elder Dan Raisch	P	Rev. Glory Thomas	P
Elder Kathy Starzer-Farrell	P	Rev. Wendi Werner,	P	Rev. Rory Chambers,	Е
		Moderator		Vice Moderator	
, Gap Presbytery Leader, ex-		Rev. David Torrey, Acting	P		
officio		Stated Clerk, ex-officio			

A quorum was declared by the Moderator.

The Moderator shared background information regarding a letter to be sent to Mr. Justin Karmann, former Associate Pastor at FPC Metuchen regarding his continued violation of boundaries with the congregation and individuals. A recommendation was made to have COM look at creating a Covenant of Closure for Pastors who have done harm to congregations or individuals. In Justin's case, the RCA handled prosecution of the charges and Mr. Karmann chose to demit his ordination rather than go through a judicial trial. Conversation continued around the nature of his boundary violations and the importance of informing him of Presbytery's support for any actions of the congregation, and the need for pastoral support for the pastors of FPC Metuchen.

**Motion** (Dan Raisch): That the Gap Council affirm and endorse the letter to be sent to Mr. Karmann and to the Pastors and Session of First Presbyterian Church of Metuchen.

Motion Seconded. Motion Carried.

Council recommended that the Stated Clerk inform COM, PJC, and the RCA Classis about the situation and the letter. Copies of the letter to be sent to the PJC Moderator and the COM Co-Moderators. A recommendation was also made to check with former Stated Clerk, Sue Smith, about former Monmouth Presbytery's PJC requirement regarding additional training/examination for Pastors accused of similar circumstances who renounced jurisdiction and seek reinstatement.

The Moderator then shared the progress of the FPC Trenton Task Force charged with conducting a feasibility study for the FPC Trenton proposed project (Fred Garry, Jean Woodman, Jane Malloy (RE FPC Trenton), Sam Bonner (RE Ewing Covenant and member of the FPC Trenton SARC)). The Task Force met last Saturday evening with Wendi moderating the meeting. Plans are in place for Rory Chambers (Vice Moderator of Presbytery) to lead a process of Missional Priorities discernment in the fall.

The Moderator told the Council that there would be a need to call a Special Meeting of Presbytery for the purpose of establishing:

1. An Administrative Commission for the Witherspoon Street PC, already endorsed by COM, but needing to be populated prior to the meeting.

2. An Administrative Commission to handle the proposed merger of Oak Tree Presbyterian Church and First Presbyterian Church of Iselin, with a request to allow either Council or the Stated Clerk to populate the AC.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Dan Raisch at 1:05 pm.

Submitted by,

Rev. David Torrey, Acting Stated Clerk

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### MINUTES OF THE GAP COUNCIL THE PRESBYTERY OF THE COASTLANDS

The regular meeting of the Gap Council of the Presbytery of the Coastlands was called to order on Thursday, September 1, 2022, at 12:09 PM via Zoom, and opened with prayer by Rev. Wendi Werner.

#### Attendance:

Rev. Linda Goeddel	P	Rev. Karen Hernandez-Granzen		Rev. Chris Houtz	
Ruling Elder Jan Margolis	P	Elder Dan Raisch	P	Rev. Glory Thomas	P
Elder Kathy Starzer-Farrell	P	Rev. Wendi Werner,	P	Rev. Rory Chambers,	Е
		Moderator		Vice Moderator	
Sue Krummel, Presbytery		Rev. David Torrey,	P		
Leader Consultant, ex-officio		Acting Stated Clerk,			
		ex-officio			

A quorum was declared by the Moderator.

1. Approval of 2022-0628 draft Presbytery minutes

**Motion** (Kathy): That the draft minutes of the 2022-0628 Stated Presbytery meeting be recommended to presbytery for approval as amended.

*Amendment:* to remove the Unexcused Absence information from the minutes and save the information for COM/Relational Leader use.

Motion seconded.

Motion passed.

2. Update on new Gap Leader Consultant

The Moderator updated Council on Sue Krummel's onboarding next week as the Leader Consultant. Question of where Sue will be informed about immediate needs for attention. There are a few things happening in the presbytery that she needs some immediate information and awareness. We will be strategically putting her in the mix. She has worked closely with Search Committees in the past. Will be looking to resource COM. She has been informed the Personnel committee will be meeting with her regularly to inform her of items requiring her attention. Because she will be part-time, there will be a cultural shift based on availability.

3. Provisional approval of an additional member of the co-leader search team

**Motion** (from COR): That Molly Ramsey (Point Pleasant) be given provisional approval to be added to the Co-Leader Search Team as a member and be ratified at the Presbytery meeting on 9/27/2022.

Motion seconded.

Motion passed.

Jan reminded Council of the need for an additional congregational pastor for the search team. There is currently one Teaching Elder, and now with Molly, there are now two Teaching Elders and need at least one more.

4. Approval of MIF's for co-leaders

**Motion** (Jan): That the MIF's for both Co-Leaders (Administrative and Relationship) be approved so that they may be published to CLC.

Committee was formed at 6/28 meeting but not allowed to get to work until they had received training from Synod. By that time a couple folks resigned and others needed training. The MIF was worked up over the last 3 weeks in cooperation with the Trustees. MIFs are identical with some small differences in leadership competencies and specific responsibilities. Compensation for both is \$95,000 - 120,000. References for both are the same. 6 of Leadership Competencies are the same. 4 differences for the Relationship Leader are Communicator, Contextualization, Change-Agent, Fund Development.

For Administrative Leader the Competencies are Media Savvy, Motivator, Organizational Agility, Board Development.

Wendi asked for any substantive change requests to be referred to the committee.

Kathy asked about COR input? Especially regarding representational language.

#### Motion seconded.

Motion passed.

#### 5. Planning for presbytery meeting

Need to make room for the GA Commissioners to share their experiences of GA at the meeting. Worship Team is focusing on World Communion Sunday and include communion by the presbytery. Need to inform folks so they can be prepared to celebrate.

**Motion** (Linda): That Presbytery celebrate communion at the September Stated Meeting on 9/27/2022. **Motion seconded.** 

#### Motion passed.

- Need time for reports from the Co-Leader Search Committee and the Stated Clerk Search Committee to provide inspirational reports.
- Need to finalize the Merger AC for September meeting.
- Need someone to do the highlights of the meeting for the newsletter because Kathy will be absent. Linda volunteered.

#### 6. Plan for formation of mission/vision statement

Had hoped that Rory would be able to launch some work on the visioning process. Perhaps to bring to the September meeting.

#### 7. Other items?

- Wendi asked that everyone keep all congregations, especially those in conflict, in prayer as the September June program year begins.
- Keep Sue Krummel in prayer as she comes on board with Coastlands.
- Keep the Lakewood Hope congregation in prayer because of the flooding they experienced.

Kathy may not be at the October Gap Council meeting due to a trip. Excited that Trinity PC is entering September with new staff and new energy.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Rev. Wendi Werner at 1:08 pm.

Submitted by,

Rev. David Torrey, Acting Stated Clerk

# Report from the Administrative Commission (AC) of the Presbytery of the Coastlands for the dissolution of First Presbyterian Church, Lakewood, NJ

#### September 11, 2022

The Administrative Commission comprised of Elder Jeffrey McLaughlin, Rev. Molly Ramsey and Rev. Julie Thompson-Barrier has met with the Session of Lakewood First Presbyterian Church every month since the warrant for closure was issued in May. We offer support and guidance as they complete the checklist of tasks necessary for closure of the congregation.

Since our initial meeting with Commissioned Ruling Elder Rick LaFever on June 1, the dates for final events have changed. The Session has since decided on the following dates:

- **September 18 Recognition Sunday**. On this day, past and current members and friends of the congregation will be invited to worship and to purchase or take items from the church as keepsakes.
- October 16 Presbytery Worship Service. In place of a morning worship service, members of the Presbytery will lead an afternoon worship service (1 p.m.) to give thanks for the ministry of the congregation and honor its heritage. Molly Ramsey is coordinating the participants and details of this service.
- **November 27** Final Worship Service. This service is intended for the current 17 members to have a final worship gathering together.
- **November 30** The Session will no longer have jurisdiction of the church's ministry or property.

**Financial Matters** - All bills have been paid and vendors notified of the November 30 closing date. The for-profit pre-school and day care on the property will close its doors at the end of October. The Session has decided to consolidate their assets from checking accounts and investment accounts. This consolidation has already occurred.

**Sale of the Property** - The Session has received one (low) offer on the property which they did not accept. They have since found and retained a commercial real estate broker from a local Keller Williams office. Session appointed two elders to handle real estate negotiations.

Sale and or Removal of Items in the Building - The clerk of Session and elder in charge of Property have created an inventory of items that can be given away or sold. Some items (kitchen items, classroom desks) were sold locally. They plan to give the remaining kitchen items to a local soup kitchen. They have two bids from interested parties for the items in the sanctuary of architectural interest - pews, stained glass windows, baptismal font, communion table, and light fixtures.

**Historical Records** - The clerk of Session has compiled records of the church, including membership rosters, annual reports, documentation of baptisms, and financial ledgers. Our Stated Clerk has offered guidance on which documents are necessary to retain (to be sent to the Presbyterian Historical Society) and which can be discarded.

**Membership Transfers** - The Session confirmed their understanding of membership transfers to other congregations. It sounds like most members have already voiced their plans of where they plan to worship in the future (most to Lakehurst or Brick). If Lakewood members have not transferred their memberships within one year of closure, they understand that the Presbytery of the Coastlands will retain their membership letter.

The Administrative Commission is scheduled to meet with the Lakewood Church session next on Monday, September 19.

Respectfully Submitted, Rev. Julie Thompson-Barrier, chair

# Administrative Commission (AC) Of the Presbytery of the Coastlands concerning The Middlesex Presbyterian Church, Middlesex, NJ

# Report to the Presbytery 20 September 2022

Per the Warrant dated 27 July 2021, The Presbytery of the Coastlands created and empowered the Administrative Commission. The Commission has the power to conclude specific actions to dissolve the Middlesex Presbyterian Church (MPC). At the 28 June 2022 Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of the Coastlands, The Middlesex AC focused on the listed action "To discern, in consultation with the COM, the future use of the real property and in the event that the decision is to sell the property, to carry out the sale."

