

**MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 7, 2026 STATED MEETING OF THE PRESBYTERY OF CARLISLE**  
**Hybrid meeting at Second Presbyterian Church (Carlisle, PA) and via Zoom**

**Attachments**

- A. Year-End Financial Reports**
- B. Terms of Dissolution for the Rev. Kristal Smith**
- C. Report of the Presbytery Leader for Governance and Congregational Leadership**
- D. Report of the COM**
- E. Report of the CPM**
- F. Attendance Rolls**

**Abbreviations**

- MSP Motion, Seconded, Discussed, and Passed (from committee, MP only)
- AC, PJC Administrative Commission, Permanent Judicial Commission
- BOO *Book of Order* – The Constitution of the PC(USA) Part II
- BOC *Book of Confessions*
- BOP Board of Pensions
- CC Coordinating Council
- CCE Certified Christian Educator
- CLC Church Leadership Connection
- COA Covenant of Agreement
- CPM Committee on Preparation for Ministry
- COM Commission on Ministry,
- NWCC New Worshipping Communities Commission
- OGA Office of General Assembly
- MDP Ministry Discernment Profile
- NC, PNC Nominating Committee, Pastor Nominating Committee
- PC Presbyterian Church
- PW Presbyterian Women
- PHS Presbyterian Historical Society
- MWS Minister of Word and Sacrament
- RE Ruling Elder
- CRE Commissioned Ruling Elder
- EREC Elected RE Commissioner to this meeting

**Call to Order and Prayer**

The Stated Meeting (hybrid) of the Presbytery of Carlisle was called to order with prayer at 9:00 AM in the Sanctuary of Second Presbyterian Church Carlisle by Moderator Rev. Janice Tiedeck. Hosting pastor, Rev. Jeff Gibelius, welcomed presbyters and shared some information about the building and the location of the bathrooms. Moderator Tiedeck then called for adding the election of a Temporary Stated Clerk to the docket as part of the Commission on Ministry report. She also advised the presbyters that this meeting constituted a meeting of the corporation.

**MSP to approve consent agenda as follows:**

- A. Approve the docket as revised
- B. Receive the Year-End Financial Reports [Attachment A]
- C. Grant voice to Rev. Sharon Davy, Stated Clerk for Cincinnati Presbytery
- D. Grant voice to Ryan Croft, Executive Director of Camp Krislund

**Enrollment of Corresponding Members**

There were no corresponding members that were enrolled.

**Introduction of First-Time Commissioners, Pastors, DCEs, Special Guests**

Moderator Tiedeck invited first time Teaching Elders (TEs) and Ruling Elder Commissioners (RECs) to identify themselves from the floor mic or via Zoom. All were warmly welcomed.

**Report of the Administration Committee**

Moderator Tiedeck invited Rev. Ed Blank, Presbytery Treasurer, to bring the report of the Administration Committee. Ed called attention to the written report of the Administration and presented the Terms of Dissolution for Rev. Kristal Smith [Attachment B] recommended to the Presbytery by the Administration Committee and COM. Rev. Kristal Smith has submitted her resignation, which will be effective February 28.

**MP** to approve the Terms of Dissolution for the Rev. Kristal Smith.

Moderator Tiedeck offered a prayer for Rev. Kristal Smith, giving thanks for her ministry and wisdom and blessing her for whatever comes next.

**Presentation of Candidate for Temporary Stated Clerk**

Rev. Jamie McLeod, Presbytery Leader for Vision and Transformation, presented Rev. Sharon Davy (present on zoom), who was recommended for the position of Temporary Stated Clerk by the search team. The Administration committee voted unanimously to recommend Rev. Davy for the position. Rev. McLeod highlighted Rev. Davy's sense of call to Mid-Council work and penchant for teamwork before inviting her to say a few words introducing herself to the Presbytery.

Rev. Davy greeted the Presbytery and expressed how much she is looking forward to working with the Carlisle Presbytery.

Rev. Davy was dismissed to a zoom waiting room and the moderator opened the floor for discussion. A question was asked about how the remote work situation would work. Rev. McLeod clarified that most of the Presbytery's work is done remotely at this point, but that Rev. Davy planned to be in person for Presbytery meetings.

**MP** to elect the Rev. Sharon Davy as Temporary Stated Clerk beginning March. In accordance with her Covenant of Agreement she will begin working on February 10, 2026, for \$25/hour for up to 20 hours weekly. The job will be mainly remote.

Rev. Davy was invited back into the room and was greeted with applause and cheers. Moderator Tiedeck offered a prayer of thanksgiving.

### **Report of the Coordinating Council**

Rev. Kristal Smith introduced the revisions to the Bylaws and Standing Rules of the Presbytery. The changes in language to Article V subsection D regarding Certified Christian Educators reflect the language in the Book of Order (See below). Rev. Smith invited questions or comments and shared that the changes would be up for a vote at the April Meeting of Presbytery. The proposed changes are included in red below.

