

703rd

STATED MEETING OF THE
PRESBYTERY OF
HUNTINGDON

WARD AVENUE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Altoona, PA

September 27, 2022

6:00 P.M.

This meeting will be hybrid: You may participate either in person or via ZOOM: Please pre-register your choice with Office Administrator Susan Ferguson.

REMINDER: Session Records Review October 5 & 12 in clusters

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DIRECTIONS TO WARD AVENUE:

From all directions: Take I-99 to the Frankstown Road exit (Exit 32). Turn toward Altoona on Frankstown Road.

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SESSION RECORDS REVIEW

OCTOBER 5, 9:30 A.M.
IN CLUSTERS

OCTOBER 12, 9:30 A.M
AT PINE GROVE MILLS
FOR
CENTRE REGION AND MAKEUP

**DOCKET FOR 703rd STATED MEETING
THE PRESBYTERY OF HUNTINGDON
WARD AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, ALTOONA, PA
& ZOOM
September 27th, 2022
6:00 p.m.**

**No meal. Masks are optional.
Please stay home and ZOOM if you
are ill.**

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| 6:00 Convene with prayer and worship
Offering for Volunteers in Mission
Installation of General Presbyter
[pp. 8-9] | Bylaws amendment |
| 6:50 Introductions & welcome: | 7:50 Committee on Ministry [Nancy Bostian]
[pp. 14-18]
Calls & Contracts
Stephanie Weaver
Scott Andrews & McVeytown
Jimmy Hopper & Clearfield
Mapleton AC |
| 6:55 Adoption of docket & consent agenda
[pp. 6-7] | 8:10 CoPL (Beth Raney, Carl Campbell) [pp.
19-22]
2023 per capita
2023 budget
2023 Presbytery dates |
| 7:00 Minutes review [Pat Roller]
June 28 stated, July 26 special | 8:20 General Presbyter (Kate Sillman) |
| 7:05 Auditor Report [Boyer & Ritter]
David Bourne, 2021 financial review
report | 8:25 Stated Clerk (Ginny Rainey) [p. 23] |
| 7:15 Treasurer's Report [Carl Campbell] | 8:30 New business |
| 7:20 Multi Media Resource Center | 8:35 Announcements |
| 7:25 Visioning Team (Leanne Peters)
[pp. 10-11]
Manual revision (1 st reading) | 8:40 Adjournment |
| 7:30 Nominating Committee [pp. 12-13] | Next meeting: State College, Saturday,
November 5, 2022, 9:30 a.m. & ZOOM |
| 7:40 JCRC report [p. 13] | |

CONSENT AGENDA

What is a consent agenda?

A consent agenda is made up of items that may be considered routine business that need action, but are unlikely to require debate. Items for inclusion on the consent agenda must be sent out in advance with the pre-presbytery mailing and clearly marked for the consent agenda.

Why is a consent agenda useful?

When the consent agenda is called for, the moderator will call for a motion to approve the entire consent agenda in one vote, thus saving presbytery time for items requiring more discussion.

BUT What if I wish to debate, discuss, ask for clarification on some part of the consent agenda?

Simply, rise to be recognized and request that that item be removed from the consent agenda. One person's request is all that is required. No second is required; no vote need be taken to remove the item.

Do not give the explanation of your concern, need for clarification, points to be emphasized or opposed at this time. The item will come up for consideration at the time when the remainder of that committee's report is made, and you will be afforded the opportunity to speak to the motion at that time.

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Items for the September 27, 2022, Consent Agenda

From COM: Item 1, p. 14, Renewal of Lord's Supper; Item 3, pp. 14, Holtzinger & Grace U.C.C.; Item 4, pp. 14-15, R Bruinooge & Coalport & Irvona; Item 5, p. 15, Ard retirement

From COPL: Item C, p. 19, funding for C.E. consultant; Item D, p. 19, funding for Madera title search.

From Clerk: Item 1, p. 22, Lord's Supper at November

Commissioning Service for Kate Sillman as General Presbyter

Judy Black: As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

People: *There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.*

Judy: Lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

People: *There is one body and one Spirit, just as we were called to the one hope of our calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.*

Brett Hoover: We are called by God to be the church of Jesus Christ, a sign in the world today of what God intends for all humankind.

