

Reports to the
Presbytery of Florida
Winter Stated Meeting



**Tuesday,
February 25, 2025
9 a.m. CST/10 a.m. EST
@ Grace Presbyterian
Church, Panama City**
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Attention, please!

- To help ensure accurate recording in the meeting minutes of the meeting attendance, elder commissioners should submit a completed [commissioner certification form](#) at meeting registration naming him/her as commissioner for the church, signed by the session moderator *or* clerk (both signatures are not necessary). This form is available along with other meeting materials at www.presbyteryofflorida.net/presbytery-meetings/meeting-dockets-documents/
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- **Requests to be excused** should be submitted by non-retired ministers who are unable to attend the meeting or sessions for whom an elder commissioner is not available for the meeting. Contact Stated Clerk/Acting General Presbyter Mark Broadhead at (850)535-2335, ext. 3, or statedclerk@presbyteryofflorida.com.
- **Lunch menu** – \$10 per person: Hot chicken salad, tossed salad, bread, dessert, tea/water. Please email reservations and any special dietary requests **by Monday, February 17, to gracechurchpc@gmail.com**.
- **Grace Presbyterian Church** is located at [1415 Airport Road, Panama City](#).



The Vision of the Presbytery of Florida is to be a Presbytery of strong, healthy, energetic congregations advancing the ministries of Jesus

The Mission of the Presbytery of Florida is to provide guidance, training, and assistance to our congregations to attain that Vision.

**DOCKET OF THE PRESBYTERY OF FLORIDA
STATED MEETING OF FEBRUARY 25, 2025 - 9:00 A.M. CST / 10:00 EST
GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PANAMA CITY**

(Note: All times listed are Central Time.)

THE BODY ASSEMBLING

- 8:00 Registration
- 9:00 Convene the Meeting of the Presbytery
- Declaration of a Quorum Mark Broadhead
 - Opening Prayer Mary Hodges
 - Adoption of the Docket Mark Broadhead
 - Welcome from host congregation and instructions..... Rev. Eric Spoon
 - Introductions Mary Hodges
 - First-Time Ruling Elders
 - First-Time Clergy
 - Corresponding Members
 - Others

THE BODY AT WORSHIP

- 9:15 Worship Rev. Hanlim Chae
- Installation of Moderator Ruling Elder Mary Hodges and Vice-Moderator Ruling Elder Greg Seltzer
 - Honoring the Ministry of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church
 - Recognition of Dr. Linda Lovins, Certified Church Musician, Presbyterian Association of Musicians

THE BODY GAINING KNOWLEDGE

- 10:15 Ministry Partner Reports
- Clark Simmons – Board of Pensions
 - Christy Williams – Dogwood Acres
 - Mark Broadhead – Communications to Presbytery
- 10:30 Resourcing Ministry of Leadership Development
- Racial Justice Subcommittee

12:00 ORDER OF THE DAY – LUNCH

THE BODY AT WORK

12:45	Reconvene with Centering Prayer.....	Mary Hodges
12:50	Report Highlights and Items for Action	
	• Ministry Coordinating Council	
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2:50	Staff Reports	
	• Treasurer – Michael Martin	Handout D
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THE BODY GOING FORTH TO FURTHER THE MINISTRIES OF JESUS CHRIST

3:05	(Or when business is complete) Closing Prayer Time and Adjourn.....	Mary Hodges
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Future Presbytery Meetings (all begin at 9:00 central time):

- Saturday, May 17, 2025 Dogwood Acres Summer Camp and Retreat Center
- Tuesday, August 12, 2025 TBD
- Tuesday, October 28, 2025 Korean First Presbyterian Church, Fort Walton Beach

**Minutes of Fall Stated Presbytery Meeting
at Christ Presbyterian Church – Tallahassee, FL
October 29, 2024**

The Presbytery of Florida, Inc., of the Synod of South Atlantic of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) met at Christ Presbyterian Church, Tallahassee, FL, for a Stated Meeting on Tuesday, October 29, 2024.