#### **D. Eligible Voters**

Teaching Elder members of the presbytery who are active members or members-at-large are eligible voters. In addition to Ruling Elder commissioners elected by their sessions, each Ruling Elder elected to be (a) an officer of the presbytery, (b) chair of a committee, (c) member of the Coordinating Council, (d) a Commissioned Ruling Elder, (e) interim executive presbyter, or (f) moderator of Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Carlisle shall be enrolled as a member of the presbytery for their term of service, whether or not commissioned by their session. In order to attend to an imbalance of ministers and elders who are entitled to vote at presbytery meetings (in accordance with G-3.0301), all Ruling Elders who are in the Commissioned Ruling Elder training program or who have completed the Commissioned Ruling Elder training program are designated to have voice and vote at presbytery meetings. This privilege shall include participation in the deliberation and work of the presbytery by attendance, voice and vote at all meetings of the presbytery. Any person elected to a position named in the second sentence of this section, who is not a Ruling Elder, shall be an ex-officio member of the presbytery with voice but without vote.

~~During their term of service in an educational ministry under the jurisdiction of the presbytery, Certified Christian Educators are entitled to the privilege of the floor with voice only at all presbytery meetings, and in the case of Certified Christian Educators who are ruling elders, the privilege of voice and vote at all its meetings. Certified Christian educators, who are employed full time by a church in the Presbytery of Carlisle, and who are also ordained Ruling Elders, are granted vote as well as voice at meetings of the presbytery.~~

### **Report of the Presbytery Leader for Governance and Congregational Leadership**

Rev. Kristal Smith called attention to the written report she prepared and asked that it be included in the minutes (Attachment C). Rev. Smith then expressed her gratitude and appreciation for the time she spent serving as Presbytery Leader of Governance and Congregational Leadership. Rev. Smith spoke

about endings and a framework of gratitude, forgiveness, love and *goodbye* for navigating these liminal times. She expressed gratitude for the way this position helped her to grow and deepen connections with people across the presbytery. She both received and offered forgiveness for things done and left undone. She expressed deep love for the people of Carlisle Presbytery, naming that she recognizes the reflection of a loving God in our faces. Finally, she expressed her commitment to making this a *good* bye and shared that even after February 28th she will continue to hold Carlisle Presbytery and all its ministries in prayer.

### **Report of the Commission on Ministry**

Moderator Tiedeck invited Rev. Tony Lorenz to present the report of the Commission on Ministry. Rev. Lorenz called attention to the written report included with the Docket (Attachment D). Rev. Lorenz introduced two action items related to receiving Rev. Martha Spong into the Presbytery from the United Church of Christ and highlighted the background information and rationale for these action items as well as the professional, theological, and autobiographical information about Rev. Spong included with the written report. He then invited discussion on the motions. There was no discussion.

**MP** to unanimously and enthusiastically to receive Rev. Martha Spong into the Presbytery of Carlisle from the United Church of Christ and to grant an exemption to requirements for ordination examinations to Rev. Spong, per G-2.0505a(2) in the Book of Order.

### **Report of the Committee on Preparation for Ministry**

Rev. Buz Myers presented Inquirer Rob Cochran, of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church in Lebanon, PA, to be enrolled as a candidate for ministry. Rob was enrolled as an Inquirer on November 21, 2024 and endorsed by the session of St. Andrews for Candidacy on January 6, 2026. CPM voted on January 15, 2026 to present him to the Presbytery for enrollment as a Candidate. Rev. Myers made a motion, on behalf of the CPM, to enroll Inquirer Rob Cochran as a Candidate.

Inquirer Rob Cochran presented his Statement of Call. Moderator Tiedeck opened the floor to questions, instructing the presbytery that questions about the Inquirer's sense of call and spiritual practices are in order; questions about theology are out of order at this stage.

Rob was asked about his engagement with the community, his spiritual disciplines and how these things have brought him to this place. He was asked what was fueling his personal sense of call away from youth ministry specifically and into work as a minister of Word and Sacrament.

After thoroughly answering the questions, expressing openness to the movement of the Spirit and a deep commitment to helping people, young and old, grow in their faith, Rob was invited to step out of the room. Moderator Tiedeck invited discussion on the motion to enroll Inquirer Cochran as a Candidate. There was no discussion.

**MP** to approve that Inquirer Rob Cochran be enrolled as a Candidate

Candidate Cochran was invited back into the room where he was greeted with applause. Moderator then led the Presbytery in a brief service of Commissioning for Candidate Cochran including a charge offered by Rev. Robin Morgan and a prayer led by Rev. Buz Myers.

### **Report from the Committee on Representation and Nomination**

Rev. Kristal Smith presented the report from the Committee on Representation and Nomination on behalf of chair Rev. Caroline Vickery who was unable to be present due to technical difficulties.