People: *The great ends of the church are the proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind; the shelter, nurture, and spiritual fellowship of the children of God; the maintenance of divine worship; the preservation of the truth; the promotion of social righteousness; and the exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world.*

Brett: The call of Christ is to willing, dedicated discipleship. Our discipleship is a manifestation of the new life we enter through baptism.

People: *Discipleship is both a gift and a commitment an offering and a responsibility.*

Katie Hopper - Words of Scripture:

Psalm 139: 1-6, 23-24 - *You have searched me, Lord, and you know me. 2 You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. 3 You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways. 4 Before a word is on my tongue you, Lord, know it completely. 5 You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me. 6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain... Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. 24 See if there is any offensive way in me and lead me in the way everlasting.*

Micah 6: 8 - *And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.*

Psalm 133: 1, 3b - *How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity! For there the Lord bestows his blessing, even life forevermore.*

Installation Questions:

Ken Lynch: Kate, you have been called to serve as General Presbyter of the Presbytery of Huntingdon. The grace bestowed on you in baptism is sufficient for your calling because it is God's grace. By God's grace we are saved and enabled to grow in the faith and to commit our lives in ways which serve Christ. God has called you to particular service. Show your purpose by answering these questions:

Ken: Who is your Lord and Savior?

Kate: *Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.*

Ken: Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his word and showing his love?

Kate: *I will, with God's help.*

Ken: Do you welcome the responsibility of this service because you are determined to follow the Lord Jesus, to love neighbors, and to work for the reconciling of the world?

Kate: *I do.*

Ken: Will you serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love, relying on God's mercy and rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit?

Kate: *I will, with God's help.*

Ken: Do you, members of the Presbytery of Huntingdon, confirm the call of God to Kate as our General Presbyter in the service of Jesus Christ?

People: *We do.*

Ken: Will you support and encourage them in these ministries?

People: *We will.*

Sam Strohm - Installation Prayer: Faithful God, in baptism you claimed us, and by your Holy Spirit you continue to work through us. We thank you for leading Barry and Kate to this time and place. Guide them that they may grow in faith, hope and love through this service, that all glory and honor may be given to you, now and forever. Almighty God, let your Spirit rule your church, so that we may be joined in love and service to Jesus Christ, who, having gone before us, is coming to meet us in the promise of your kingdom. Amen.

Ken: Kate, you are now commissioned as General Presbyter. Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God through him.

Kate - Blessing: May the God of peace make us holy in every way and keep our whole being: spirit, soul and body, free from every fault at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

**VISIONING TEAM
REPORT
September 27, 2022**

The Visioning Team recommends that presbytery adopt the following amendments to the Manual (First reading)

[Strike through (yellow highlight) is text to be removed; italic text (green highlight) is text to be inserted.]

This is a first reading. Final action will be taken at the November meeting.

1. **M-2.01 Membership:** The presbytery's membership shall be defined as in the Book of Order. Each elder elected as moderator, a vice moderator, *stated clerk*, a chair of a committee or team, ~~or as a member of the Visioning Team~~ shall be enrolled

2. **M-7.02 Membership:** The Visioning Team shall consist of eight members. Four members are elected in four classes, with each serving a single four-year term. They cannot be re-elected until at least one year has elapsed. A fifth seat shall be filled by an active synod commissioner. *In addition, the committee shall also include representatives (chair or designated member) of the Committee on Ministry, Committee on Presbytery Life, and Camp and Retreat Center Committee to have better discussion and communication of the vision for the presbytery among the various committees.*

3. **M-9.02 Officers:** The officers shall be a chair, who shall serve as president of the corporation, a vice-chair, ~~and the stated clerk will serve as the recorder.~~ *treasurer, and the stated clerk will serve as the recorder/secretary.*

4. **M-11.02 Membership:** ~~The committee shall consist of three members elected by the for three year terms who may serve two successive terms.~~ *The presbytery shall elect the number of members and for terms requested by the Joint Camp & Retreat Center board.*
The general presbyter is an ex officio member with voice and vote.

[Nominating Committee]
5. **M-13.02 Membership:** The Nominating Committee shall consist of the moderator and vice-moderator of the presbytery, one member of the Committee on Ministry, one member of the Committee on Presbytery Life, *one member from Visioning Team*, and two members at large. The members from the Committee on Ministry, *the Committee on Presbytery Life, and the Visioning Team* shall be appointed by their respective committees for a two-year

term. The two members at large shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee and elected by the presbytery for a two-year term. They may not serve a successive term.