	Present	Absent	Total
Ruling Elders:			
- Session Commissioners	24	14	38
- Other Continuing Members (RE committee chairs {3}; RE officers {1}; RE educators {0})	4	0	4
- CLP/CRE	1	3	4
Total Ruling Elders	29	17	46
Ministers of Word and Sacrament	30	11	41
Total Present and Total Absent	59	28	87
Congregations Represented	26	10	36

Ministers of Word and Sacrament present (30):

Blair Beaver, *Mark Broadhead*, Hanlim Chae, Brad Clayton, *Brant Copeland*, Raymond Guterman, Hugh Hamilton, Glenn Hodges, James Holley, John Kelsay, Sun Kim, William “Bill” Lamont, *Ted Land*, Lisa Martin, A. J. Mealor, Cathy Mooney, Luis Ocasio Torres, Linda Pitts, Emily Proctor, Robert Quiring, Erin Rosica, Erin Rugh, Eric Spoon, Kim Stavenau, Sheldon Steen, John Stringer, Stacey Kaye White, Trinity Whitley, *Carol Wood*, *Joan Wooten*

(italics = Retired)

Ministers of Word and Sacrament absent (5/6):

Excused Ministers (5): Anne Apple, Kwon Soo Cho, Matthew Frease, *Pamela Phillips*, *Taylor Phillips*

Unexcused Ministers (6): Mary Baars O’Malley, Robert Bohnsack, John Cole, Tai Cole, Nicole Richardson, Rob Sugg

Ruling Elder Commissioners present/absent (24/17)

Blountstown, First – unexcused

Chipley, First – Leslie Kelley

Crestview, First – Tim Crawford

DeFuniak Springs, Bethel – unexcused

DeFuniak Springs, Euchee Valley – Tommy Yates

DeFuniak Springs, First – Hilda Jackson

Destin, First – unexcused

Fort Walton Beach, First – excused

- 27 **Fort Walton Beach, Korean- unexcused**
- 28 **Freeport, Freeport** – Becky Rose
- 29 **Gretna, Gretna** – Michael Clark
- 30 **Gulf Breeze, Gulf Breeze** – Stephen B. Meadow
- 31 **Havana, First** – unexcused
- 32 **Laurel Hill, Laurel Hill** – unexcused
- 33 **Lynn Haven, First** – Richard Kangas
- 34 **Marianna, First** – Joe Busby
- 35 **Milton, First** – Ann Smith
- 36 **Monticello, First** – unexcused
- 37 **Navarre, Navarre** – David Dick
- 38 **Panama City Beach, Gulf Beach** – unexcused
- 39 **Panama City, Grace** – excused
- 40 **Panama City, Parkway** – Albert Borovich
- 41 **Pensacola, First** – Susan Rapier

- 42 **Pensacola, Korean** – unexcused
- 43 **Pensacola, Northminster** – unexcused
- 44 **Pensacola, Trinity** – Boyce T. White
- 45 **Quincy, First** – Martha Sapp, Vicki Bell
- 46 **Red Bay, Red Bay** – excused
- 47 **Sawdust, Woodland** – Mary Yeomans
- 48 **Tallahassee, Christ** – Zana Raybon
- 49 **Tallahassee, Faith** – Curtis Jenkins, Charles Hood
- 50 Hood
- 51 **Tallahassee, Fellowship** – Elizabeth McGinnis
- 52 **Tallahassee, First** – Donna Barber
- 53 **Tallahassee, Lafayette** – Kay Lachat
- 54 **Tallahassee, Trinity United** – unexcused
- 55 **Wewahitchka, First** – Lisa Dorman

56 **Sessions not represented:**

57 **Excused Churches (3):**

- 58 Ft. Walton Beach, First
- 59 Panama City, Grace
- 60 Red Bay

61 **Unexcused Churches (11):**

- 62 Blountstown, First
- 63 DeFuniak Springs, Bethel
- 64 Destin, First
- 65 Fort Walton Beach, Korean
- 66 Havana, First
- 67 Laurel Hill
- 68 Monticello, First
- 69 Panama City Beach, Gulf Beach
- 70 Pensacola, Korean Community
- 71 Pensacola, Northminster
- 72 Tallahassee, Trinity United

Continuing Members:

CREs present (1):

Alan House

CREs absent (1):