**MP** Elect Abby Tierney (RE, Camp Hill) to serve on COM for a three (3) year term.

**MP** Elect Rev. Ed Blank (MWS, Middle Spring) to serve as Treasurer of the Presbytery of Carlisle for a five (5) year term.

### **Report of the Presbytery Leader for Vision and Transformation**

Rev. Jamie McLeod spoke about the upcoming Weave Week Conference for youth in the Presbytery ages 9-12. The Conference explores what it means to be a missional church. Youth will stay overnight at Messiah University and participate in mission projects and experiences across central Pennsylvania. It will be July 7-11. Registration for this event is now open.

### **Report from Camp Krislund**

Moderator Tiedeck invited Ryan Croft, Executive Director of Krislund Camp, who introduced himself. He thanked the Presbytery for their support of Krislund Camp. He spoke about the importance of camp in the lives of children and youth as an opportunity for them to spend time away from the normal routines of life and unplug. He encouraged everyone present to speak to the youth in their lives about considering camp and announced that Krislund is currently hiring summer staff and gave updates about on-going projects with Krislund's facilities.

### **Workshops**

At 10:00 AM Moderator Tiedeck called for a 10-minute break while in-person participants moved to different rooms for workshops. She announced that the meeting would resume with worship at 11:25 AM. The Workshops offered were as follows:

#### **Conflict Styles in Times of Stress and Transition**

In this workshop, we will explore the ways individuals may respond to the challenges that are part of transitions or disagreements in church life. When things are not going our way, we often default to one of three conflict styles; within those styles are three variations. Each approach has something to offer within a faith community. When we recognize and draw on all three conflict styles, we become more resilient both individually and collectively, supporting adaptive approaches and healthy resolutions to change in congregational life.

*Facilitator: **Rev. Martha Spong***

#### **Community Organizing 101**

How to go from a hate pamphlet to a No Hate Rally in two weeks.

*Facilitator: Rev. **Kathryn Johnston***

#### **Combatting White Christian Nationalism: A Biblical and Theological Response**

White Christian Nationalism (WCN) is a rival belief system to authentic Christianity that poses a grave danger to our nation, and the church of Jesus Christ. This non-partisan workshop will define WCN, explain its attractiveness, explore why it is such a danger and offer ways to combat it.

*Facilitator: **Scott Bowerman***

## **Pastoral Letter Debrief**

### **Pastoral Letter on Political Violence**

Last year, following a number of acts of violence from across the political spectrum, the Coordinating Council for the Presbytery of Carlisle felt like it needed to speak to our member churches about the call of Jesus to engage in “no more of this.” What emerged, after a period of discernment, was a pastoral letter that went to all the congregations in the presbytery calling on all our members to reflect on the state of the nation in terms of our actions and our rhetoric directed at those considered “other.” In this workshop, we will explore the language used in the pastoral letter as well as discuss how to have civilized conversations between peoples who disagree with one another. Finally, we will engage in answering the questions offered at the end of the letter as we put into practice the methodology for having civil conversations that we have constructed over the course of the workshop.

*Facilitators: Rev. Dr. Jamie McLeod (in-person) and Rev. Kristal Smith (Zoom)*

## **The Joy of Music**

In this workshop you will be introduced to an anthem, explore it with others, and prepare to sing it later in worship. Basic music reading skills are a plus but not required. The focus is on fun!

*Facilitator: **Michelle Trefren***

## **Basic Workshop for Ruling Elders**

You said “yes” to God’s call; now what? *This interactive workshop will guide new ruling elders through fundamental Session responsibilities relating to worship, education, mission, and administration.* We’ll explore duties that are mandated, strongly recommended, suitable, and permissible.

*Facilitators: Commissioned Ruling Elder **Joe Calhoun** (in-person) and Elder **Bill McHenry** (Zoom)*

## **Pastoral Issues and Approaches for Deacons**

Deacons faithfully share Christ’s love in concrete ways. While not the only Presbyterians called to provide ministries of sympathy and caring for neighbors and one another, deacons provide organized ways of bringing Christ’s love to the church and community. Join us for background on the office of Deacon and collaboration on ways to organize deacon ministries.

*Facilitators: **Anne Ross***

## **Worship**

At 11:25 AM the meeting resumed with worship. During worship we observed memorial moments for Rev. Bill Beck offered by CRE Neil McCullouch and Rev. Lois Richwine offered by Rev. Marie Buffaloe. Moderator Tiedeck offered an impassioned sermon on Jeremiah 20. She named the difficulties of speaking truth under the current circumstances but called on the Presbytery to remain firm in their witness to the love and justice of Christ speaking up for the vulnerable even when there is a cost. An offering in the amount of \$752 was collected to support the Honduras Scholarship Program.

During communion prayers were offered for those who joined the Church Triumphant in the past year. Their names are included in the Report of the Presbytery Leader for Governance and Congregational Leadership (Attachment C).