6. Appendix VI. Visioning Team Duties (M-7.06)

d. evaluate the Manual of Operations with a formal review every three years

Insert d. and re-letter e.- i. to f. - j.

7. APPENDIX XII Nominating Committee Duties (M-13.06)

f. Nominate a member of the Committee on Presbytery Life annually to serve as treasurer

Insert new duty f.

Terms & Committees of the Presbytery of Huntingdon for 2023

(as of 9/2/2022) *=-Concluding Term Bold & Italic=Nominee

OFFICERS OF PRESBYTERY 2022

2022 Moderator - One year term M-4.03	<i>Rev. Pat Roller</i>
2022 Vice Moderator - One year term M-4.04	CLP Janet Kephart
2022 State Clerk - 5 Year term M-4.05	Elder Virginia Rainey
General Presbyter M-4.07	Elder Kate Sillman
Treasurer Appendix V	Rev. Carl Campbell

*M-4.07 General Presbyter is an ex officio member of all teams and committees except the Permanent Judicial Commission

VISIONING TEAM (M-7.02 4 members elected to single 4-year term)

M-7.04 To meet at least 6 times a year (Chair, Vice Chair & Recorder appointed by Nominating Committee)

Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025	Class of 2026
CLP Leanne Gill Peters, Chair	Elder S. Todd Lewis*	Rev. Tom Poole, Vice Chair	<i>Elder Bill Sisson</i>
Synod Representative - Rev. Allison Maus - Recorder			<i>Rev. Barry Vance, Alternate</i>

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY (M-8.02 12 members elected to 3-year terms to serve on a COM Sub-Committee)

M-8.04 To meet at least 8 times a year (Chair, Vice Chair & Recorder who is normally Stated Clerk appointed by Nominating Committee)

Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025
Rev. Jimmy Hopper	Elder Nancy Bostian* Chair	<i>Rev. Sarah Sedgwick</i>
Rev. Chuck Curley* Vice Chair	Rev. Brett Hoover*	<i>Rev. Ernie Walls*</i>
Elder Ken Raney*	Rev. Katie Hopper*	<i>Elder Terry Musser</i>
Elder Ken Lynch	Rev. Jack Miller*	<i>Elder Jake Wagner</i>

Elder Virginia Rainey, Stated Clerk-Recorder

Elder Holly Kithcart, Alternate

COMMITTEE ON PRESBYTERY LIFE (M-9.02 12 members elected to 3-year terms)

M-9.03 This includes the Trustees of the Presbytery - Chair of Committee to serve as Corporation President

M-9.04 To meet at least 8 times a year (Chair, Vice Chair & Recorder appointed by Nominating Committee)

Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025
CLP Lamarr Adamson	Elder Sara Bresler	<i>Elder Pauli Belfiore</i>
Rev. Brian Choi*	Rev. Carl Campbell, Vice Chair*	<i>Elder Judy Black</i>
Rev. Bob Hicks	Elder Susan Ferguson*	<i>Rev. Ela Robinson*</i>
Rev. Janie McElwee-Smith	Elder Beth Raney, Chair*	<i>Elder Robyn Yurky</i>

Elder Virginia Rainey, Stated Clerk-Recorder

Rev. Anne Ard, Alternate

PERSONNEL TEAM

M-10.04 To meet at least 3 times a year (Chair and recorder nominated by the Nominating Committee)

Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025
Elder Matthew Waddell, Chair	Rev. Peggy Lindsey, Recorder	<i>Deacon Jennifer Creighton</i>

Elder Peggy Horner, Alternate

KRISLUND CAMP & CONFERENCE COMMITTEE (2 members elected to 2-year terms; may be reelected to serve six years)

M-11 Members serves with two other presbyteris meet monthly as the board of the camp

Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025
CLP Scott Kretchmar	Elder Ed Bratton	Deacon Ginny Westover

Elder Jim Purdum, Alternate

PERMANENT JUDICIAL COMMISSION (M-12.02 7 members elected to 6-year terms, cannot serve successive terms)

M-12.04 The commission shall elect from its members a moderator and clerk to meet at such times and places as the commission shall determine