Tonya Fernandes, Joanne Kublik, Greg Seltzer

Christian Educators with voice and vote present (0):

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Presbytery Staff Members (2): Michael Martin – Accountant/Treasurer; Melissa Willis – Administrator

Officers/Team Chairs (6): Vicki Bell – Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery Moderator; Tim Crawford (RE) – Strategic Plan Implementation Task Force Chair; Transitional Presbyter Search Committee Chair; Mary Hodges (RE) – Presbytery Moderator; Rich Kangas (RE) – Ministry of Representation (MR); Linda Lovins – Ministry of Congregational Health (MCH), Don Mowat (RE) – Ministry Coordinating Council (MCC)

Visitors (6): Sy Hughes (PC(USA) Presbyterian Mission Agency), Add Seymour (Columbia Theological Seminary), Edward Syfrett (First, Marianna), Donna Guterman (Faith, Tallahassee), Kathy Broyard (Florida Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Network), Olha Balaban (This Child Here)

Visiting Ministers (4): Charles Wiley, Victor Aloyo, Rob Schoonorer, Robert Gamble

OPENING PRAYER, QUORUM, DOCKET

Moderator Mary Hodges called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM CDT/10:00 AM EDT. A quorum (ten Ministers of Word and Sacrament and ten elders, representing at least ten member congregations) was present, and moderator Hodges opened the meeting with prayer.

The docket was approved.

WELCOME: The Rev. Dr. Sheldon Steen, Pastor to Christ Presbyterian Church, welcomed the Presbytery and gave instructions for the day's activity, meals, and facilities.

INTRODUCTIONS: First-time ruling elders, teaching elders, corresponding members, and visitors were introduced.

MORNING WORSHIP: The Rev. Emily Proctor and the Rev. Dr. Sheldon Steen led us in worship. Preaching from Daniel 7, Ms. Proctor creatively and humorously reflected on Halloween, horror movies, fears and phobias. As creatures of fear and judgment we easily fall prey to evil and peril, but assured of God's faithfulness, grace and peace, we are restored; we prevail and are at peace.

Continuing our worship and observing All Saints 2024, The Rev. Mark Broadhead led in reading the Necrology Report of Minsters and Ruling Elders who entered the Church Triumphant since All Saints 2023.

2024 Necrology Report

Ministers of Word and Sacrament:

The Rev. Dr. James Huffaker Panama City-Grace April 13, 2024

Stated Clerk:

Ruling Elder Jeannie Dixon Tallahassee-Fellowship October 2, 2024

Ruling Elders:

Ruling Elder Jean Clemons Ft. Walton Beach-First October 14, 2023
Ruling Elder Helen Reese Pensacola-First October 18, 2023
Ruling Elder Benjamin Powell Quincy-First November 5, 2023
Ruling Elder Leilia Vannoy Pensacola-Trinity December 5, 2023
Ruling Elder Doug Alumbaugh Pensacola-Trinity January 5, 2024
Ruling Elder James Dees Pensacola-Trinity January 6, 2024
Ruling Elder Sherwood DeForest Tallahassee-Lafayette January 15, 2024
Ruling Elder Norma Chumley Pensacola-Trinity January 18, 2024
Ruling Elder James (Jim) W. Turek Pensacola-First February 11, 2024
Ruling Elder Jean Calvert Pensacola-Trinity February 18, 2024
Ruling Elder Bill Burns Pensacola-Northminster February 20, 2024
Ruling Elder Madelon Sweat Tallahassee-Faith February 23, 2024
Ruling Elder Monticello Campbell Tallahassee-Fellowship March 15, 2024
Ruling Elder Tim Couch Pensacola-Trinity April 5, 2024
Ruling Elder Sarah Robinson Tallahassee-Faith April 18, 2024
Ruling Elder Lois Franklin Tallahassee-Faith April 26, 2024
Ruling Elder Marge Shimmin Pensacola-Trinity May 4, 2024
Ruling Elder Patricia Campbell Tallahassee-Christ May 23, 2024
Ruling Elder Al Fletcher Tallahassee-Fellowship July 10, 2024
Ruling Elder Nancy Nesvik Pensacola-Trinity July 19, 2024
Ruling Elder Barbara Carolyn Black Tallahassee-Trinity United July 24, 2024
Ruling Elder Elisabeth Betty Anne Lambert Pensacola-First July 25, 2024
Ruling Elder Claudia Huber DeFuniak Springs-First July 29, 2024
Ruling Elder William Charles Garvin Tallahassee-Christ August 29, 2024
Ruling Elder Gary Nellis Pensacola-Grace September 2, 2024
Ruling Elder Mary Cook Moffett Hufford Pensacola-First September 12, 2024
Ruling Elder Robert Cowen Marianna-First September 13, 2024