Moderator Gary Hollinger (RE, Silver Spring) and Vice Moderator Don Wahlig (TE, Silver Spring) were installed for the year 2026.

After celebrating communion together, members of council took a moment to recognize the outstanding ministry of Rev. Kristal Smith and presented her with a bouquet of flowers. Rev. Smith then shared a few remarks of gratitude and affection for the congregations, elders, and pastors of Carlisle Presbytery and offered a closing blessing.

**MSP** to adjourn the meeting at 12:08 PM.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Rev. Kristal Smith**

**Presbytery Leader for Governance and Congregational Leadership / Stated Clerk**



<b>Funds Report December, 2025</b>				
	Balance			Balance
<b>Small Church Leadership</b>	<b>12/31/2024</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Distributions</b>	<b>12/31/2025</b>
<b>Mission and Grants</b>				
Holy Land Travel	6,688	0	0	6,688
Ministry & Mission Support	9,314	0	0	9,314
Small Church Leadership	6,559	1,608	(2,680)	5,486
Pastor's Sabbatical Fund	15000	0	0	15,000
<b>Preparation for Ministry</b>				
Prep for Ministry	4,135	12,000	(15,920)	215
CPE - New for 2026	0	9,500	0	9,500
Education - New for 2026	0	2,000	0	2,000
Exams - New for 2026	0	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Assesment - New for 2026	0	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
<b>Total CPM</b>				<b>11,715</b>
<b>Coordinating Council</b>				
PI Residual	37,022	0	0	37,022
Minister's Emergency	5,618	1,955	(5,050)	2,523
<b>Presbytery Designated Mission</b>				
Honduras				
Partnership	9,784	13,723	(7,075)	16,431
Scholarship Fund	0	7,974	0	7,974
Juniata Shared Ministry	4,650	6,747	(11,397)	0
Legal Reserve Fund	5,000	0	0	5,000
New Worshipping Communities	120,800	15,369	(8,050)	128,119
Interwined	4,201	40,957	(70,785)	(25,626)
The Circle	4,468	89,087	(88,364)	5,191
Breaking Bread	0	10,200	(10,200)	0
Peacemaking Offering	6,342	12,944	(13,331)	5,955
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>235,447</b>	<b>200,564</b>	<b>(216,933)</b>	<b>230,794</b>



## ATTACHMENT C

**Report of the Stated Clerk  
(Presbytery Leader for Governance and Congregational Leadership)  
February 7, 2026**

**Items for Action**

None

**Items for Information****Reading of Presbytery Meeting Minutes**

Thank you to TE Lon Kuehn (Centre) and RE Judy Packheiser (Middletown) for reading the minutes of the November 19, 2025 Presbytery meeting!

**Reported to the Office of the General Assembly**

- The death of the Rev. Lois Richwine of Dillsburg, PA, who died November 16, 2025.
- The death of the Rev. William Beck of Carlisle, PA, who died November 23, 2025.
- Certified Candidate Destini Hodges ready to be examined for ordination.
- Changed the Rev. Caroline Vickery's status to Retired.
- Received the Rev. Laura Viau from New Castle Presbytery.
- Received The Rev. Leslie Mott from Detroit Presbytery.
- Received The Rev. Brian Moss from ECO Northwest Presbytery.
- Transferred The Rev. Anthony Saturno to Presbytery of the James.
- Transferred The Rev. Andrew Hostetter to Donegal Presbytery.
- Received The Rev. James Calvin Davis from Albany Presbytery effective July 1, 2026.
- Changed the status of the Rev. Kent Carter to member-at-large.
- With all constitutional questions being answered in the affirmative, reported the installations of:
  - o The Rev. Stanley Jenkins at Market Square
  - o The Rev. Mark Armstrong at Lower Tuscarora and East Waterford
  - o The Rev. Margaret Poteet at Paxton

**2025 Session Records Review**

36 of the Presbytery's 39 churches have completed a review of Session Records for 2024.

<b>Church</b>	<b>A/N</b>	<b>Church</b>	<b>A/N</b>
Big Spring	N	Lost Creek	A
Camp Hill	A	Lower Marsh Creek	A
Capital	A	Lower Tuscarora	A
Central	A	Market Square	A
Centre	A	McConnellsburg	A
Christ, Camp Hill	A	Mechanicsburg	A
Derry	A	Middle Spring	A
Dickinson	A	Monaghan	A

Duncannon	A	Mt. Olivet	A
East Waterford	A	Paxton	A
Faith Immanuel	A	Pine Street	A
Falling Spring	A	Presbyterian Congregation Middletown	A
First, Carlisle	N	Second	A
First United, Newville	A	Silver Spring	A
Gettysburg	A	St. Andrews	A
Great Conewago	A	St. James	A
Greencastle	A	Waynesboro	A
Harrisburg Korean	N	Wells Valley	A
Highland United	A	Westminster	A
Hope United	A		

A= APPROVED N= NOT SUBMITTED

Thank you to those churches who completed that work!