Class of 2024	Class of 2026	Class of 2028
Elder James Crawford*	Elder Robert Peters*	<i>Elder Beth Farmer*</i>
Elder Gail Wagner*		<i>Rev. Mary Jo Bruinnoge*</i>
Rev. Kathy Colebank*		<i>Rev. Pat Roller*</i>

Rev. Jimmy Hopper - Alternate*

NOMINATING COMMITTEE (M-13.02 includes 2 at large members, designates a recorder)

Moderator of Presbytery to serve as Chair	<i>Rev. Pat Roller</i>
Vice Moderator of Presbytery to serve as Vice Chair	<i>CLP Janet Kephart</i>
Visioning Team representative to serve a 2-year term	<i>Rev. Tom Poole</i>
Committee on Ministry representative to serve a 2-year term	Rev. Jack Miller
Committee on Presbytery Life representative to serve a 2-year term	Rev. Carl Campbell
Class of 2023 Member at Large	Rev. Sarah Sedgwick*
Class of 2024 Member at Large	CLP Scott Kretchmar*

Elder Linda Vance, Alternate

SYNOD COMMISSIONERS

2023 Commissioner at Large	Rev. Brian Choi
2023 Minister Commissioner	Rev. Allison Maus
2025 Elder Commissioner	<i>Elder Beth Farmer</i>

SYNOD PERMANENT JUDICIAL COMMISSION 2026

Minister Commissioner	<i>Rev. Brett Hoover</i>
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ORDINATION EXAM READERS (need 1 Minister, 1 ruling elder, and 1 alternate)

	READERS	ALTERNATE READER
Minister	<i>Rev. Rob Bruinnoge</i>	
Ruling Elder	<i>Elder Dan Mertz</i>	<i>Elder Alicia Hughes</i>

JOINT CAMP & RETREAT CENTER COMMITTEE:

That presbytery approve an amendment to Article 5, section A, of the JCRC bylaws on voting members: (Text to be added in green and italics.)

- A. The voting members of the Joint Camp and Conference Committee shall consist of 3 persons each, of Carlisle, Huntingdon, and Northumberland Presbyteries *and up to 3 at-large members who could be members or nonmembers of these three presbyteries. At large members are nominated by board members and elected by the board.* Each Presbytery shall elect one person who will be Chairperson of its own Camp & Conference Committee. Members shall be elected in three classes of 1 person each. Elected members shall be elected for two-year terms. They shall be eligible for re-election for two additional consecutive term. The Joint Committee shall be organized in accordance with the Krislund Camp and Committee Center Policy Manual.

**COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY
REPORT
September 27, 2022**

FOR ACTION: The Committee on Ministry recommends that presbytery approve the following motions:

- 1. Renewal of authority to officiate at the Lord's Supper:** That presbytery reauthorize the following ruling elders to officiate at the Lord's Supper in our congregations until October 1, 2023: LaMarr Adamson, Richard Barkley, Judi Bookhamer, Nancy Bostian, Bill Conway, Richard Ginter, Al Holtzinger, Jr., Stan Howes, Alicia Hughes, Gary Jewart, Janet Kephart, Scott Kretchmar, Todd Lewis, Ken Lynch, Terry Musser, Tricia Noonan, Leanne Gill Peters, Ken Raney, Dave Shobert, and Kate Sillman.

- 3. Ruling Elder Albert J. Holtzinger II and Grace U.C.C.:** That presbytery approve the renewal of the contract between ruling elder Albert J. Holtzinger, II and Grace U.C.C., effective October 1, 2022, for up to twelve months. (*Summary of terms of service; full terms of service in C.O.M. minutes September 14, 2022, pp. 58,64-68.*)

Terms of service and job description summarized:

1. Albert J. Holtzinger II, Commissioned Ruling Elder and commissioned pastor within the bounds of the Presbytery of Huntingdon, will fill the pulpit to lead Sunday worship services effective October 1, 2022 for up to twelve months, except when leave has been granted. He shall be paid \$150 weekly for such service. Such compensation is to be considered a "housing allowance."
 2. Should the church ask Mr. Holtzinger to lead any special worship services (i.e. Christmas Eve) during the 12 months covered by this agreement, he shall be compensated at the rate of \$30/hour for preparation and leadership of said services with a minimum five hours payment assured.
 3. Mr. Holtzinger is willing to commit up to five hours per calendar week for additional duties such as visitation to hospitals, nursing homes, and those convalescing at home. Compensation for this time shall be at the rate of \$25 per hour or any portion thereof with Mr. Holtzinger supplying a written report of the time required for such duties.
 4. Mr. Joseph Eichenlaub shall be the contact between the pastor and the Consistory of the church regarding the "Commissioned Lay Pastor Job Description" and the "Commissioned Lay Pastor Contract."
 5. Any of the parties to this contract may terminate this contract upon thirty-day written notice to the other parties. Notice must be delivered in person or by certified mail.
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- 4. Rob Bruinooge & Coalport and Irvona:** that presbytery renew the temporary supply contract between the sessions of Coalport & Irvona and the Rev. Rob Bruinooge, effective October 1,