Ruling Elder Patricia Ligon Murfee.....Lynn Haven-First.....September 17, 2024
Ruling Elder Arthur GomillionRed BaySeptember 23, 2024

MINISTRY PARTNER REPORTS:

Dogwood Acres: Chirsty Williams: First Presbyterian Church - Quincy FL has financed renovations to the dining hall and kitchen. The High School students on Presbytery’s Youth Council designed, prepared, and led the SpiritFest 2024 youth retreat addressing the stresses youth face today. Amidst the active big group activities, the retreat featured times of quiet and peace, Bible study, prayers, and meditation. Since 1966 Dogwood Acres has served well because of financial support and volunteers from presbytery and from congregations. Christy Williams appealed to churches to put Dogwood Acres in their annual budgets as DWA transitions toward being a 501(c) (3) organization.

Ukraine: This Child Here: Bob Gamble: The Rev. Dr. Bob Gamble, Executive Director of This Child Here, a validated ministry in the Presbyterian Church (SA) and a U.S. 501c3 organization serving orphans, foster children, adoptive families, and war refugee families in Ukraine. In addition to serving needs in war-torn families in Ukraine, This Child Here teaches skills of reconciliation and peacemaking and helps families to survive the war with dignity and hope. This Child Here works for a bright future, educating, nurturing, comforting children and families, instilling hope and developing work skills preparing families for their future. The organization draws heavily on Romans 5: 2-5: “We boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.” This Child Here is helping people live into this reality, building a community of love and trust. Bob shared that he and Anna, Assistant Director of This Child Here are engaged to be married!

Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, GA: President the Rev. Dr. Victor Aloyo: Amidst the challenging dynamics of today’s church and theological education, the Seminary is moving with confidence, not with a spirit of scarcity or fear. The faculty and staff are reexamining the infrastructure to prepare for mission to the greater church and community. Presently, enrollment is 200 students: from 27 states, 28 full time faculty. 33% of students are from the Presbyterian Church (USA). Columbia is preparing students to lead creative and transformative ministries due to the changing dynamics of today’s churches. The church is crisis, but it is also stable, able to address the issues we face. The church is not dying, it is transforming to meet new needs, embracing innovative approaches to ministry. Across the USA search committees are not finding pastoral candidates. Dr. Aroyo emphasized that congregations must nurture Elders, Deacons, Educators, and members to consider the ministry and Chistian vocations. In the last 10 years, 68% of seminary graduates have resigned, renounced, or left the ministry due to the tough demands and difficulties of the ministry. To cope and to succeed, seminaries, congregations, and judicatories must create community to sustain ministries and ministers.

Ministry Engagement: The Presbyterian Mission Agency: Sy Hughes, Regional Representative: Mr. Hughes thanked the presbytery for our continued financial support and offered resources, workshop leaders, speakers, and presentations on missions, anti-racism, church development, and redevelopment. The PC(USA) catalog of giving and support opportunities offers ideas for Christmas Gifts, Mission Fair projects and specific mission endeavors suitable for individuals, groups, classes and congregations, to adopt and support. Mr. Hughes encouraged us to use him as our own “Google” to search for resources and to make PC(USA) program staff connections.

Presbyterian Association of Musicians (PAM): Linda Lovins: Dr. Lovins highlighted PAM resources for worship, preaching, and music planning. The 2025 PAM annual Worship and Music Conference in Montreat, NC, “Clothed in Love”, and regional PAM conferences offer proximity and flexibility in resourcing worship and music leaders and staff. The new *CALL TO WORSHIP* liturgical planning resource is included in PAM membership dues and available in print and digital format.