The recommendation of the AC was to sell the MPC building and property located at 1190 Mountain Ave., Middlesex, NJ 08846 to Middlesex Borough, located at 1200 Mountain Ave., Middlesex, NJ 08846. Presbytery approved the recommendation at the 28 June 2022 Stated Meeting of The Presbytery of the Coastlands. As a result:

- The AC retained the services of Mary Smith Hanley, Esq., 471 Middlesex Ave., Metuchen, NJ 08840 to represent the Sellers.
- Middlesex Borough retained the services of John F. Bracaglia Jr., Savo, Schalk, Gillespie, O'Grodnick, and Fisher, 56 East Main St., Suite 301, Somerville, NJ 08876 to represent the Buyers.
- The Buyer submitted a proposed contract dated 5 August 2022 to the Sellers attorney for review. A nine-hundred thousand dollar (\$900,000.00) purchase price for the property of MPC was agreed to by the Seller and Buyer. The Sellers attorney and the AC made revisions to the contract and a revised contract was prepared on 23 August 2022. The proposed changes by the Seller were communicated to the Buyers attorney and approved.
- The 23 August contract was signed by the Session of MPC on 2 September 2022 and submitted to the Buyer for signature and execution of the contract.
- On 14 September 2022 the Buyer submitted a revised contract to the Seller with further changes to the 23 August revised contract.
- On 19 September 2022 the Sellers attorney responded to the Buyers proposed
   14 September contract amendments after discussion with the AC.

To note, the back and forth between the Sellers and Buyers attorneys involve the length the due diligence period. The Sellers have approved a forty-five (45) day period with

one (1) up to a three (3) month extension if the Buyer is awaiting governmental approvals. The Buyer is seeking two (2) such extension periods.

Also at the 28 June 2022 Stated Meeting of Presbytery, the AC requested approval of assuming original jurisdiction if necessary to conclude the affairs of the MPC. The request was approved. To date, the necessity to do so has not been warranted. The AC has retained the services of Ms. Polly Hartzell; a part-time bookkeeper, to help facilitate the orderly reconciliation and closing of MPC's financial affairs.

The Middlesex Administative Commission (AC)
The Rev. Joyce MacKichan Walker, Moderator.
Ruling Elder Paul Gunsser
Ruling Elder Beth Rigby, Secretary.

## COMMISSION ON REPRESENTATION REPORT

To the Stated Meeting of Coastlands Presbytery on September 27, 2022

The Committee on Representation presents the following people for nomination to the respective positions named.

# **GAP TRUSTEES**

Lawrence Adjah – RE

Rev. Jim Dunson – TE, Manasquan

Walt Vincent – RE, Hightstown

# STANDING AC for CONGREGATIONAL DISSOLUTION

# Class of 2023

Bisi Shofu – RE

# **Class of 2024**

Christine Vincent – RE, Hightstown

Rev. Jan Koczera – TE, Hamilton Square

# Class of 2025

Kristie Miles – RE, Brick

Rev. Nidia Fernandez – TE, Cafe' Para El Alma

# **COUNCIL**

# Class of 2023

Rev. Linda Goeddel - TE

# Class of 2024

Jan Margolis – RE, Metuchen

Rev. Karen Hernandez-Granzen – TE, Westminster Trenton

# **Class of 2025**

Rev. Dr. Glory Thomas – TE, Oak Tree

Ekan Onyile – RE, New Brunswick Peace Chapel

# **COMMISSION ON MINISTRY**

# Class of 2023

Dave Redman – RE, Dutch Neck

# Class of 2024

Rev. Dr. Nina Reeder – TE

## **Class of 2025**

Bisi Shofu – RE

Rev. David Cotton – TE, Trinity East Brunswick

Rev. Chris Houtz – TE, Iselin

Dan Raisch – RE, Toms River

# **COMMISSION ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY**

# Class of 2023

Rev. James Klotz – TE, Slackwood

Rev. Julie Thompson-Barrier – TE

Rev. Janet Macgregor Williams – TE, Lawrenceville Church

Debbie Nixon - RE, Lawrence Road

# **Class of 2024**

Rev. Jean Pinto – TE

Rev. Matt Pigman – RE

Rev. George Erlandson – TE, Community Presbyterian Church of Edison

# **Class of 2025**

Mike Meduski – RE, Hamilton Square

Rev. Byron Shafer – TE

Rev. Melissa Martin – TE, Hopewell Presbyterian Church

# **PERMANENT JUDICIAL COMMISSION**

# **Class of 2022**

Diana Chase – RE, Jamesburg - UE

# **SYNOD COMMISSIONER**

Linda De Lotto – RE, Forked River

# **CO-LEADER SEARCH TEAM**

Rev. Molly Ramsey – TE, Point Pleasant

LEGEND: TE = Teaching Elder, RE = Ruling Elder, UE = Unexpired Term

# For Presbytery Action:

**MOTION:** That the individuals nominated be elected to their respective Classes and positions.

# REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY

To the September 27, 2022 Stated Meeting of Coastlands Presbytery

# CPM offers the following as information

At its August 29, 2022, meeting, the Commission on Preparation for Ministry took the following actions:

- Advanced Ana Pantoja of First Church of Matawan to candidate status,
- Withdrew Shari Oosting of Nassau Church from the roll of inquirers at her request, and
- Withdrew Morgan Holick of Lawrenceville Church from the roll of inquirers at her request.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Rev. James Klotz** 

Ph.D. candidate, George S. Green Fellow, Princeton Theological Seminary Parish Associate & Moderator of Session, Slackwood Presbyterian Church, Lawrenceville, NJ

# REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON MINISTRY (COM) on the meetings of July 5, 2022 and September 6, 2022

Rev. Dr. Nina Reeder and Rev. Jessica Dixon, co-moderators reporting for the Commission:

# For Information:

- 1. The COM approved the job description for a year long part-time call for the First Presbyterian Church of Trenton, for 15 hours/week, start date to be determined.
- 2. The COM reviewed and approved the Rev. Glory Thomas' move to validated ministry.
- 3. The COM approved the warrant for an administrative commission for Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church, such an AC to be formed and in place by the middle of August 2022.
- 4. The COM granted permission for the Session of Ewing Covenant Presbyterian church to call a congregational meeting for the purpose of electing a Pastor Nominating Committee.
- 5. The COM conducted exit interviews with Rev. Chris Houtz and the session of Carteret Presbyterian Church.
- 6. The COM approved the renewal of the covenant call contract between West Trenton Presbyterian Church session and the Rev. Walter DeGunya.
- 7. The COM discussed the formation of a COM subcommittee to provide advice and counsel to the session of Iglesia Nueva Vida Presbiteriana.
- 8. The COM approved the renewal of the interim contract between Old Tennent Presbyterian Church and the Rev. Jessica Dixon.
- 9. The COM approved the Rev. Bill Morris as moderator of Millstone Presbyterian Church for their September 8 session meeting.
- 10. The COM approved the interim ministry contract between Trinity Presbyterian Church East Brunswick and the Rev. David Cotton.
- 11. The COM approved the interim ministry MIF from Westminster Presbyterian Church Middletown.
- 12. The COM discussed issues in pastoral transitions and the role of former pastors in the ongoing ministry of a congregation. The COM will redouble its efforts to provide and interpret to all churches the current Presbytery Covenant of Closure.
- 13. The COM approved the Administrative Commission to ordain Emily Wilkes.
- 14. The COM discussed personnel issues brought to the COM by Ewing Covenant Presbyterian Church.

# For Action by Presbytery:

- 1. **Motion:** To admit Candidate Emily Wilkes (a Candidate under care of Charlotte Presbytery) to the floor for the completion of her examination for ordination.
- 2. **Motion:** That Presbytery approve the validation of Emily's call to validated ministry.
- 3. **Motion:** That the examination of Emily Wilkes be sustained in whole and in part, and that she be enrolled as a Member serving in Validated Ministry in her position with the Presbyterian Mission Agency.

I believe in the triune God who creates, redeems, and sustains us all. As a monumental act of God's sovereign and abundant love, God freely chose to create the heavens and the earth. All of creation reflects the splendor of God's beauty, including humanity, created specifically in God's image. God loves with abandon; like a Father, God runs to us, arms outstretched to welcome us home in deep embrace. God does not forsake us; like a Mother, God gathers us under an outstretched wing as a mother hen gathers her chicks. Despite God's goodness and faithfulness, humanity rebelled against the limits God intended for us. We therefore live in a broken world which is, at its core, is a struggle over who reigns. I am caught up in this struggle as I both act on my individual selfishness and participate in powers, principalities, and systems of oppression that cause harm.

I believe in Jesus Christ, both fully human and fully divine, who through the incarnation walked among us as the embodiment of God's love on earth. Through the incarnation, Jesus was Emmanuel, God-with-us. He gathered in the lost, the broken, and the forsaken to convey God's deep love for us all. Jesus Christ is the Prophet, Priest, and King who willingly subjected himself to crucifixion, standing in solidarity with the human condition. He was buried in a tomb, but three days later the tomb was empty; Jesus Christ is risen. Through the resurrection, the body of Christ is present today in the communities that gather to worship the crucified and risen God.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, who is God's most intimate and mysterious presence within and around us. Shortly after Jesus ascended to heaven, the Holy Spirit descended on people from many nations, who though they spoke different languages could understand one another. Similarly, the Spirit is what helps us make sense of our experiences of God. The Holy Spirit leads us inward, enabling us to understand the healing love of Christ. The Spirit nurtures and sustains our faith. Like the light of the sun, the Spirit illumines our reality and deepens our understanding of the Word of God as found in Scripture.

I believe that the Sacraments are God's gift for the people of God, acting as a visible sign of an invisible grace. Baptism is an expression of God's calling us God's own beloved children. God calls us before we even have the capacity to choose or claim our own faith in God. Therefore, I believe infant baptism and believers' baptism are both valid and appropriate expressions of the Sacrament of baptism. The Lord's Supper is the sign and seal of eating and drinking in communion with the crucified and risen God. Communion is God's invitation to the table, where all are welcome and embraced as they share a meal at the table – no exceptions. At the table, God's people are in communion with Christ and all who belong to Christ.

Through this faith, we too are justified. Although we are mired in sin, we are forgiven and redeemed, making us righteous in the presence of God. This is an act of unearned grace. Though we remain deeply sinful, God's abundant love through Jesus Christ redeems and sustains us. Through no merit of our own, God has proclaimed that we are the beloved, God's own children. As the beloved, we seek to build a world that reflects the dignity and belovedness of all God's children. Though our work will be incomplete, we strive toward building the kingdom of God, on earth as it is in heaven.