### **2026 Session Records Review**

All Clerks of Session are invited to bring their minutes and membership rolls for the annual review. The Presbytery is offering three times to gather for this work. Clerks, please choose the date that best suits you:

- Wednesday, April 22 at 6:30 pm at Camp Hill PC and on Zoom
- Saturday, April 25 at 9:30 am at Duncannon PC
- Saturday, May 2 at 9:30 am at Central Presbyterian Church in Chambersburg

### **2026 Necrology Report**

With gratitude to God for their lives and faithful service among us, received Necrology Reports of the following Ruling Elders for the year 2025:

Church	Ruling Elder	Date of Birth	Ordination Date	Date of Death	Age
Big Spring	Kay Wagner	4/28/40	1/16/83	3/7/25	84
	Julie Crum	4/30/40	1/8/89	6/21/25	85
Camp Hill	James Campbell	9/15/41	3/9/97	8/22/25	83
	Gerald Grassman	3/6/37	7/27/15	10/25/25	88
	E. Thomas Kuhn	5/20/45	5/2/82	11/26/25	80
Capital	Alfred Johnson	1/24/35	2000	5/17/25	90
Central	Jenine H. Grove	1/4/52	1/9/05	5/29/25	73
	George W. Muller	3/31/30	1957	2/10/25	94

Derry	Richard Holp	11/25/34	12/6/81	2/15/25	90
	Leonard Santos	10/2/37	1/3/99	2/18/25	87
	Jay Carr	3/18/44	1/7/79	8/14/25	81
	Fred Speicher	4/7/32	1/1/78	12/12/25	93
Dickinson	Richard Dunham	10/2/34	6/12/88	1/1/25	90
	Donald Bletz	7/28/25	1/22/89	1/14/25	99
Duncannon	Susan Long	11/3/46	2/7/16	1/28/25	79
	Wilmer Liddick	1/13/27	1/20/08	9/12/25	98
	Roberta Hammaker Lightner	2/9/41	3/27/82	11/20/25	84
Faith Immanuel	Larry Eugene Hahn	1/8/44	4/24/88	8/25/25	81
PC Falling Spring	Elizabeth Taylor	7/25/29	1993	1/24/25	95
	Edith Cressler Lindell	4/8/26	1990	12/16/25	99
First United	Ann "Nancy" Cavanaugh	9/7/44	1/8/06	9/1/25	80
	Joan Fosburg	11/12/41	1/17/10	2/12/25	83
Gettysburg	Ron Hankey	3/16/40	1972	3/17/25	85
	Edward McCartney	5/29/35	1978	8/15/25	90
Greencastle	Dr. G. William Thorne	3/17/52	1983	10/31/25	73
Highland United	Joseph Frank	7/15/43	1/11/04	1/13/25	81
	Russell LaForce	1/21/37	Before 2000	8/26/25	88
	Doris LaForce	8/26/27	Before 2000	12/1/25	88
Hope United	Paul Rhen, Jr.	5/15/33	9/10/95	9/22/25	92
Lower Marsh Creek	Robert (Bob) Muchow	7/16/36	1/19/2014	5/13/25	88
Market Square	Frances Moore	9/9/39	9/11/77	5/3/25	85
	Nancy Adams Besch	11/12/36	4/29/79 (at Camp Hill)	8/13/25	98
McConnellsburg	Freda Cromer	1/26/31	2/28/88	6/2/25	94
Mechanicsburg	James H. Honafius	2/26/43	11/16/86	1/12/25	81
Monaghan	Thomas Whittaker	12/10/43		11/1/25	81
Mt. Olivet	Kathleen Hovatter		Jan 1984	8/6/25	
	Michael Anderson		Jan 2006	5/30/25	
Paxton	C. Ken Myers	5/11/31	1/26/75	8/25/25	94
	Dave Foreman	10/1/36	1/14/01	12/24/25	89
Pine Street	Robert McCutcheon	1/26/34	June 1973	6/16/25	91
	Richard Brown	6/1/31	June 1982	4/26/25	93
Second	William "Bill" Allison	1/20/36	5/20/18	9/21/25	89
	Balinger "Skip" Brown	8/21/47	7/14/19	4/16/25	77
	Shirley Johnstone	4/30/31	1/8/06	4/4/25	93

St. Andrews	Wilhelmina Miller		1/24/88	9/25/25	
St. James	Barbara Benedum Rowe	4/9/54	1/11/81	9/24/25	71
Waynesboro	Nancy Glenn	4/17/45	1/4/98	5/31/25	80
	George Buckey	4/11/26	1/15/61	6/28/25	99
	L. Deloyce Watkins	7/13/34	1/4/77	9/13/25	91
Westminster Un.	Joseph Benner	2/6/39	1/26/75	5/2/25	86
	Samuel Cook	3/31/35	2/3/63	12/3/25	90

*List reports names received as of February 1, 2026*

### **Membership Roll**

I have reported, as required by the *Book of Order*, the members of Carlisle Presbytery as of December 31, 2025, to the Office of the General Assembly. Also as required by the *Book of Order*, I created and have on file, the roll of the Ministers of Word and Sacrament in the Presbytery of Carlisle and the register of Certified Christian Educators. The Roll of Ministers and Register of CREs as of 31 December 2025 is included below.