2022, for up to twelve months. (*Full terms of service in COM minutes, August 10, 2022, pp. 56-57.*)

- a. **Time Requirements:** It is anticipated that the responsibilities of this position can be completed in approximately fifteen hours per week.
- b. Rev. Bruinooge will preach at each church each Sunday (48 Sundays per year) and will moderate session and congregational meetings.
- c. Pastor will be available for hospital, nursing home and home visitations and will begin serving home communion to those unable to attend worship (accompanied by an Elder or Deacon).
- d. Work schedule will include major church holidays: Christmas Eve, Maundy Thursday, Palm Sunday, and Easter.
- e. Pastor will be available for emergency situations, and whenever possible, for funerals and weddings as needed.
- f. Additional hours for pastoral service above the normal expectations will be billed separately at \$15.00 per hour.

Monetary Terms of service: (15 hours per week)

Cash salary (\$15.00 per hour, based on 52 weeks)	\$ 11,700*
Other Items as Negotiated:	
Medical supplement allowance	1,200
Effective Salary	\$ 12,900

Other terms of service

- Vacation: one month, including four Sundays
- Mileage reimbursed on receipt of voucher at current IRS rate.
- Use of the manse at Coalport. All utilities will be paid by the two churches.
- According to the Yoke Agreement between Coalport and Irvona Presbyterian Churches, payment of salary and benefit package will be split 30% paid by Irvona and 70% paid by Coalport.

Severance, termination and extension of contract: Severance, termination and extension of the contract, thirty-days notice.

5. **Rev. Anne Ard:** That the Rev. Anne Ard be honorably retired effective October 1, 2022.
Note: She will be retiring from her position with CentreSafe the same day.

6.Rev. Scott Andrews & the McVeytown Presbyterian Church:

- a. That the Presbytery of Huntingdon grant the request of the congregation of the McVeytown Presbyterian Church and the Rev. Scott Andrews to dissolve their call, effective September 30, 2022, in order that he might accept the call of the Community Presbyterian Church of Englewood, FL to be its pastor. The request will be considered by congregation at its meeting of September 25.
- b. That the Rev. Scott Andrews be dismissed to the Presbytery of Peace River, effective September 30, 2022
- c. That the presbytery accept the resignation of Rev. Scott Andrews as moderator of Orbisonia and Neelyton Presbyterian Churches and as member of the Joint Camp & Retreat Center Committee, effective immediately.

7.Rev. Jimmy Hopper & the Clearfield Presbyterian Church:

- a. That the Presbytery of Huntingdon grant the request of the congregation of the Clearfield Presbyterian Church and the Rev. Jimmy Hopper, to dissolve their call, effective September 30, 2022, in order that he might enter into honorable retirement. The request will be considered at a congregational meeting on September 18
- b. That the Rev. Jimmy Hopper be honorably retired effective October 1, 2022.

8.Rev. Stephanie Weaver: that the Presbytery of Huntingdon examine the Rev. Stephanie Weaver, an honorably retired minister member of the Presbytery of Cayuga-Syracuse in good standing, and receive her into membership. (*See Weaver statement of faith below.*)

Note: Rev. Weaver has submitted reports of all required background checks and certificate of mandated reporter training. She is the Executive Director of the Huntingdon County Child and Adult Development Corporation.