#### PRESBYTERY OF THE COASTLANDS MEETING ON ZOOM 1 **TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 2022** 2 3 The stated meeting of the Presbytery of the Coastlands, held on Zoom, on Tuesday, June 28, 2022, was 4 called to order at 6:30pm by the Moderator, Rev. Wendi Werner, who opened the meeting with prayer and 5 acknowledged the land within the Presbytery's geographical bounds taken from the Lenni-Lenape who were 6 indigenous to the land. 7 8 The Personnel Committee of the Board of Trustees has put forth the Rev. Dr. David Torrey to 9 **Motion:** serve as Acting Stated Clerk of the Presbytery. 10 There being no discussion, the vote was conducted. 11 Motion Carried. 12 13 The Moderator asked for and the Acting Stated Clerk declared the presence of a quorum. 14 15 16 ATTENDANCE ROLL OF PRESBYTERY'S COMMISSIONERS 17 18 The Acting Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present. The following ministers were in attendance: 19 20 **Ministers Present:** 21 22 Kyle Anderson 38 Jill Kitsko 54 Paul Quevedo 23 Marie Bacchiocchi 39 James Klotz 55 Nina Reeder 24 Cindy Bowman 40 Marcus Lambright 56 Paul Rhebergen 25 David Bowman 57 Katharine Sakenfeld 41 Jenny Lee 26 Katherine Cunningham 42 Donna Lepsky 58 Len Scales 43 Marcia Lewis 27 Lisa Day 59 Jonathan Seitz 28 Sharyl Dixon 44 Emily Lueder 60 Byron Shafer 29 Kyle Doebler 45 Lauren McFeaters 61 Shannon Smythe 30 Jim Dunson 62 Mark Terranova 46 Gordon Mikoski 63 Glory Thomas 31 Molly Dykstra 47 Nancy Mikoski 32 Gary W Filson 64 Julie Thompson-Barrier 48 Kristie Miles 33 Fred Garry 65 Jeffrey Vamos 49 Lori Neff LaRue 34 Linda Goeddel 66 Wendi Werner 50 Cynthia Parker 35 Karen Hernandez-Granzen 51 Joanne Petto 67 Dave Widmer 68 John L. Williams 36 Chuck Holm 52 Matthew Pigman 53 Victoria (Tory) Pruner 37 Linda Hora 69 Diane Ford **Total:** 49 70 71 **Commissioned Ruling Elders present:** 72 Julissa Alvarez Garcia (Principe de Paz) 73 74 Rick LaFever (East Windsor) **Total:** 2 75 76

**Elder Commissioners present:** 

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Allentown and NJMCAC Nancy Tindall 78 Allentown Presbyterian Church Jeffrey McLaughlin 79

Beth Rigby 80 81

Patrice Law Brick Presbyterian

82	Elder Commissioners pre	esent (cont'd):	
83			Christy Tompkins
84	<b>Ewing Covenant Presbyter</b>	ian Church	Lynn Cornell
85			Will Olson
86	First Presbyterian Church (	•	Ken Gordon
87	First Presbyterian Church of	of Dutch Neck	Greg Slonaker
88			Peggy Redman
89	First Presbyterian Church I	Hamilton Square	Michael Meduski
90	First Presbyterian Church of	of Iselin	Sue Ramirez
91			Elizabeth Christensen
92	First Presbyterian Church of		Lisa Minich
93	First Presbyterian Church of	_	Michael Hora
94	First Presbyterian of Metuc	chen	Paul Gunsser
95			JoAnne Bedenek
96			James Krauszer
97			Gary Ostermueller
98	Forked River Presbyterian,	Forked River	Linda De Lotto
99	Grace of South Brunswick		Peter Godinez
100	Hightstown		Dilys Henninger
101	Hope, Tinton Falls		Steven Buckley
102	Jackson		Linda Van Melis
103	Jamesburg		Diana Chase
104	Kingston Presbyterian Chu	rch	Florence Perren-Diaz
105	Lakewood First	. (1 1	Annemarie Gilman
106	Lakewood Hope Presbyter		Patty Williams
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121	Trinity Presbyterian, East I		Debbie Chen
122	United Presbyterian Church		Barbara Truscinski
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127	Other Elders (Officers, T	rustees, Council	members, and Former Moderators) present:
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129		-	an Church of Yardville
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131	Kurt Kaboth	Church on the Hill, Ocean & Trustee	
132	Jan Margolis	Metuchen	
133	Kathryn Starzer-Farrell	Trinity (East Brunswick)	
134	Walter Vincent	First, Hightstown	
135	Jean Woodman	Hamilton Square, Hamilton, NJ	
136	Delia Zelazny	First Presbyterian Church of Avenel	
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139	Also, in attendance wer		
140	David Torrey	Acting Stated Clerk	
141	Ilene Black	Staff	
142	Rev. Dee Cooper	Gap Presbyter	
143	Marie Luthringer	Staff	
144	Hannah Donoghue	Staff - Tech Human	
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147	<b>Total Attendance:</b>	117	
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149	Pastors excused:	165	
150	Natalie Bell		
151	James Brumm		
152	Linda Joy Chase		
153	Jessica Dixon		
154	George Erlandson		
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156	Douglas Kurtz		
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167	The Moderator then asked the Acting Stated Clerk to explain the rationale for the Enabling Motion		
168	regarding electronic meetings. The Acting Stated Clerk explained that because the Presbytery's By-Laws		
169	and Standing Rules do not address the ability to meet by electronic means, an enabling motion needs to be		
170	adopted to permit Presbytery to meeting electronically. Such a motion needs to be adopted at each		
171	Presbytery meeting until the Standing Rules or By-Laws are amended to provide for the ability to meet via		
172	electronic means. Also, in a subsequent meeting there will be a motion to ratify actions taken by the		
173	presbytery at previous meetings. A question was asked about the Standing Rules for Electronic meetings		
174	as to whether they precluded the use of anonymous ballots. The Acting Stated Clerk reported that the		
175	Standing Rules do not preclude the use of anonymous ballots via the poll feature of Zoom, the Standing		
176	Rules merely provide for the most common non-counted ballot procedures. A call for division would		

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That Presbytery adopt the Enabling Motion and Standing Rules for an Electronic Meeting. **Motion:** (Appendix #1)

require the use of the polling feature for anonymous counted ballots.

183 184	The Moderator requested that Visitors identify themselves and welcomed them to the meeting. She the asked for Pastors to introduce their First Time Commissioners. Presbytery welcomed the First Time	
185	Commissioners.	
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187 188	<b>Motion:</b> That the Rev. Dr. Dee Cooper, member of Denver Presbytery, and the Rev. David Torremember of Trinity Presbytery, be seated as Corresponding Members.	y,
189	Motion Carried.	
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192	WORSHIP	
193	The Worship Team led the presbytery in worship focusing on the importance of laments.	
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196	ADOPTION OF THE DOCKET	
197 198	Following worship the meeting continued with the adoption of the docket presented by Rev. Wendi Werne Moderator of the Gap Council.	r,
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200	<b>Motion:</b> That the Docket be adopted as presented. (Appendix #2)	
201	There being no additions or amendments to the docket,	
202	Motion Carried.	
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204	COMMUNICATIONS AND CONSENT AGENDA	
205	The Stated Clerk presented the Communications Report and the Consent Agenda for Presbytery adoption	l.
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207	Motion: That the Communications and Consent Agenda be adopted as presented. (Appendix #3)	
208	Motion Carried.	
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211	REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  Pay Fred Garry Medicator of the Board of Trustees presented the report of the Board. The Medicator	~ 44
<ul><li>212</li><li>213</li></ul>	Rev. Fred Garry, Moderator of the Board of Trustees presented the report of the Board. The Moderator expressed a word of thanks to the Board of Trustees and the council in securing the services of the Acting	
213 214	Stated Clerk. The Trustees reviewed the report of the Administrative Commission for the Middlesex P	
214	which shared a plan to sell the property to the Middlesex township.	
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217	REPORT OF THE ACTING STATED CLERK	
219	The Acting Stated Clerk reported on some of his activities and his work to get to know individuals an	ыА
220	structures of the new Coastlands Presbytery. He shared his intention to serve with humor and diligence	
221	work with, alongside, and among the members of Coastlands Presbytery.	.0
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224	REPORT OF THE GAP COUNCIL	
225	Moderator Wendi Werner noted that this meeting is Rev. Dr. Dee Cooper's last Presbytery meeting as sh	ıe
226	is accepting a call to serve the Denver Presbytery as their Presbytery leader. Wendi expressed gratitude for	
227	Dee's service and informed the Presbytery that the search process for the next Gap Presbyter is underward	
228	and they are exploring several individuals that are available.	J

**Motion Carried.** 

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Wendi also noted that Vice Moderator Rory Chambers was not in attendance at the meeting due to his

responsibilities as a Commissioner to General Assembly. Council has started discussing a process to explore and develop a mission and vision goals statement that Rory will be leading in the Fall.

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# REPORT OF THE MIDDLESEX ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION

Elder Paul Gunsser presented a report on behalf of the Administrative Commission and to present a request for an amendment to the Warrant for the Middlesex Presbyterian Church dated June 13. A first document from the borough of Middlesex was presented which lays out their proposed use of the property after purchase. An amended Warrant for the Middlesex Presbyterian Church document was presented with the addition of the authority to assume original jurisdiction of the congregation, should that be necessary for the AC to conclude its work.

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That the property of the Middlesex Presbyterian Church be sold to the borough of Middlesex to **Motion:** be used as a Senior Center, Youth Center, and an Emergency Shelter.

Discussion followed.

Ken Gordon (Cranbury) asked if the offer from Middlesex borough had any continencies attached to it. Paul Gunsser replied that it did not. There are no contingencies that the AC is aware of, though there are some issues (DEP and EPA) that the borough is already aware of, since their property has some of the same issues. The offer from the borough is at market value and a good faith offer.

Molly Dykstra asked if there was a sale offer document or inspection document associated with the offer to purchase. There is not a contract at this point. Counsel for the Presbytery has not been retained, but the borough has offered a letter of intent.

Do we have a policy as a Presbytery yet as to what happens with proceeds from a sale of real property like this? Are the funds set aside, do they go into a separate account?

Fred Garry answered on behalf the Trustees. Trustees have put into place a policy on where realized assets go, but the full policy has yet to be developed. The subcommittee is meeting next week to flesh out the policy. At this point there are three paths that funds may follow for investment.

Nancy Tindall asked about the timing of the ultimate sale. Paul responded that both the AC and Middlesex borough are looking toward closing in early to mid-September of this year.