Florida Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Network (FPLADAN): Kathy Broyard, Executive Director:

FLAPDAN has been active responding to tornadoes, hurricanes and floods in 2024. Presbyteries in the Florida peninsula were hit hard with extensive damage. In the St. Petersburg area, 7 of 8 churches in the flood zone were flooded. FLAPDAN is averaging 8 Zoom calls a day, coordinating FEMA, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) and state agencies coordinating aid and advocating for people to get needed help. FLAPDAN distributed over 1000 “Clean Up Buckets” prepared by churches in our presbyteries. Presently financial donations to PDA are the best approach to short-term needs.

Special Recognition of Ruling Elder Jeannie Dixon, Former Stated Clerk

The Rev. A. J. Mealor, Pastor to Fellowship Presbyterian Church-Tallahassee, presented a celebration of life for Jeannie Dixon, beloved educator and Stated Clerk of our presbytery. Special recognition of her generosity and service highlighted the celebration. As an educator, she was always learning more. Jeannie Dixon brought imaginative and creative approaches to building community, and her consistent emphasis was, “Everyone is a beloved child of God.” The presbytery celebrated Jeannie as a good, kind, loyal and faithful servant of God, and we are blessed because of her servant leadership. Stated Clerk Mark Broadhead presented a \$5600 check to Kathy Broyard, Executive Director of FLAPDAN, funds contributed by churches and individuals in memory of Stated Clerk Jeanie Dixon.

RESOURCING ONE ANOTHER EDUCATIONAL HOUR: The Rev. Cathy Mooney, Ministry of Leadership Development Moderator: Members of presbytery had been invited to bring resources, suggestions, and ideas for planning worship and celebrations of Advent and Christmas. The presbytery separated into breakout groups according to church sizes and shared with one another stories of Advent successes and failures, recommended resources and varied approaches to planning activities, worship, music, and preaching for Advent and Christmas.

LUNCH BREAK

MINISTRY & COMMISSION REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

**Ministry of Congregational Health (MCH): Linda Lovins, Moderator
For Information:**

Update on Freeport Pastoral Leadership Grant:

2024 – 50% of annual award (\$16,476) - disbursed

2025 – 100% of annual amount (\$32,952)

2026 – 100% of annual amount (\$32,952)

2027 – final 50% of annual award (\$16,476)

The current Presbytery map – Now reflects the closure of St. Andrews

Presbytery Liaison Training The liaison process is intended to be sensitive of the church’s pastor(s) and elders’ time, and to the sense of “impending doom” that seems to accompany most contact initiated by Presbytery representatives. The work of Presbytery Liaisons (PLs) is designed to be relational and communicative, and it’s hoped this face-to-face interaction will be of benefit to both our churches and the

Presbytery overall.

Emergency Funds: First, Wewahitchka has repairs still needed and new additional needs. Further funding is required. MCH will encourage First, Wewahitchka to apply for further funding. First, Lynn Haven suffered recent storm damage to AC and office equipment. MCH cannot consider further funding until the required 18 months have elapsed since last aid was awarded. After the waiting period is up, First, Lynn Haven may apply, if they so wish.

Blountstown First Presbyterian Church had two remaining members. 5-7 people attend worship each week. Lack of finances and a small membership have brought the congregation to the realization it most likely needs to be dissolved. The Ministry Coordinating Council (MCC) has approved an Administrative Commission (AC) with original jurisdiction, if needed. If approved by the Presbytery at the October meeting, the newly-formed AC will send in a listening team and, as appropriate, help the remaining members of Blountstown take the necessary steps. Two people in the community have already expressed interest in purchasing the property.

Boundary Policies: Anti-racism/discrimination and anti-harassment policies will be worked on collaboratively by the Ministry of Leadership Development (MLD) and the MCH. Often, congregants don't realize their pastoral leaders and people sitting next to them in worship serve on Presbytery ministry teams. To honor these **good works** in the Presbytery, the MCH will collaborate with the Ministry of Representation to publish and send to each Pastor and Clerk of Session the list of all persons who serve on a Presbytery ministry team for recognition and celebration by their church families. The Presbytery is grateful for the gracious service of its various ministry team members and wishes to thank and honor them annually each February.