Rev. Stephanie J. Weaver Statement of Faith

*When they ask what happened here, we'll simply say
Christ came by and we learned his dance...
the Lord's dance is never ending; the music goes on forever!"*
(Ann Weems as quoted in Reaching for Rainbows)

I believe in God who makes God's-self known as Creator, Son and Holy Spirit. I believe that God as Sovereign was, is and will be the source of all. God revealed God's-self in humanity through Jesus Christ who though fully human was also fully divine. Christ danced with us as a human and continues to dance with us through the presence of the Holy Spirit. Christ has taught and continues to teach us the dance of life. Sometimes I fail to dance with my Lord, and I ignore that Spirit at work within me. But, if I return to my Lord, and seek forgiveness, I have faith that through Christ's atoning work, as revealed through the power of the resurrection, my sins are forgiven, I am renewed.

My Lord never sits out of the dance. I know this because it has been revealed to me through Scripture. Scripture is the inspired Word of God and witness to the life and resurrection of Christ. In Scripture I have been given all the steps for the dance-floor of life. Through Scripture I have the steps laid out before me as to how to live, love, act and follow.

Jesus Christ is the head of the church. We, as the church, are Christ's body here on earth. We are the extensions of His life, and as disciples we are called to make certain that Christ's dance continues not only within our church walls, but through all parts of God's kingdom here on earth. We are called to sing Christ's praises throughout the world!

In Christ's church we hear the Word of God and we participate in and receive the sacraments of communion and baptism. Baptism connects each of us with the church of all ages and time to come. Through communion, I am reminded of this connection with God. I receive renewal of my relationship with God, Christ, the Holy Spirit and the church. "The Lord's dance is never ending" it will continue through all ages.

Praise God!

9. Mapleton Depot: In response to the request of the session of the Mapleton Depot Presbyterian Church:

A. That the Presbytery of Huntingdon, in response to a request of a regularly called Session Meeting of the First Presbyterian Church of Mapleton Depot on September 11, 2022, establish an administrative commission to carry out the dissolution of the Mapleton Depot Presbyterian Church.

B. That the Presbytery of Huntingdon authorize the Moderator in consultation with the Committee on Ministry and Committee on Presbytery Life, to appoint the members of the Commission.

C. That the work of the Commission be funded from remaining assets of the Mapleton Depot Presbyterian Church first and then up to \$1,000 from the Contingency Fund balances, then funds to be taken from the Fulton Fund.

D. That the specific responsibilities of the Commission shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Authorization to act on the presbytery's behalf, with the power to meet with the session and members of the congregation, including calling a meeting of the session and/or of the congregation as necessary; arrange for the pastoral care of the members; publicize the dissolution of the congregation; ascertain the financial status and outstanding financial obligations of the congregation; secure the session records;

2. Authorization to secure the legal rights to all property (real or personal) held by or for the benefit of the congregation; dispose of the moveable personal property of the congregation; secure the building and property; attend to matters of insurance; bring to the presbytery for its approval a plan for disposing of the building and grounds (subject to any guidelines established by the presbytery) or for conveying the building and grounds to the Presbytery of Huntingdon of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.); recommend the use of the assets of the congregation;

3. Authorization to plan and conduct a Service of Witness;

4. Authorization to secure the assistance of other individuals, as appropriate, to assist with its work; and generally, to do such things and take such action for, in the name of, and on behalf of the presbytery as shall be reasonably necessary to accomplish the general purpose of this resolution.

5. Authorization, in conformity with G-3.0301a, to take possession of the congregation's records, transfer jurisdiction over its members to the Presbytery of Huntingdon and grant them certificates of transfer to other churches.

6. Authorization to assert the claim of the Presbytery of Huntingdon to any property or assets of First Presbyterian Church which may come to the First Presbyterian Church of Mapleton Depot as the beneficiary of a will or trust, or from any other cause, not known at this time.

7. Authorization to do any other work necessary to the dissolution of the First Presbyterian Church, including setting the date for dissolution.

8. To report its work to Presbytery.

10 Minimum terms of service for Lay Preachers and Pulpit Supplies: That presbytery increase the compensation for a single service of pulpit supply to a minimum of \$100 and for a yoke to a minimum of \$125, either plus mileage at the current IRS rate, effective January 1, 2023. This will be a change to the Compensation in the Presbytery of Huntingdon Policy, Pulpit Supplies section, item 4.

Note: While minimum terms of call for called and contractual pastors have increased over the last decade, the minimum amount of compensation for certified lay preachers and approved pulpit supplies has remained the same since at least July 2011. Inflation is running over 8 percent this year alone. Our churches are predominately already paying above the minimum.