Motion Carried.

Motion:

That the Warrant for the Administrative Commission be amended to include the authority to assume original jurisdiction should such action be necessary. (Appendix #4)

David Redman asked Paul to clarify what exactly the request means. Paul responded that in the attempt to conclude the matters the AC was charged with. The Middlesex Session is currently composed of 3 members for a non-functioning congregation. One of the Session members, who is also the Treasurer, travels extensively throughout the world. As second Session member also travels extensively. As such it has been difficult for the AC to gather required documents and information in a timely manner. The AC hopes not to have to assume original jurisdiction.

Jerry asked if the Middlesex church supports the request as well. Paul answered that the AC does not ask permission of the congregation to assume original jurisdiction. But he added that due to the difficulties previously cited they were requesting the extension of the warrant to include original jurisdiction.

Arthur Hui asked if the Presbytery would assume any additional liability if the AC assumes original jurisdiction. Wendi asked Arthur to restate the question for Paul. Wendi then asked for information from the Stated Clerk. The Stated Clerk responded that assuming original jurisdiction is a normal part of the process of closing and selling congregational property. Also, assumption of liability would only be made if there was no insurance policy in force by the congregation. Brad answered that liability would apply to the Presbytery's insurance policy immediately upon assumption of ownership of the property by the Presbytery.

# **Motion Carried.**

Wendi thanked Paul for his service and presentation this evening.

# SERVICE OF COMMISSIONING FOR GENERAL ASSEMBLY COMMISSIONERS

Moderator Werner indicated there was an oversight in not commissioning of the General Assembly Commissioners prior to the beginning of General Assembly. The following individuals were commissioned by Presbytery for service as Commissioners to General Assembly:

Rev. George Erlandson (Community PC, Edison) in absentia

Rev. Rory Chambers (First PC, Dutch Neck) in absentia

Elder Beth Rigby (Allentown PC)

Elder Dilys Henninger (Hightstown PC)

Molly Boysen - YAAD (Trinity PC, East Brunswick) in absentia

# REPORT OF THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Moderator Kathryn Starzer-Farrell presented the report of the Governance Committee. She presented the following documents for adoption and inclusion in the Manual of Administrative Operations. Wendi indicated that because she has been serving on the Governance Committee, she cannot moderate while being available to answer questions. Therefore, Wendi appointed Elder Jan Margolis as Temporary Moderator.

Kathryn thanked those who have served on the Governance Committee. She indicated that a Town Hall meeting was held Monday night (6/27) for anyone who had questions or concerns about the items being brought for adoption. She shared the graphic of the organization chart for the Presbytery and indicated the roles for consideration at this meeting.

**Motion:** The Governance Committee moves the adoption of the Council document, found on page 12 of the Commissioner's Handbook, for its inclusion in the Manual of Administrative Operations. (Appendix #5)

**Motion Carried.** 

**Motion Carried.** 

**Motion:** The Governance Committee moves the adoption of the Coastlands Treasurer Position Description, found on page 14 of the Commissioner's Handbook, for its inclusion in the Manual of Administrative Operations. (Appendix #6)

**Motion Carried.** 

Motion: The Governance Committee moves the adoption of the Commission on Ministry document, found on page 16 of the Commissioner's Handbook, for its inclusion in the Manual of Administrative Operations. (Appendix #7)

Motion Carried.

**Motion:** The Governance Committee moves the adoption of the Round Table document, found on page 23 of the Commissioner's Handbook, for its inclusion in the Manual of Administrative Operations. (Appendix #8)

Motion: The Governance Committee moves the adoption of the Standing Administrative Commission for the Dissolution of Congregations document, found on page 24 of the Commissioner's Handbook,

for its inclusion in the Manual of Administrative Operations. (Appendix #9)

Molly Dykstra encouraged the continued use of the terminology of dissolution rather than closure.

David Redman asked if the document was meant to establish a group of people who will be formed and available, or if the document is a form that will be used on a case-by-case basis. Wendi responded that the intent is to establish a group of individuals who will be commissioned to be ready to go to work when a congregation seeks dissolution.

Walter Vincent asked about having original jurisdiction as an option or if it is included by default. Wendi answered that each instance of dissolution would require presbytery to instruct the Standing AC to begin its work and the warrant might be adjusted as needed.

**Motion Carried.** 

# REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON MINISTRY

Rev. Nina Reader, Co-Moderator, presented the report for the Commission on Ministry. She welcomed the following Pastors to the Presbytery.

Rev. Kristie Miles (Brick Presbyterian Church) was introduced by the PNC Chair, Mike Kraynick. Kristie greeted the Presbytery.

Rev. Shannon Smythe (United Presbyterian Church of Yardville) was introduced by PNC Moderator, Megan Gadsby. Shannon greeted the Presbytery.

Nina offered a prayer for the new minister members of Presbytery.

In presenting the following motion, Nina addressed the disparity in work hour expectations between the three previous presbyteries. The previous figure of 50 hours per week was not set as an expectation, but was a reported perception by ministers surveyed in the previous New Brunswick Presbytery. COM asks that congregations NOT consider a commensurate reduction in compensation just because of the reduction in work hour calculations.

A question was asked about how to try to ensure that Ministers earn a living wage that allows them to live in the communities which they serve. Is there an awareness of the need for continued work to adjust to help guide congregations in their negotiations? Is the allocation for travel realistic, or is there a plan to make a recommendation for adjustment purposes?

Nina responded to both questions that the Minimum Terms of Call are a starting point.

That the presented documents be approved as the Minimum Terms of Call for Ministers of Word and Sacrament serving in Congregational contexts as well as Certified Ruling Elders for 2022. (Appendix #10)

**Motion Carried.** 

**Motion:** 

### CELEBRATION OF REV. DEE COOPER'S MINISTRY WITH COASTLANDS PRESBYTERY

Wendi began the expression of gratitude for Dee's service among the Presbytery by sharing a video. When the movie Speed came out there were any number of articles about the physical impossibility of the bus making the 50 foot jump. When the previous Presbytery Leader left, Wendi could not imagine that anyone coming in cold from such a distance would have been able to jump the gap in our process. She worked to raise our awareness of what we needed to do to accomplish our own tasks despite our doubts. She has kept our speed steady and our hand on the wheel in order to continue our forward progress. Presbytery gave Dee a gift certificate for a restaurant named L5 in Denver with gorgeous views and fabulous food and hope that she will think of the Presbytery as she dines with new friends. Wendi then offered a prayer of gratitude and thanksgiving for Dee's service with Coastlands and for strength and encouragement in her new call.

Dee then took a moment of personal privilege to address the Presbytery and thank them for the time she has

381	worked with them and the ways in which they have continued to amaze her in their work together. Dee
382	then shared a blessing adapted from John O'Donohue for the Presbytery.
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385	ADJOURNMENT
386	The Presbytery adjourned at 8:30pm with prayer by Rev. Wendi Werner, to reconvene on September 27,
387	2022, at 6:30pm on zoom.
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391	Attested: Rev. David Torrey, Acting Stated Clerk

Appendix #1 392 393 **ENABLING MOTION & PROCEDURES FOR ELECTRONIC MEETING** 394 395 **MOTION:** That for the purpose of this electronic meeting, the Presbytery of Coastlands approve these 396 special rules of order and suspend any standing rules that interfere with them: 397 All information about this meeting of the Presbytery is available through the 398 399 Commissioner's Handbook (previously distributed), and access for voting participants, will be through Zoom. 400 b. Online meeting service availability shall begin at least fifteen minutes before the start of 401 the meeting. 402 403 c. The presence of a quorum shall be established by sign-in to Zoom at the beginning of the 404 meeting. Thereafter, the continued presence of a quorum shall be determined by the online list of participating members. 405 d. While every effort will be made to provide stable access to the platforms, each member is 406 responsible for his or her audio and internet connections; no action shall be invalidated on 407 the grounds that the loss of, or poor quality of, a member's individual connection prevented 408 participation in the meeting. 409 e. In order to be enrolled as participants with voice and/or vote, Commissioners, Minister 410 Members, and Corresponding Members must register through the Presbytery office for the 411 412 meeting. 413 414 SIMPLIFIED SPECIAL RULES OF ORDER AND STANDING RULES 415 For Electronic Meetings Using Video-conferencing Technology 416 The Following Special and Standing Rules are applicable to meetings of Coastlands Presbytery when 417 holding meetings utilizing video-conferencing electronic meeting technology: 418 1. All meetings are recorded. 419 2. Unless the meeting is an otherwise in person meeting to which one or more participants are joined 420 electronically, participants are expected to join the meeting on individual devices (one person, one 421 Should joining on individual devices not be possible, participants may make 422 arrangements to join the meeting as a group. 423 3. Participants are encouraged to join the meeting on a desktop or laptop computer. The following 424 are requirements for such computers: 425 a. High speed internet access. 426 b. Sound output device. While speakers are allowed, this will preferably be a headset, earbuds, 427 or Bluetooth device that delivers the sound directly to the participant's ear rather than into an 428 open room; except for group gatherings. 429 430 c. A microphone device other than a built-in microphone.

5. Only if joining by one or the other of the above options is <u>impossible</u>, participants may dial into the meeting using either a traditional or cellular phone. However, dial-in instructions will not be

4. If joining by computer is not possible, a tablet may be used, using the video-conferencing app,

available from the device's app store. Regarding audio/visual devices, the same requirements and

d. A webcam (preferred, but optional).

preferences exist as for computers.

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provided unless requested ahead of the meeting.