Ministry of Dogwood Acres (MDWA): Bill Lamont, Moderator

Camp registrations for elementary school-aged campers were higher this summer than in previous summers. Unfortunately, our middle school registrations were lower this year. This trend shadows what churches are reporting (post-Covid) regarding declining participation in church youth programming. MDWA is working to improve youth involvement by focusing on youth programming throughout the year and during our summer camp season. MDWA is challenged by a lack of qualified male counselors – especially ones who can articulate their faith, possess an understanding of children, and exude a love of nature. Hence, they had to cap registration for some weeks of camp because of inadequate supervision for campers and this lack has an adverse effect on retreats during the year, as well.

About 50 campers and chaperones gathered for SpiritFest on Oct 11-13, focusing on Colossians 3:12-15 and Matthew 18:21-33. SpiritFest was a fun weekend of fellowship, affirmation of young people's leadership in the church, and awareness of how scripture and Spirit are shaping us into more faithful disciples.

Booking retreats for church groups in the panhandle and beyond has been strong. Recently a group of 7th graders from a school in Orlando came for a week of hiking and environmental education. In February, a group of women kayakers from Virginia will use Dogwood a for a week-long retreat MDWA continues to seek more groups interested in DWA for a day, weekend, or full week. We offer special rates for PCUSA congregations and non-profits, and there is a 10% discount given to anyone booking our property during the week.

The MDWA has been tasked with becoming a 501c3 organization. Lacking expertise in negotiating this transition, MDWA is seeking people with skills in law, personnel, insurance, marketing, policy, finance, business, healthcare, and non-profit management to help. MDWA requests and appreciates your help with

names and contact information. MDWA is considering hiring a project manager to help walk us through this process, adding to the costs of this transition process.

MDWA also requests recommendations of people with strong fundraising/development skills.

MDWA continues to focus on improvements to the site: the entire property was recently surveyed, giving us a clear definition of our boundaries. Plans are underway to make some improvements to the dining room/kitchen facilities and renovations to the adjacent bathrooms.

Dogwood provides a rich and meaningful ministry to the Presbytery of Florida, to its churches, and to an ever-growing group beyond our bounds. The members of MDWA are all united in their love of Dogwood and their desire to serve the Lord in this ministry.

Ministry of Leadership Development (MLD): Cathy Mooney, Moderator

Work is underway on the MLD ministry handbook. MLD enrolled as an Inquirer Rose Walters, member of Faith Presbyterian Church, Tallahassee, and first year student at Austin Theological Seminary.

Ministry of Pastoral Transition (MPT): Lisa Martin, Moderator

MPT has reviewed statistics from Church Leadership Connection and how to improve the matching process for candidates and search committees. MPT is working with the following churches in search for pastoral leaders: 1st Pensacola, Trinity Pensacola, Crestview, Laurel Hill, 1st Fort Walton Beach, Euchee Valley, 1st Quincy, Lafayette, 1st Tallahassee

Work continues on the MPT Manual of Operations. MPT Approved the following: Terms of Call – Robert Quiring, 1st Pensacola, Parkway – Rev. Kim Stavenau contract revision; approved Ministry Discernment Profile (MDP) for Associate Pastor – 1st Pensacola; Appointed Rev. Sun Kim as moderator for 1st Destin;

Approved revised interim contracts for Rev. John and Rev. Tai Cole – 1st Quincy; Rev. Hanlim Chae – Lafayette; appointed clergy colleagues: Cathy Mooney for Stacey Kaye White; Emily Proctor for Nicole Richardson; approved terms of call for candidate Jean Homrighausen to Trinity, Pensacola; approved Temporary Supply Pastor contract for Rev. Dr. John Stringer and 1st Fort Walton Beach; Received minutes from the installation of Rev. Dr. Nicole Richardson – South Walton Presbyterian New Worshiping Community of Santa Rosa Beach; Sustained the examination of Minister of Word and Sacrament candidate Jean Homrighausen.