For information;

Nathan Koozer: COM voted to grant Inquirer Nathan Koozer a Gloria Jean Smith Seminary Scholarship Grant of up to \$2,000 vouchered for tuition and books for the academic year 2022-2023.

Allison Maus: COM voted to grant Rev. Allison Maus a Gloria Jean Smith Seminary Debt Reduction Grant in the amount of \$6,152.26. Rev. Maus graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary and is Associate Pastor at State College Presbyterian Church.

Janet Kephart and Altoona Juniata: COM accepted the resignation of CRE Janet Kephart as commissioned lay pastor of Altoona Juniata, effective August 23, with regrets.

Moderators: COM appointed the following moderators: Altoona Juniata: Brian Choi; Clearfield: Mary Jo Bruinooge; Mapleton Depot until dissolution: Mary Jo Bruinooge; Milesburg: Tom Poole; Neelyton: Pat Roller; Orbisonia: Pat Roller

**COMMITTEE ON PRESBYTERY LIFE
REPORT
September 27, 2022**

For action:

The Committee on Presbytery Life recommends that presbytery adopt the following motions:

A. 2023 Budget items:

1. 2023 per capita: That presbytery adopt a 2023 per capita of \$39.24, composed of \$25.99 for presbytery; \$2.40 for synod; and \$9.85 for General Assembly.
2. 2023 administrative budget: That presbytery adopt a 2023 administrative expense budget of \$169,108.23. (*See attached proposed administrative budget.*)
3. 2023 mission budget: That presbytery adopt a 2023 mission budget of 38,200. (*See attached proposed mission budget.*)

B. Presbytery dates for 2023: That presbytery set the following dates for stated meetings of presbytery in 2023:

1. Saturday, January 28 – 9:30 AM - 2:30PM. ZOOM only: GA Amendments, Install moderator, business mtg. John Porter will preach.
2. Saturday March 25 at 9:30 - Noon. Training for Elders, Deacons, Clerks, Treasurers
3. Tuesday June 27, 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Business meeting
4. Saturday September 30 (day) Designated Topics: Encouraging and engaging small groups and collaborating between Presbyterian churches and also with other denominations
5. Tuesday November 14 (day) Moderator leads worship, communion, Overtures to General Assembly

C. Christian Education Consultant Funding Source: That the presbytery pay Rev. Roller the contractual amount for Christian Education consultancy services of \$500 per month for the remainder of 2022 out of the Fulton Fund.

Since January 2016, the presbytery has contracted on a year-to-year basis with Rev. Pat Roller for Christian Education consultancy services, working with up to four congregations annually. The funding has come from salvage from the Christian Education line item in the mission budget. This source of funding has been exhausted.

D. Madera title search funding source: That presbytery authorize payment of up to \$1,000 from the Contingency Fund for a title search of the Madera Presbyterian Church property. Establishing a clear title to the Madera Presbyterian Church property is an essential step in the closure of the church, which was approved in June.

For information:

1. **Irvine Fund income:** CoPL voted that the 2022 income and accumulated income of the Irvine Fund be used to assist the Presbytery and/or its congregations in acquiring technology for videoconferencing, televising or streaming, etc. This would include hardware and/or software or licenses to make it possible to ZOOM meetings or services.
Note: By presbytery policy, CoPL is charged with approving disbursements from the Fund.
2. **William E. & Mary Fisher music fund:** CoPL concurred in the Bellefonte A.C. recommendation that the Presbyterian Foundation transfer the William E. & Mary Fisher Fund for the support of music at the First Presbyterian Church of Bellefonte to the benefit of the Milesburg Presbyterian Church. A letter attesting to the action of the A.C. and of the presbytery has been sent to the Foundation, which legally will make the choice of a new beneficiary.

Presbytery of Huntingdon - Administrative Budget - 2023

Total Per Capita - estimated 3570 members @39.24	140,086.80
General Assembly share - estimated 3570 members @ \$ 9.85	35,164.50
Synod share - estimated 3570 members @ \$ 2.40	<u>8,568.00</u>
Presbytery share - estimated 3570 members @ \$25.99	96,354.30

INCOME

Per Capita	140,086.80
Other service to churches	1,200.00
Transfer from Contingency Fund	3,570.00
Presby share of Unified, Select, & Designated Mission Giving	16,200.00
Partnership with the Presbytery Fund	<u>10,000.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	171,056.80