- 6. Upon entering the meeting, those on computers or smart devices will click on the word "participants" and then click on the word "chat" at the bottom of their screens to see a participant chat.
  - a. On entering, please enter in the chat, your name, and your church or validated ministry or your HR status.
  - b. Once "checked-in" to the meeting, microphones will be muted by default.
  - c. To gain recognition, the preferred method is to use the 'Raise Hand' but function under the 'Reactions' panel.
  - d. When called upon by the Moderator, they should unmute their microphones and, if their video feed is turned off, they may click on the camera icon to turn on their webcams.
  - 7. Those entering the meeting via a traditional phone call will enter "\*9" on their keypads, which activates the "raise hand" beside their phone number which is displayed in the participant list. When a host calls out their phone number, they will identify themselves by stating their full name.
  - 8. The staff will be renaming guests. 'ZV-' will be placed at the beginning of your name if you have voice and no vote. 'Z-' will be placed at the beginning of your name if you do not have voice or vote. Please do not remove the ZV- or Z- from your name.
  - 9. The "chat" featurewill be used for seeking recognition. Participants will only be able to chat with meeting host(s) or the Tech Human.
    - a. Please only chat with Moderator for that purpose. The Tech Human is responsible for acknowledging chats.
    - b. If an individual has a Zoom technical question or difficulty, they may private chat with the Tech Human.
    - c. When multiple participants are seeking recognition, once the Moderator has called on someone, all other participants will be handled as the Moderator deems appropriate.
    - d. If you have an "interrupting motion" (a point of order, a request for preference in recognition, etc.), chat again after it has been acknowledged by a host. Please send the chat message in ALL CAPS like "MR/MADAM CHAIR!" and use the 'Raise Hand' function.
    - e. At all times participants are expected to be respectful in the chat.
  - 10. If you have a motion to make other than a procedural motion, the motion should be entered in writing into the participant "chat," then sent to the Moderator, after which you should seek recognition. When called upon, you should move it, and once a second is received via chat (like "Second"), the host(s) will put the motion up in the screen share feature for everyone to see, and then discussion/voting may follow.
  - 11. If you want to speak to a motion, raise your zoom participant hand  $\stackrel{\bullet}{\smile}$  (found when clicking on the Reactions button), and wait for the moderator to recognize you. You will be prompted to unmute yourself. Please make sure your video is on if you wish to speak.
  - 12. The moderator will repeat the motion prior to the vote.
  - 13. Votes will be taken using the green checkmark '♥' and the red '★' in the Reactions button. The green checkmark ♥ indicates you vote 'yes', the red '★' indicates you vote 'no'. If visitors vote (renamed with Z or ZV) that vote will not be counted.

14. A vote by means of "raised hand" (or yes/no /x) is a "division," not a "counted vote" – meaning that the chair will quickly scroll through the list of participants for a sense of how many have voted first in favor, and then against the motion, and rule which side has it. If the chair is uncertain, he or she may order a counted vote – or a member may move that a counted vote be taken (a motion for a counted vote must be seconded, is not debatable, and requires a majority vote).

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486 487		STATED MEETING OF COASTLANDS PR	ESBYTERY June 28, 2022
488 489 490		via Zoom Videoconference	VIII - VI
490 491		AGENDA	
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493 494	6:30 pm	Call to Order, Land Acknowledgement & Opening Prayer	Rev. Wendi Werner, Moderator of Presbytery
495 496 497 498 499 500	6:33 pm	Election of Acting Stated Clerk Declaration of a Quorum Adoption of Enabling Motion & Standing Rules for an Electronic Mee Welcome of Visitors & First Time Commissioners Seating of Corresponding Members	ting
501	6:40 pm	Worship	
502	7:10 pm	Adoption of the Agenda	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
503	7:15 pm	Communications and Consent Agenda	
504	7:20 pm	Report of the Board of Trustees	•
505	7:25 pm	Report of the Acting Stated Clerk	·
506	7:30 pm	Report of the Gap Council	Rev. Wendi Werner, GC Moderator
507 508	7:35 pm	Reports of Administrative Commissions  • Middlesex Presbyterian Church Administrative Commission	Elder Paul Gunsser, AC Member
509	7:40 pm	Service of Commissioning for General Assembly Commissioners	
510 511 512 513 514 515 516	7:50 pm	Report of the Governance Committee Proposals/Recommendations:  Council Coastlands Treasurer Position Description Commission On Ministry Round Table Expert AC on Church Closure	Elder Kathryn Starzer-Farrell, Moderator
517 518 519	8:15 pm	<ul> <li>Report of the Commission on Ministry</li> <li>2022 Minimum Terms of Call</li> <li>Celebration of Ministry &amp; Retirement: Rev. Joseph Hein</li> </ul>	Rev. Jessica Dixon, Co-Moderator
520	8:25 pm	Celebration of Rev. Dee Cooper's Ministry with Coastlands Presbyte	ry
521	8:35 pm	Adjournment with Prayer	Rev. Wendi Werner
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523 524 525		The next Stated Meeting of Coastlands Pr	esbytery Will Be Held
526		Tuesday, September 27	, 2022
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# Appendix #3 COMMUNICATIONS AND CONSENT AGENDA

For June 28, 2022 Stated Meeting of Presbytery

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The following communications have been received since the last meeting of Presbytery. Any actions recommended are indicated in **bold type.** Any particular item may be moved from the Consent Agenda for individual consideration.

## **COMMUNICATIONS:**

- 1. Received communications from the Church Leadership Connection of Minister member Personal Information Forms requiring attestation or re-attestation.
- 2. Received a communication from Rev. Dr. SanDawna Ashley, Synod Transitional Leader for the Synod of the Northeast about training for the Presbytery Leader Search Committee.
- 3. Received documents from Rev. James Hart Brumm, Clerk of the Classis of New Brunswick of the Reformed Church in America, documenting the results and conclusion of the disciplinary case for Justin Karmann.
- 4. Received a communication from Rev. Nancy Talbot, Stated Clerk of the Synod of the Northeast regarding the Synod Assembly on October 20-22 and requesting names of Commissioners and YAADs.
- 5. Received a communication from Tim Cargal requesting names of Ordination Exam Readers the week 550 of May 1-5, 2023.
  - 6. Received a communication from the Board of Pensions of Retirement Initiation for Rev. Joseph Hein effective July 1, 2022.
  - 7. Received a communication from Janelle Baker of Presbyterian Mission Agency, Racial Equity & Women's Intercultural Ministries, requesting nominations for Women working to improve the quality of life for others to be recognized by the agency. Nominations are due by July 22, 2022.
  - 8. Received a communication from the Board of Pensions requesting confirmation that Rev. Samuel Yenn-Batah continues to serve in a validated ministry. Attempts to reach Rev. Yenn-Batah have been unsuccessful.
    - 9. Received a communication from Jayne Culp of the Office of the General Assembly sharing that the GA Offering recipient selected by the Co-Moderators for this year's assembly is *Restorative* Actions an economic justice initiative.

# **CONSENT ITEMS FOR APPROVAL:**

- **MOTION:** That the above communications be received as information. 1.
- 2. **MOTION:** That the following individuals be seated as Corresponding Members:

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- Requests have been made from some ministers seeking excused absences from this Stated Meeting. 3. **MOTION:** That Presbytery refer these requests to the Gap Council.
- 4. **AC - Administrative Commissions** 
  - **A. MOTION:** That the report(s) of the Administrative Commission(s), as found in the handbook, be received as information.
- **COM Commission on Ministry** 575 5.
  - A. MOTION: That the report of the Commission on Ministry, as found in the handbook, be received as information.
  - 6. **CPM - Commission on Preparation for Ministry** 
    - A. MOTION: That the report of the Committee on Preparation for Ministry, as found in the handbook, be received as information.

581	7. MOTION: That the final attendance be reported to the next stated meeting of
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584	Warrant
585	for an
586	Administrative Commission
587	of the Presbytery of Central NJ concerning
588	the Middlesex Presbyterian Church, Middlesex, NJ
589	July 27 2021
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591	For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:
592	a time to be born, and a time to die;
593	a time to plant and a time to pluck up what is planted.
594 595	Ecclesiastes 3: 1-2
596	Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life.
597	Those who believe in me, though they die, will live;
598	and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.
599	John 11: 25-26
500	A commission is empowered to consider and conclude matters referred to it by a governing body. The
501	appointing body shall state specifically the scope of power given to a commission. A commission shall keep
502	a full record of its proceedings, which shall be submitted to its governing body to be incorporated in its
503	minutes and to be regarded as the actions of the governing body itself. (G-3.0109b)
504	The decision of an administrative commission shall be the action of the appointing governing body from
505	the time of its completion by the commission and the announcement, where relevant, of the action to parties
506 507	affected by it. Such decision shall be transmitted in writing to the stated clerk of the governing body, who shall report it to the governing body at its next meeting. A governing body may rescind or amend an action
508	of an administrative commission in the same way actions of the governing body may be modified. (G-
509	3.0109b)
510	The Middlesex Presbyterian Church in Middlesex NJ was chartered in 1962 with 128 members from the
511	surrounding community and by 1965 constructed its own building. By the early 1970's the church had
512	grown to over 300 members.
513	For over 35 years Middlesex Presbyterian Church served its community by operating a nursery school
514	which was well regarded and successful.
515	Throughout its history Middlesex Presbyterian Church developed and provided leadership to both the
516	presbytery and the larger PC(USA) with their then pastor Rev. Dr. Neal Presa serving the denomination as
517	Moderator of the 220th general assembly from 2012-14.
518	Over the years the congregation has been very active in hands on mission projects, sent participants on
519	mission trips, participated in the ministry of Camp Johnsonburg, supported their local crop walk, and been

- a faithful partner and host for many community outreach and self help ministries, such as 12 step programs
- and chaplaincies.
- In recent years the congregation has seen steep decline as members have moved from the area including
- key members of the session and congregation. Following the pandemic year the director of the nursery
- school announced their retirement and the session felt that they no longer have the people power to continue
- to engage the community and maintain the affairs and property of the church. As they have reevaluated
- things following the pandemic, they are tired and don't have the energy to continue.
- As a result of that process the Session of Middlesex Presbyterian Church, at its meeting on July 7th, 2021
- requested of the "Central" Presbytery the formation of an AC to help them conclude the affairs of Middlesex
- Presbyterian Church, to figure out a legacy and plan for the property, taking into account the other ministries
- which currently use the well maintained and sacred space, and to work with them to find a new church
- 631 home where members can continue to grow spiritually.
- This motion is a request that the Presbytery of Central NJ at its Special Called Meeting on July 27, 2021,
- create and empower an Administrative Commission. This Administrative Commission shall have the power
- to conclude the following actions:

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- 1. To dissolve Middlesex Presbyterian Church.
- 2. To provide for the continuing spiritual and pastoral care of the remaining members of the Middlesex Presbyterian Church.
- 3. To help as requested by the members to identify a new home where they might transfer their membership en-masse or facilitating ways to continue certain ministries under other structures. While the ministry of Middlesex Presbyterian Church in this form is coming to an end, God is not through with these disciples, and they understand their faith journey to still be interconnected. The nature of this connection and path forward will require ongoing discernment.
  - 4. To transfer members of Middlesex Presbyterian Church to other congregations and to provide for pastoral care for those who do not wish to or are unable to transfer their membership.
  - 5. To grant letters of dismissal to members for those who have not found a new church after a period of one year.
- 6. To assume original jurisdiction of the Session of the Middlesex Presbyterian Church as required to enable the Administrative Commission to act on matters that require such jurisdiction.
- 7. To take possession of all real and personal property of the Middlesex church along with financial records and inventories of equipment and to oversee transfer of all real property and accounts to the Presbytery.
- 8. To ensure that bills are paid, the property is maintained and secured, and adequate insurance coverage is in place. In addition, the AC shall work with the groups currently using the facility, including 12 step fellowships, Grace Christian Fellowship and other programs which use the building to insure that their vital work is cared for.