### **Permanent Judicial Commission**

The Stated Clerk received allegations against a minister member of Presbytery on December 2, 2024. The appointed Investigating Committee is working.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristal Smith  
Presbytery Leader for Governance and Congregational Leadership

### **Roll of Teaching Elders and Certified Christian Educators in Carlisle Presbytery as of 12/31/2025**

#### **Honorably Retired (G-2.0503-c)**

Doug Beltzner  
Charles Best  
Jon Black  
Scott Bowerman  
Dale Bowne  
Richard Boyer  
W. Wilson Bradburn  
Marie Buffaloe  
Karin Carroll  
Nancy Conklin  
Barbara Derrickson  
Paul Derrickson  
Arlene Dunn, Temporary Pastor, PC of Middletown  
Dale Francis  
Cheryl D. Galan

John Green  
 William Hammann  
 Richard Houtz  
 Bruce Humphrey  
 Charles Jessen  
 Darlene Kline  
 Mark Englund-Krieger  
 Rebecca Langer  
 Ron Martin-Minnich  
 Jeanette Mater  
 Myrtle McCall  
 Nancy McClure  
 Jennifer McKenna  
 Mark Medina  
 Ivo Meilands  
 Stephen Melton  
 Scott Miller  
 Troy Morgan  
 Anne Myers  
 Charles Myers  
 Art Pace  
 John Park  
 Donald Potter, Parish Associate, Camp Hill  
 Nancy Reinert  
 James Reitz  
 Robert Rhoades  
 Jim Richwine  
 Timothy Roach  
 Anne Ross, Visitation Pastor, Market Square  
 John Schmidt  
 Dick Sheffield  
 Heather Sigler  
 John Sproat  
 Sandy Strauss  
 Russell Sullivan  
 Thomas Sweet  
 Thomas D. Thomas  
 Edward Trask  
 Roger Uittenbogaard  
 Suzanne Uittenbogaard  
 Carol Van Schenk Hof  
 Caroline Vickery, Temporary Pastor, Faith Immanuel  
 Mary Washburn  
 Dale Williams, Temporary Pastor, McConnellsburg  
 Harry Winsheimer  
 Galen Work  
 David Wright

**Teaching Elders Engaged in Validated Ministry within a congregation, or within the jurisdiction of the church (G-2.0503-a)**

Edward Blank

Interim Pastor, Middle Spring

Lucy Bowerman	Temporary Pastor, Big Spring
Lisa Chase	Associate Pastor, Silver Spring
Graham Fowler	Pastor, Lost Creek, McAlisterville; Stated Supply in Huntingdon Presbytery
Vernon Gauthier	Pastor, First United, Newville
Jeff Gibelius	Pastor, Second, Carlisle
Shawn Gray	Temporary Associate Pastor, Derry
Stanley Jenkins	Pastor, Market Square
Kathryn Johnston	Pastor, Mechanicsburg
Inho Kang	Pastor, Harrisburg Korean
Lon Kuehn	Pastor, Centre, Loysville
Anthony Lorenz	Pastor, First, Carlisle
Jamie McLeod	Presbytery Leader for Vision and Transformation

Caleb McClure	Pastor, Gettysburg
Andrew McFayden	Associate Pastor, Gettysburg
Lynn Miller	Pastor, Christ, Camp Hill
Robin Morgan	Pastor, St. Andrews, Lebanon
Margaret Poteet	Pastor, Paxton, Harrisburg
Anthony Saturno	Pastor, St. James, Mechanicsburg
Stuart Seelman	Pastor, Pine Street
Allison Smith	Temporary Associate Pastor, Market Square
Kristal Smith	Presbytery Leader for Governance and Congregation Leadership
Janice Tiedeck	Pastor, Monaghan, Dillsburg
Laura Viau	Associate Pastor, Mechanicsburg
Don Wahlig	Pastor, Silver Spring, Mechanicsburg
Stephen McKinney-Whitaker	Pastor, Derry

**Teaching Elders Engaged in Validated Ministry outside the congregation (G-2.0503- a)**

Katy Yates Brungraber	Interim Pastor at ELCA Church
Donna Christopher	Supply Pastor at ELCA Church, Hospice Chaplain
Peter Dietz	Navy Chaplain
Andrew Hart	Chaplain, Wilson College
Kevin Long	Organizing Pastor, Intertwined
Christian Neubaum	Chaplain, Hershey Medical Center
Don Opitz	Chaplain, Grove City College
Matthew Robinson	Professor, University of Bonn
Anne Stewart	Vice President for External Relations, Princeton Theological Seminary
Drew Stockstill	Navy Chaplain
Stephen Velthuis	Navy Chaplain



**ATTACHMENT D**  
**COM Report to Presbytery**  
**February 7, 2026**

**Action Items**

Because the Rev. Martha Spong has been ordained more than five years in the United Church of Christ, recommend to Presbytery an exemption be granted per G-2.0505a(2).