EXPENSES

PER CAPITA

GA - 3570 members * \$9.85	35,164.50
Synod - EST. 3570 * 2.40	8,568.00
	<u>43,732.50</u>

PERSONNEL 7 % increase

General Presbyter 1/2 time

Salary	31,500.00
Housing	8,500.00
Employer 403(b) contribution;	2,500.00
Medical insurance & VSP	5,291.88
SECA Offset	<u>3,060.00</u>
GP Total Compensation	50,851.88
GP Annual conferences	2,000.00
GP Study Leave	1,000.00
GP Travel Expense	3,500.00
GP - Other	100.00
GP - Discretionary	250.00
GP Ecumenical Activities	<u>200.00</u>
Total General Presbyter	57,901.88

Office Assistant

Wages	19,962.80
FICA taxes	1,527.15
Bof P Benefits	<u>298.68</u>
Total Office Assistant	21,788.63

Stated Clerk

Wages	15,300.55
FICA taxes	1,170.49
Bof P Benefits	286.68
Stated Clerk Conferences	<u>2,000.00</u>
Total Stated Clerk	18,757.72

Total Personnel

BofP Menu Benefits- Eyewear coverage; group term insurance; donation to part-time staff's 403(b)s.

98,448.23

OFFICE		
Audit	6,418.50	
Bookkeeping (Synod of the Trinity)	6,600.00	
Computer Repair/IT support	500.00	
Equipment Maint/Copier repairs	0.00	
Insurance/Worker's Comp	1,500.00	
Internet web builder (Homestead)	1,700.00	
Memberships and Subscriptions	300.00	
Payroll Service	900.00	
Postage and Shipping	700.00	
PO Box Rent	134.00	
Rent	1,400.00	
Staff Stipend for Home Office	1,800.00	
Staff Training	200.00	
Supplies and Equipment	1,500.00	
Telephone	450.00	
Travel for Office	1,200.00	
Volunteer Fire Companies	100.00	
Total Office	25,402.50	123,850.73
 COMMITTEES		
Mileage	150.00	
Materials	150.00	
Communications	200.00	
Total Committees	500.00	
 STATED MEETINGS		
Honorarium - Custodian	125.00	
Honorarium - Organist	500.00	
Other	300.00	
Moderator Gift	100.00	
Total Stated Meetings	1,025.00	
TOTAL OFFICE & PERSONNEL	169,108.23	
NET INCOME/DEFICIT		1,948.57

PRESBYTERY OF HUNTINGDON - MISSION BUDGET

	Income	2023 Expenses
INCOME		
1 General/Unified Mission giving	27,500.00	
2		27,500.00
3 Partnership for the Presbytery	10,000.00	10,000.00
3 Designated Mission giving to Presbytery		
4 Office support	250.00	
5 GP Resourcing to congregations & Pastors	450.00	
6 Resource Center		
8 Total designated Mission Giving		700.00
TOTAL PRESBYTERY MISSION INCOME		
9 Synod Church Redevelopment Grant		1,100.00
10 Total Presbytery Mission Income		38,200.00
EXPENSES		
Paid from Unified Mission giving		
11 Presbytery missions		
12 Krislund		11,500.00
13 Breezewood Truck & Traveler		500.00
14 Youth Triennium		0.00
15 Total to Presbytery Missions		12,000.00
15 Presbytery Office		
16 GP Resourcing to congregations & Pastors		8,000.00
17 Office		8,200.00
18 Resource Center		0.00
19 Partnership with the Presbytery Fund		10,000.00
20 Total for Administrative Budget		26,200.00
21 TOTAL GENERAL/UNIFIED		38,200.00
22 Committed using Synod Grant and New Covenant funds as needed		
23 Church Redevelopment Project		1,100.00
24 Committed using designated donations and Unified as needed		
25 Pakh 5 Nan Partnership		3,100.00

Additional Select Mission Giving to Presbytery

For Church Redevelopment project only

Estimated giving

To support missions INCLUDING

**STATED CLERK
REPORT
September 27, 2022**

For action: The clerk requests that presbytery

1.**Lord's Supper:** Authorize the observance of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper at the November 5 presbytery meeting. Moderator Ken Lynch will officiate.

For information: The clerk reminds clerks of session and moderators that Session Records Review will be held in clusters on October 5 and October 12. Contact the stated clerk or Ruling Elder Jim Crawford if you have questions.