- 656 9. To consult with the Session or its representatives regarding requests the congregation may have 657 relating to the disposition of equipment, memorials and other property, honoring them where 658 possible and to retain such for future use at the discretion of the Presbytery.
- 10. To assert the claim of the Presbytery to any property of the Middlesex Presbyterian Church congregation not known at this time or property which may come as beneficiary of a will or trust not known at this time.
- 11. To assert that the Middlesex Presbyterian Church property remains a vital asset to the ministry of the Presbytery of Central NJ and to hold prayer services on the property.
- 12. To discern, in consultation with the COM, the future use of the real property and in the event that the decision is to sell the property, to carry out that sale.
  - 13. To determine uses for the various funds of Middlesex Presbyterian Church, including the manse fund, which honor the ministry and legacy of Middlesex Presbyterian Church and build up the ministry and witness of the PC(USA.)
- 669 14. To transfer to the Stated Clerk for forwarding to Presbyterian Historical Society all official records 670 of the congregation. Other historical records shall be transferred to the stated clerk for storage or 671 transfer to PHS at their direction.
- 15. To complete any additional tasks necessary to close the corporation of the church.
- 16. To see that the ministry and faithful history of the Middlesex Presbyterian Church are suitably celebrated in a service of worship.
- In undertaking these actions, the Administrative Commission shall be sensitive to the memory, heritage, and concerns of the members of the Middlesex Presbyterian Church.
- The Administrative Commission shall invite at least one representative of the Middlesex Presbyterian Church to participate in its work with voice but without vote.
- Membership in this Administrative Commission shall be by appointment of the moderator of the Interim
- 680 COM, in consultation with the acting stated clerk. It shall include at least 3 members and appointments
- shall be announced at the next stated meeting of the Presbytery.
- This Administrative Commission shall report its actions to a future Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of
- 683 Central NJ. They shall provide the Presbytery with interim reports semi-annually and their warrant shall
- conclude with the completion of the above delegated tasks.
- Rev. Sue Smith, Acting Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Central NJ
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588 589	Appendix #5
590	COUNCIL
591 592 593 594 595	The Council represents the ministries and congregations of the Presbytery of the Coastlands and has responsibility for the coordination and program of the Presbytery. Consequently, it has the primary responsibility for determining the support needed by member congregations and ministries; engaging in strategic planning; and developing policies for the Presbytery.
596	Composition
597	The Council shall be composed of seven voting members:
598 599 700 701 702 703 704 705 706 707 708 709 710 711 712 713 714 715 716 717 718 719 720 721 722 723	<ul> <li>Moderator of the Presbytery</li> <li>Six (6) at-large members in three equal classes.</li> <li>Ordinarily at the first meeting of each calendar year, the Presbytery shall elect each atlarge member for a term of three years. The Committee on Representation shall nominate candidates; nominations from the floor will be entertained.</li> <li>Each nominated individual shall be a Ruling Elder or a Teaching Elder.</li> <li>Every effort shall be made by the Committee on Representation to establish a balance between Teaching Elders and Ruling Elders.</li> <li>No more than one individual associated with a particular congregation at the time of their election (Teaching Elder or Ruling Elder) shall serve as an at-large member of the Council.</li> <li>In the event of a vacancy, the Committee on Representation shall nominate, ordinarily at the first Presbytery meeting following the vacancy, a candidate to fill the remainder of the term; nominations from the floor will be entertained.</li> <li>No at-large member of the Council shall serve for consecutive tenns, either full or partial, aggregating more than six years. An at-large elected member of the Council, having served a total of six years, shall be ineligible for reelection to the Council for a period of at least one year.</li> <li>Ruling Elders who are members of the Council shall have voice and vote at Presbytery meetings.</li> <li>The Vice Moderator of the Presbytery and Past Moderator are invited, as available, to participate as members ex-officio, without vote</li> <li>The Stated Clerk and Presbytery Leaders shall be members ex-officio, without vote.</li> <li>The Moderator of the Presbytery shall be the moderator of the Council</li> <li>The Stated Clerk shall provide polity interpretation and keep minutes of the Council.</li> <li>The Council shall identify one of its members to serve on the Committee on Representation</li> </ul>
725	Responsibilities
726	The responsibilities of the Council include, but are not limited to:
727 728 729	<ul> <li>leading the Presbytery in discerning and defining the nature of its vision and mission</li> <li>serving as the guardian and interpreter of that mission to the Presbytery as a whole</li> <li>discerning and communicating the priorities that shape the work of the Presbytery</li> </ul>

- acting on behalf of the Presbytery in ways defined in the Manual of Administrative
  Operations
  - nominating to Presbytery candidates for the Committee on Representation.
  - ensuring clear communication about the work of the Presbytery as a whole
  - recommending to the Presbytery the creation or elimination of Presbytery Commissions and Committees; approving the creation of Presbytery Working Groups, teams, or task forces
  - hearing proposals from and making proposals to the Trustees regarding budget priorities and to recommend jointly with the Trustees an annual budget for Presbytery
  - aiding the Moderator, Presbytery Leaders, and Stated Clerk in planning the Presbytery meeting, including, but not limited to planning and discerning the docket and shaping the worship service in coordination with the Worship Team
  - Council Meetings

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- o Ordinarily the Council shall meet monthly.
- o The Moderator may invite members of the Presbytery to meetings to call Council's attention to particular matters.
- Communications
  - o In the event of inquiries from the press, the Council will provide consultation to the Presbytery Leader spokesperson
  - o Approval of Presbytery Minutes: The minutes of Presbytery meetings shall be reviewed by Council, which shall recommend their approval to the Presbytery with any additions or changes.
  - o Provide reports to the Presbytery at every stated meeting by sharing Council minutes with the Presbytery and providing such further detail as may be prudent.
- In case of emergency, acting in the name and with the power and authority of Presbytery between meetings, except in those matters that the Form of Government does not permit presbyteries to delegate, and except for those powers otherwise delegated to the Trustees, Commission on Ministry or the Commission on Preparation for Ministry. Presbytery may adopt a policy specifying and restricting matters in which the Council may or may not act for Presbytery. Any emergency action shall be communicated to the whole Presbytery, both by posting on the Presbytery website and by reporting on the floor of the next gathered meeting of Presbytery.

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765	PRESBYTERY OF THE COASTLANDS
766	TREASURER
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768	POSITION DESCRIPTION: The treasurer shall ensure full and accurate accounts of all
769	funds and securities of the Presbytery of the Coastlands.
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770	RESPONSIBILITIES:
771	• Recommend to Trustees accounting policies for the receipt, care, and disbursement of
772	Presbytery funds.
773	• Ensure the receipt, care, and disbursement of money is consistent with accepted Presbytery
774	policies.
775	• Provide regular financial reports to the Presbytery, Council, Trustees, Presbytery entities
776	and staff, as appropriate.
777	• Resource the Board of Trustees, providing advice and management of Presbytery assets
778	and to execute the Trustees' decisions.
779	• Manage the process to solicit and compile budget information from the various entities
780	within the Presbytery. Draft the annual budget in conjunction with the Board of Trustees.
781	• Present unaudited year-end financial reports to the Trustees, Council and Presbytery as
782 783	<ul> <li>soon after the end of the fiscal year as practicable.</li> <li>Present annually to the Trustees, Council and Presbytery, the year end audit or financial</li> </ul>
784	• Present annually to the Trustees, Council and Presbytery, the year end audit or financial review.
785	• Oversee the insurance program of the Presbytery and report any concerns to the Stated
786	Clerk and Trustees.
787	• Serve as the liaison with the financial advisor for the Presbytery monitoring of actual
788	portfolio performance.
789	• Present per capita apportionment, the status of general mission pledges, and other funds as
790	recorded in the reports.
791	RELATIONSHIPS:
792	The Treasurer is accountable to the Presbytery through the Council, attending Council
793	meetings when requested.
794	• The Treasurer is an ex-officio member of the Board of Trustees with voice, but no vote at
795	meetings.
796	• As an officer of the Presbytery, the Treasurer has voice and vote at Presbytery meetings.
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798	TERMS:
799	• The Treasurer must be eligible for membership in the Presbytery of the Coastlands.
800	• Upon nomination by the Committee on Representation, the Treasurer shall be elected by
801	the Presbytery at the last Stated Meeting of the Presbytery for the year. The term of office
802	is three years and commences on January first after election. The Treasurer may be elected
803	to an indefinite number of terms.
804	• This position is a volunteer position, estimated to be 10 hours per month.

# **DESIRABLE SKILLS:**

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• Understanding of generally accepted accounting procedures, basic investment

807	matters, tax and benefit issues as they pertain to teaching elders, churches and their other
808	employees, including benefits provided by the Board of Pensions and other PC(U.S.A.)
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- An openness to continuing education opportunities provided by the Presbytery or PC(U.S.A.) agencies.
  Ability to establish collegial relationships with the Presbytery staff, Trustees, and
- Council.