**Information Items**

- **Appointed the following Moderators of Session:**
  - The Rev. Lynn Miller to serve at St. James effective January 1, 2026.
  - The Rev. Lisa Chase to serve at Hope United effective January 1, 2026.
  - The Rev. Mark Medina to serve at Mt. Olivet effective January 1, 2026.
- **Approved the following Minister transfers:**
  - The Rev. Laura Viau from Newcastle Presbytery.
  - The Rev. Leslie Mott from Detroit Presbytery.
  - The Rev. Brian Moss from ECO Northwest Presbytery.
  - The Rev. Anthony Saturno to Presbytery of the James.
  - The Rev. Andrew Hostetter to Donegal Presbytery.
  - The Rev. James Calvin Davis from Albany Presbytery effective July 1, 2026.
  - *The Rev. Martha Spong from UCC Keystone Conference (pending above-referenced action item)*
- **Approved the following Covenants of Agreement:**
  - Between the Rev. Bob Cook and Greencastle Presbyterian Church.
  - Between CRE Neal McCulloch and Dickinson Presbyterian Church.
  - Between Lucinda Novinger and Duncannon Presbyterian Church.
  - Between the Rev. Laura Viau and Mechanicsburg Presbyterian Church.
  - Between the Rev. Richard Jorgenson and Camp Hill Presbyterian Church.
  - Between the Rev. Caroline Vickery and Faith Immanuel Presbyterian Church.
  - Between the Rev. Kelly Wiant and The Circle Hbg.
  - Between the Rev. Kevin Long and Intertwined.
  - Between the Rev. Brand Eaton and Great Conewago Presbyterian Church.
  - Between the Rev. Allison Smith and Market Square Presbyterian Church.
- **Approved the following Ministry Discernment Profiles from these churches:**
  - Presbyterian Church of Falling Spring
- **Approved the Installation Commission for Mark Armstrong on November 9:**
  - Rev. Janice Tiedeck (Moderator)
  - Rev. Lon Kuehn (Centre)
  - Rev. Graham Fowler (Lost Creek)
  - Ruling Elder Larry Gildner (Duncannon)
  - Ruling Elder Bailey Imes (Lower Tuscarora)
  - Ruling Elder Tina Fisher (East Waterford)
- **Approved the Installation Commission for Andrew McFayden on January 18:**
  - Moderator Gary Hollinger (RE, Silver Spring)

- o Rev. Caleb McClure
- o Rev. Jeff Gibelius
- o Ruling Elder Lanny Winters (Lower Marsh Creek)
- o Ruling Elder Heather Bertelson (Gettysburg)
- Added the Rev. Leslie Mott to the Pulpit Supply list.
- Granted the Rev. Caroline Vickery retired status effective December 1, 2025.
- Granted permission to Lower Marsh Creek Presbyterian Church to call a congregational meeting for the purpose of calling the Rev. Brian Moss.
- Granted permission to Central Presbyterian Church to call a congregational meeting for the purpose of calling the Rev. James Calvin Davis.
- Granted permission to Westminister United and Highland United Presbyterian Churches to elect a Pastoral Nominating Committee.
  - **Approved the following Terms of Dissolution:**
    - o Between the Rev. Kristal Smith and the Presbytery of Carlisle
  - **Approved the following Terms of Dissolution and Dissolutions:**
    - o Between the Rev. Anthony Saturno and St. James Presbyterian Church.
  - **Approved the following Dissolution:**
    - o Between the Rev. Nancy McClure and Highland United Presbyterian Church

• **COM Approved Validated Ministries for the following Ministers**

<b>Donna Christopher, Hospice Chaplain</b>
<b>Don Optiz, Grove City College Chaplain</b>
<b>Steven Velthuis, Navy Chaplain</b>
<b><i>Martha Spong, Ministry Coach (pending ordination exam exemption by Presbytery)</i></b>

• **COM approved the Continuation of At-Large status for the following Ministers:**

<b>Tom Folts</b>
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**ATTACHMENT E****Committee on Preparation for Ministry  
Report to Presbytery  
February 7, 2026****Action Item**

The Committee on Preparation for Ministry recommends Inquirer Robert Cochran be moved to Candidacy.