815 816	Appendix #7
817	COMMISSION ON MINISTRY
818 819 820 821	Presbyteries shall be open at all times to communication regarding the life and ministry of their congregations. Each presbytery shall develop and maintain mechanisms and processes to serve as pastor and counselor to its Ministers of the Word and Sacrament commissioned
822 823 824 825 826 827	pastors (also known as Commissioned Ruling Elders), and Certified Christian Educators of the presbytery; to facilitate the relations between the presbytery and its congregations, ministers of the Word and Sacrament, commissioned pastors, and certified Christian educators; and to settle difficulties on behalf of the presbytery where possible and expedient. (Refer to PC(U.S.A.) Book of Order G-3.0307)
828 829 830 831 832 833	The Commission on Ministry (COM) is responsible for the health of ministry in the presbytery, attending to the well-being of congregations and their faithfulness in responding to God's call to them as well as the nurture, support and professional development of church professionals, including Ministers of the Word and Sacrament, Certified Christian Educators (CCE), Commissioned Ruling Elders (CRE)." ( <a href="https://sangabpres.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/comhandbook.pdf">https://sangabpres.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/comhandbook.pdf</a> page 1-2)
834 835	Responsibilities:
836	COM shall:
837	· Support and walk with all congregations, ministries, Ministers of Word and Sacrament,
838	CREs, and CCEs in the Presbytery of the Coastlands.
839	• Provide liaisons congregations, ministries, Ministers of Word and Sacrament, CREs, and
840	CCEs who serve as pastoral and guiding presences. available as a pastoral presence.
841 842	• Connect congregations to the necessary training, facilitation, or resources for needs within their context, and to encourage the connections between the congregation, COM, Presbytery
843	and helpful resources, harnessing the power of our identity as a connectional church.
844	<ul> <li>Maintain and implement the policies concerning</li> </ul>
845	o Minimum Compensation for the Presbytery for Installed Ministry in a congregation,
846	both full and part-time
847	o Minimum Compensation for the Presbytery for Temporary or Contract ministry in a
848	congregation, both full and part-time
849 850	<ul> <li>Pulpit supply and moderator guidelines, standards for honoraria</li> <li>Receiving a pastor from another denomination</li> </ul>
851	o Process and approval for Administrative Commissions for Ordination and Installation
852	services
853	o Process for receiving new minister members/transfer of membership into the presbytery
854	o Covenants of closure
855	o Parish Associate(s): relationship, contract, annual evaluation, and closure
856	o Other policies as needed or required by the Presbytery, Synod or General Assembly.
857	o Policies and processes for validating ministries outside of congregational contexts
858	o Process for reviewing ministers serving in specialized ministers on an annual basis and
859	evaluating the ministries in which they serve

• COM will conduct as part of its work

- o Bring examinations for Ordination to the presbytery when an individual receives a call within our bounds
- o Exit interviews for Sessions, Ministers and CREs when a pastor departs
- o Development of a process for conversation/engagement with Pastor Nominating Committees
- o Interviews of Ministers entering the Presbytery or accepting a new call
- o Work with any Minister and congregation to create then approve the Administrative Commission for an Ordination or Installation.
- o Celebrations of retirement
- o Annual training of regular and ad hoc COM members
- The presbytery may delegate authority to the COM to address or accomplish various tasks on presbytery's behalf. Please see link for <u>COM List of Delegated Work</u>.

# The COM strives in its work towards the following goals:

- To be pastoral in its understanding and how it engages with congregations and ministers.
- Not only to be present when a congregation or minister needs something or there is a need to offer correction or guidance, but also to be in relationship regularly with all congregations and ministers.
- To be a hub for sharing resources and connecting churches and ministers who might have similar needs or making connections to do ministry together.
- To be in partnership with the Ministry Resource Committee as we work with ministers and ministries to identity necessary resources.

# Structure for the Commission on Ministry of the Presbytery of the Coastlands

The Commission on Ministry of the Presbytery of the Coastlands consists of a balanced group of Ministers of Word and Sacrament and Ruling Elders to serve as connectional partners of the Presbytery to each congregation, ministry of the presbytery, and Minister (including those serving in Specialized Ministries, those who are Honorably Retired, and those whose status is minister at large) and CREs. COM will have the responsibility to ensure through its framework to build relationships with congregations and ministers through regular contact and periodic visits and to report back to COM any requirements as far as needed resources, transitions, or conflicts that might need more directed or specialized support or intervention.

As part of COM's framework, a team of liaisons who may be but not necessarily elected members of COM will serve, and be tasked by COM to care for and partner with the Congregations, Ministries, CREs and Ministers of the Presbytery in the below enumerated ways. There will be other specialized teams constituted by the COM that will fulfill particular tasks and require specialized training.

# Membership of COM

• COM will have 18 members elected by the presbytery with a goal of parity between ruling and teaching elders in three classes.

Specialized Teams, striving fair representation and balance between elders and ministers (not necessarily elected members of COM). Members are to be approved by the whole of the COM, with view towards suitability for specific teams/tasks. Teams are to be evaluated annually.

- A team of 5, including at least one elected COM member and/or 1 minister active in Specialized Ministries outside of a congregational context to support those who serve in Specialized Ministries outside of congregational contexts to tend to the specific tasks of support and oversight as well as to establish cohorts and serve as liaisons for ministers in these categories.
- A team of 5, including at least one elected COM member, to support those who are Honorably Retired and At Large to tend to the specific tasks of support and oversight as well as to establish cohorts and serve as liaisons for ministers in these categories.
- A rotating team of 2 to 3 members, including at least one elected COM member, to coordinate a fit interview, conduct that interview, prepare candidates to appear before presbytery, shepherd them through the installation and ordination process.
- A team of 3 to 5 members who are trained in the interim/transition process to walk with churches through those processes
- A team of 3 to 5 people to work with any congregation working to hire any Minister around just compensation, minimums, and Board of Pensions benefits.
- A team of 3 to 6 members to provide mediation in congregational conflict. These members will be provided with training recommended by the presbytery.
- A team of 3 to 5 members to facilitate conversations and provide information and resources to congregations around merging, yoking, and other creative possibilities for transformation.

# Role of elected COM members:

- Attend regular meetings to complete the work commissioned to COM by the presbytery.
- Serve 3 4 Congregations doing the work of or overseeing the liaisons
- Set guidelines, create and disseminate the documents and ensure their proper completion and submission.
- Oversee and coordinate with sub-teams to set goals, provide training and clarify processes.
- Act as a communication hub for sub-teams, congregations, and ministers both to and from the presbytery, including reporting any actions and ministry transitions to presbytery on a regular basis.
- Elect among themselves at least two moderators.

## Section Internal to COM Manual

- As a liaison to a congregation
  - o Identify with the rest of COM a cohort of 3 congregations who can be shepherded as they navigate similar circumstances. Such circumstances could include similar geographic location, similar size of congregation, similar aspirations/goals of the congregation.
  - o Initially visit with the pastor(s) or commissioned lay pastor and staff (including DCEs) of each church in their cohort.
  - o Initially visit the sessions of each congregation at a regular meeting to introduce themselves and their role with the church.

- o Establish a monthly meeting time for the cohort to check in with the cohort of pastors, commissioned lay pastors, and DCEs of the congregations. Guide those conversations as they pertain to shared questions, needs, or ministries.
  - o Establish a relationship with the clerks of each session. Check-in periodically.
  - o Pray for the congregations.

- o When a need arises like a pastoral transition, a conflict, contract negotiation, or other technical need, refer this back to COM to find the appropriate way to address the need.
- o Participate in the regular review of validated ministers serving in congregational contexts
- o Oversee recognition of and offer prayers for retiring ministers in their cohort
- Meet bi-monthly with the cohort of liaisons for your area. These cohorts will be 4 liaisons for the churches in a geographic area. The cohort will meet to discuss possible bridges, common needs, or other ways churches might connect to do ministry or support one another.
- Attend regular COM meetings and coordinate and communicate the needs, gifts and any helpful resources to the congregations you walk alongside.
- Serve on one of the small teams.

Liaison to Ministers serving in Specialized Ministries, Honorably Retired Ministers, and Ministers at-large

- Be a duly elected member of COM
- Serve as a liaison to a cohort of 10-15 ministers serving in specialized ministries, honorably retired ministers, and ministers at-large
- Have quarterly touch points with ministers in the cohort and arrange annual/semi-annual meetings of the cohorts
- Serve on a COM team responsible for reviewing applications for validation of ministries outside of congregational contexts and making recommendations to the larger COM
- Conduct the regular reviews (in accordance with presbytery policy) of those serving in validated ministries outside of congregational contexts and assess their participation in the life of the presbytery on an annual basis
- For ministers serving in specialized ministries, arrange to tour their ministry context and learn about the ministry they provide
- Pray for the members of your cohort and those to and with whom they minister

# Interim/Transition (5 members)

- Be trained in interim /transition work or have significant experience.
- Be conversant in Presbytery of the Coastlands policy and process for pastoral transition.
- Be prepared to work with congregations on o The departure of a pastor
  - o Ensuring moderating and preaching are covered for a gap time
  - o The various kinds of ways churches may choose to have pastoral leadership for a transition including full and part-time, interim work, more significant transitions before a new pastor is hired, pulpit supply instead of a regular pastoral role, pastors for a designated term. So that you can advise churches on how to proceed with finding their transition leader
  - o Transitional pastor contract negotiations including how the Board of Pensions coverage may differ for a transitional leader from an installed leader. Refer to the contract group for assistance as needed.

- o The tasks once an interim is in place. This includes helping reinforce for the congregation that it takes time to move through a transition and helping to calm anxiety.
  - o Knowing the Presbytery resources available when the interim or congregation may have questions about finances, worship resources, education, mission, training or whatever resources might be useful (this could be a manual or list)
  - o The mission study or a process and the multiple ways to do it, and the consultants who are available for congregations, including what COM will be looking for in the report.
  - o Advice for Nominating Committee on calling a PNC.
  - o Advice for Session on setting a budget for the PNC, travel expenses for candidates and the pastor once called, and setting their terms of call range.
  - o Training the PNC for their work:
    - Choosing a PNC structure: moderator, secretary, communicator, other roles,
    - Familiarity with the CLC and interpreting it to the PNC,
    - Good but confidential communication with Session and the congregation,
    - The flow of the prayerful process (don't rush!),
    - Creating a MIF,

- Avoiding discrimination in the process,
- Adapting the Mission Study to the MIF,
- Choosing a process for interviews and communication with candidates,
- A mock interview once the MIF is complete and approved by session and COM,
- Be prepared if a PNC asks about calling a candidate that will be newly ordained or who is from another denomination,
- Contract negotiations (refer to the contract team as necessary) Compensation team
- Be conversant in Presbytery of the Coastland minimums for salary, benefits, leave, reimbursables, vacation, and continuing education.
- Be familiar with PC(USA) polity requirements regarding the provision of benefits, the Board of Pensions' A Theology of Benefits, the various benefits programs and plans offered by the Board of Pensions and their eligibility requirements, including Pastor's Participation, Minister's Choice, and additional optional benefits including dental, vision, 403b and others.
- Be aware of cost of living or find access to this information for the area a church is located in to help them understand what fair compensation would be. (ensure cost of living calculator used includes ALL pertinent expenses, esp. food and healthcare which are not always factored in.)
- Be aware of pastoral compensation offered at other comparable congregations in the community.
- Review position descriptions in light of the compensation being offered to ensure that the covenant is a just and fair one. Propose appropriate adjustments as needed.
- Conduct annual review of ministers' compensation to ensure there is racial, ethnic, and gender equity.

### Mediation team

- Have training in conflict mediation including cultural proficiency.
- Be aware of the polity of the PC(USA) and the Presbytery of the Coastlands so that clarity can be present as to required or helpful processes or options towards resolution.
- Be a pastoral presence in all mediations, offering prayer and reflection in the midst of often difficult conversations.

# Size change and transformation team

- Be aware of all the possible options when a church is discerning that it is no longer able to do ministry as it is. This should include:
  - o Moving from full to part-time
  - o Yoking
  - o Sales of property
  - o Merging
  - o Closing

# Ordination support team

- Understand the theology and polity of the PC(USA) as well as policy and processes of the Presbytery of the Coastlands.
- Take responsibility for working with CPM to ensure there is are consistent expectations communicated regarding Statements of Faith.
- Provide initial review of statements of faith and other required documentation to ensure all is in order in advance of it being forwarded to the wider committee.
- Connect with candidates in advance of the meeting to provide an overview of the COM process.
- Provide prayers for those serving in validated ministries outside of a congregational context when they are approved for ordination.

# Installation team or point person

- Understand the process for installation, what paperwork is involved, and its purpose.
- Offer support and clear communication to any pastor benign installed including awareness of what Ministers and Ruling Elders may be available to serve on Installation Commissions if the pastor needs assistance filling their commission.
- Coordinate with the candidate, the Presbytery office, and the Moderator(s) to ensure the date of an installation works in the Presbytery calendar.
- Clearly communicate to the candidate that COM needs to have their completed commission paperwork at least 3 days prior to the stated COM meeting ahead of their Installation for approval.

It is expected that these teams will only become involved at the request of COM and the liaison to a particular congregation and minister, or will be in direct communication with COM as to those situations where the COM has not engaged the team directly. Liaisons will continue to serve the congregations alongside these teams and the team should coordinate with the liaison and work together to provide the needed resources and support for the congregation.

1078	Appendix #8
1079	The Round Table
1080 1081 1082 1083 1084	The Round Table is a representational gathering of leadership across the Presbytery of the Coastlands. The purposes of mutual understanding, knowledge of the work of greater whole upbuilding, accountability and above all else, prayer so love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight so as to determine what is best and that we may stand firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel (Philippians 1:9-10a, 27).
1085	<u>Membership</u>
1086	Membership of the Round Table shall include:
1087 1088 1089 1090 1091 1092 1093 1094 1095 1096	<ul> <li>Presbytery Moderator (as representative of Council)</li> <li>Commission on Ministry Chair</li> <li>Commission on Preparation for Ministry Chair</li> <li>Ministry Resource Committee Chair (Presbytery Vice Moderator)</li> <li>Personnel Committee Chair</li> <li>President of Trustees</li> <li>Committee on Representation Chair</li> <li>Immediate Past Presbytery Moderator</li> <li>Presbytery Co-Leaders</li> <li>Stated Clerk</li> </ul>
1097 1098	In the event there are co-chairs of a commission/committee, only one will represent that group The Presbytery Co-Leaders and Stated Clerk have voice, but no vote.
1099	Responsibilities
1100	<ul> <li>Hold all celebrations and concerns up in prayer.</li> </ul>
1101 1102	<ul> <li>Review or make proposals to the Presbytery which change the permanent or short- term staffing plan in the Manual of Administrative Operations.</li> </ul>
1103 1104	<ul> <li>Proposed changes to the Manual of Administrative Operations or By-laws must come through the Round Table.</li> </ul>
1105 1106 1107	<ul> <li>The round table is responsible and accountable for the Presbytery Staffing design and recommendations to Presbytery; it will consult with the Personnel Committee in exercising this responsibility.</li> </ul>
1108 1109 1110 1111 1112 1113 1114	<ul> <li>Receive reports from each chair and the Trustee president on the work of the presbytery including but not limited to vacant pulpits and other matters related to the status of local congregations; issues pertinent to specialized ministries and 1001 Worshiping communities; vacancies within presbytery committee and commission leadership, property issues, the financial condition of the presbytery and general status of inquirers and candidates under the care of the body, and any joys or concerns as they pertain to the Presbytery</li> </ul>
1115	<ul> <li>Meet at least four times a year.</li> </ul>
1116 1117 1118	<ul> <li>The Immediate Past Presbytery Moderator will moderate the meetings. In the event the Past Moderator is unable to serve, the current Moderator will moderate the meetings.</li> </ul>

# Appendix #9

# 1121 STANDING ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION

# FOR THE DISSOLUTION OF CONGREGATIONS

The work of the Church within our missional community is carried out through a variety of organized forms including but not limited to validated ministries, seminaries, new worshiping communities, and congregations. Congregations are the church "engaged in the mission of God in its particular context." (G-1.0101) A congregation refers to a fonnally organized community chartered and recognized by a presbytery, and each of its members put themselves under the leadership of its session and the higher councils, including its presbytery of membership. (G-1.0103). Congregations, while possessing all the gifts necessary to the church are nonetheless not sufficient in themselves to be the Church. Rather, they are called to share with others both within and beyond the congregation the task of bearing witness to the Lordship of Jesus Christ in the world. It is the particular responsibility of the presbytery as a council of the church to nurture, guide and govern those who witness as part of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), to the end that such witness strengthens the whole church and gives glory to God. (G-3.0101)

- Presbyteries are responsible to ensure the Word of God is truly preached and heard, that the Sacraments are rightly administered and received, and that they nurture the covenant community of disciples of Christ. They have a particular responsibility to coordinate, guide, encourage, support and resource the work of their congregations for the effective witness to the broader community.
- After a season of discernment and partnered conversations with networks of support within the presbytery, it may be determined by a congregation that its church has entered into a season of conclusion and should move towards closure so that its ministry and members may find new life in new places. In these cases, a congregation may determine its legacy, choosing to dissolve.
- The presbytery shall elect a standing Administrative Commission for the purpose to assist, care, and administer responsibilities for dissolution of congregations, as follows:
  - 1. There shall be five members elected for terms of three years. Members may be reelected to serve no more than 6 consecutive years. If possible, within the membership of the AC there may be a wide range of experience and background, including pastoral and congregational care, church closures, knowledge of real estate and accounting/finance.
    - The presbytery, may from time to time, elect or remove members from this commission, ensuring that it continues to meet the requirements of G-3.0109b.
    - The Administrative Commission may invite at least one representative of the congregation to participate in its work with that congregation with voice but without vote.
  - 2. The Commission shall be granted the following powers and responsibilities:
    - a. If appropriate, assume original jurisdiction of the session, on behalf of the presbytery, after providing members of the congregation an opportunity to be heard as set forth in G-3.0303e.
    - b. Undertake information-gathering and discernment as follows:

1168	and:
1169	a) Conduct a financial review of the congregation's books.
1170	b) Determine location and balance of all accounts.
1171	c) With any endowment or memorial accounts, determine if there are
1172	any bequest stipulations.
1173	d) Determine any outstanding debts/obligations.
1174	e) Identify, inventory and assess the value of all real property and
1175	furnishings/contents owned by the congregation, including any
1176	deed restrictions or stipulations
1177 1178	c. Dissolve the congregation, on behalf of the presbytery, at a date of its detennination, with attention to the following tasks:
1179 1180	1) Obtain all Session minutes, church registers, and other records for transfer to the presbytery and eventual deposit with the Presbyterian Historical Society.
1181	2) Consult with the session and congregation to determine if they wish to
1182	memorialize their congregation and its history of Presbyterian and Reformed
1183	mission and ministry through gifts aligned with presbytery policy to
1184	particular Presbyterian mission and ministry, the Presbytery, Synod or
1185	General Assembly, making recommendations to the presbytery and its
1186	Trustees for the eventual dispersal of accounts and property.
1187 1188	3) Following the dissolutions, transfer any remaining balances to the Presbytery and close all remaining accounts.
1189	4) Recommend to the Presbytery, if necessary, terms for the dissolution of
1190 1191	the pastoral call. (Dissolution of a pastoral call may not be delegated to the commission.)
1192 1193	5) Plan and, as appropriate, lead an appropriate final service of worship for the congregation in its place of worship.
1194	6) Plan and lead an appropriate celebration of the congregation and its ministry
1195	at the next stated meeting of Presbytery, during which the records may be
1196	symbolically handed to the Stated Clerk.
1197	7) Assist the congregation in selling the church property in consultation with
1198	the Board of Trustees, and in conversation with the Round Table.
1199	a) Determine if any furnishings or contents might continue in
1200	Christian mission and ministry within the presbytery.
1201	b) Arrange for the disposition of furnishings not needed by the presbytery
1202	and, in consultation with the congregation, determine if any furnishings
1203	are to be used to create a memorial to the work of the congregation at
1204	another location within the presbytery.
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1) Obtain all session and congregational minutes, records, documents,

2) Identify and assess the financial status and relevant outstanding financial

committees, employee and other material the commission deems necessary

obligations including per capita payments that may be owed by the church

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to do its work.

1205 1206 1207		8) Should the congregation be dissolved before acceptable purchasers of the building can be found, secure the legal rights to the properties and provide for its ongoing care, including:
208 209 210		a) Secure a clear title to the property in consultation with the Trustees, determine if there is no obvious presbytery use of the properties, and list the properties for sale.
211		b) Transfer title of the property to the Coastlands Presbytery.
212 213		c) Have the property listed on the Presbytery's property and liability msurance coverage.
214 215		d) Assure the integrity of the legal corporate status of the church. If incorporated, secure the local Articles of Incorporation.
216 217		e) Detennine which utilities should remain connected and which may be disconnected and make these arrangements with the proper companies.
218 219		f) Arrange with the Presbytery's financial administrator for any ongoing utility payments.
220 221		g) Secure the building and make provision for any continued use of the property by groups, previously hosted by or renting from the church.
222 223		h) Make provisions for a caretaker until the final disposition of the property, including mowing the lawn and maintenance of any sidewalks.
224 225	d.	Assist the members in transferring their membership to another PC(USA) congregation, if desired.
226 227	e.	Consult, as necessary, with the Commission on Ministry at all stages of the outlined process.
228 229	f.	Document all actions taken in detail in both its own minutes and, when exercising the duties of session, in the minutes of Sessions.
230	g.	Report to Coastlands Presbytery all actions taken.