**Informational Items**

- Candidate 833225 passed the Bible Content Exam administered by the Committee on Preparation for Ministry under authorization from the Presbytery of Carlisle. Candidate 833225 is now certified ready to receive a call.
- Ruling Elder Lucinda Novinger (Duncannon) has been enrolled in the Commissioned Ruling Elder preparation program.
- Ruling Elder Patty Welles (Gettysburg) has been enrolled in the Commissioned Ruling Elder preparation program.

## ATTACHMENT F Attendance Rolls February 7, 2026

<b>Totals</b>									
<b>Pastors</b>		<b>46</b>							
<b>Elders</b>		<b>45</b>							
<b>Voters</b>		<b>91</b>							
<b>Guests</b>		<b>15</b>							
<b>Corr. Member</b>		<b>0</b>							
<b>Attendance</b>		<b>106</b>	<b>36 on Zoom</b>						
<b>Excused</b>		<b>2</b>							
<b>Honorably Retired</b>			<b>Active MWS</b>						
<b>Name</b>		<b>Status</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Excused</b>	<b>Name</b>		<b>Status</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Excused</b>
Beltzner	Doug	HR			Armstrong	Mark	P		1
Best	Charles	HR			Blank	Edward	P		1
Black	Jon	HR			Bowerman	David	NP		1
Bowerman	Scott	R			Bowerman	Lucy	NP		1
Bowne	Dale	HR		1	Brungraber	Katy Yates	NP		1
Boyer	Rick	HR		1	Carter	Kent	NP		1
Bradburn	W. Wilson	HR			Chase	Lisa	P		1
Buffaloe	Marie	HR		1	Cook	Robert	P		1
Carroll	Karin	HR			Christopher	Donna	NP		
Conklin	Nancy	R			Dietz	Peter	NP		1
Derrickson	Barbara	HR			Eaton	Brand	P		1
Derrickson	Paul	HR			Folts	Tom	NP		
Dunn	Arlene	R			Fowler	Graham	P		1
Englund-Krieger	Mark	R			Gauthier	Vernon	P		1
Francis	Dale	HR			Gibelius	Jeff	P		1
Galan	Cheryl	HR		1	Gray	Shawn	P		1
Green	John	HR			Hart	Andrew	NP		
Hammann	William	HR			Jenkins	Stanley	P		
Houtz	Richard	HR			Johnston	Kathryn	P		1
Humphrey	Bruce	HR		1	Jorgenson	Richard	P		1
Jessen	Charles	HR			Kang	Inho	P		
Johnston	Thomas	HR		1	Kuehn	Lon	P		1
Kline	Darlene	HR			Long	Kevin	NP		1
Langer	Rebecca	HR			Lorenz	Anthony	P		1
Martin-Minnich	Ron	HR			McFayden	Andrew	P		1
Mater	Jeanette	HR		1	McLeod	James	NP		1
McCall	Myrtle	HR			McClure	Caleb	P		1
McKenna	Jennifer	HR		1	McClure	Nancy	P		
Medina	Mark	HR			Melton	Stephen	P		
Miller	Scott	HR		1	Miller	Lynn	P		1
Morgan	Troy	R			Morgan	Robin	P		1
Myers	Anne	HR			Moss	Brian	P		1
Myers	Charles	HR		1	Mott	Leslie	NP		
Pace	Art	HR			Neubaum	Christian	P		
Park	John	HR			Opitz	Don	NP		
Potter	Donald	HR			Poteet	Margaret	P		1
Reinert	Nancy	HR		1	Robinson	Matthew	NP		
Richwine	James	HR		1	Schwab	Chris	P		1
Roach	Timothy	HR			Schwab	Rachel	NP		1
Ross	Anne	HR		1	Seelman	Stuart	P		1
Schmidt	John	HR			Smith	Allison	NP		1
Sheffield	Dick	HR			Smith	Kristal	NP		1
Sigler	Heather	HR			Stewart	Anne	NP		
Sproat	John	HR			Stockstill	Andrew	NP		
Strauss	Sandra	HR			Sutphin	Emily	NP		
Sullivan	Russell	HR			Tiedeck	Janice	P		1
Sweet	Thomas	HR			Velthius	Stephen	NP		
Thomas	Thomas D.	HR			Viau	Laura	P		1
Trask	Edward	HR			Vickery	Caroline	P		1
Uittenbogaard	Roger	HR			Wahlig	Donald	P		1
Uittenbogaard	Susan	HR			Whitaker	Stephen	P		
Van Schenkhof	Carol	HR			West	Howard	NP		
Washburn	Mary	HR		1	Wiant	Kelly	NP		
Williams	Dale	HR			Yaroschuk	Kathryn	NP		
Winsheimer	Harry	HR							
Work	Galen	HR							
Wright	David	HR							
					<b>Corresponding Member</b>			<b>0</b>	
					<b>Total HR Pastors</b>			<b>13</b>	<b>1</b>
					<b>Total Installed and NP Pastors</b>			<b>33</b>	<b>1</b>
					<b>Total MWS</b>			<b>46</b>	