Ministry of Presbytery Operations (MPO): Eric Spoon, Moderator

Financials: As of Augst 31, 2024 we are \$28,736.72 in the red. However, MPO is confident that if all churches complete at least their minimum shared support in 2024, we will finish the year in the black.

Stewardship: Separate from the 2024 pledge reminders, MPO will submit to churches a stewardship brochure urging sessions, treasurers, and congregations to establish and reply with their 2025 pledges, per the \$78.00/per capita request before the end of 2024.

Presbytery Property: A few areas of the Presbytery Office need attention from construction issues but it is understood that the builder will take care of it at no charge.

Administrative Commission- St Andrews Presbyterian Church: Eric Spoon, Chair

The commission met with the realtor to discuss the status of the property and marketing options going forward. The property has been shown to several organizations including churches, a daycare facility, and other interested groups, but no official offers have been made on the property. Commission decided the best plan was to place a for-sale sign on the property and reduce the list price to \$1,450,000.00. There are still some items in the church that have not been given away; to walk through to see what is left, contact

Rev. Eric Spoon to set up an appointment. The vital documents of the congregation have been boxed and will be shipped to the Presbyterian Historical Society.

Administrative Commission – Red Bay Presbyterian Church: Mark Broadhead, Chair

The congregation currently has 4 active members, with possibly 2 or 3 other members that have not been seen in worship for a very long time. There are currently 2 Session members. The congregation is in very good shape financially. Worship services are rotated between the three congregations, averaging about 20 people each Sunday.

Because of the unique relationship of the three congregations in the immediate area (Presbyterian, Baptist, and Methodist), their close proximity and shared community, the AC feels closing the church at this time is not necessary. The AC is aiding the aging members of the congregation to continue their work and mission. Due to challenges in record-keeping and financial tracking, the AC is assisting the congregation with its recordkeeping and financial management and future guidance as needed. Commissioned Ruling Elder Joanne Kublik has been doing an excellent job moderating the session and congregational meetings, providing pastoral care, and much more. Session records and financial recordkeeping are beyond the scope of her contract; the work of this AC is as much to help her as it is the congregation. The late Rev. Durl Odom, who had a long relationship with this congregation, digitized Session minutes and church records, which will be shared with the administrative commission. Talks with the church treasurer, Walter Ray, continue on to how best assist with financial record-keeping.

The administrative commission is enthusiastic about its work with the Red Bay congregation, looking forward to assisting in its life and ministry.

Strategic Plan Implementation Taskforce: Tim Crawford, Chair

Topics Addressed: Work continues on all Ministries’ handbooks. The Ministry of Representation is responsible for finding six members for each ministry, should a ministry need/request additional members it is the ministry’s responsibility to find those members

Year One Goals – per strategic plan

Year 1 March 1, 2024 – February 28, 2025	
Move from static to ecstatic.	
Goal	Status as of October 2024
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce and eliminate duplication and unnecessary or detrimental efforts. 	In work – Ministry Handbook work and completion will identify areas where improvement is needed and provide the presbytery an assessment tool for meeting the goal
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change presbytery meetings to become more educational and supportive in nature. 	Working – Initial implementation has been successful. Ongoing effort will continue to be monitored closely as Year 1 effort proceeds.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop an atmosphere more in line of an assembly of pastors, elders, leaders, staff persons, and congregational members. 	In-work – August meeting invited church stewardship members/teams. More work is essential to fully engage church sessions and congregations. One measure of this effort’s results should show an increased participation at presbytery meetings and other functions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommended Ministry Structure 	In place and functioning – increased performance should be realized with ministry handbook completion

Transitional Presbyter Search Committee: Tim Crawford, Chair

As was reported to the last presbytery meeting, after 6 months of intentional and intensive work, prayer, and discernment, the Transitional Presbyter Search Committee selected a candidate who we

wholeheartedly believe God equipped and called to be our Transitional Presbyter. In September, the Ministry Coordinating Council elected to chart a new direction for this position. The search committee met with MCC in October, where it was suggested that MCC leaders would draft a new position description in the coming months; our committee work will remain on hold until a new position is approved. We remain grateful for the opportunity to work together and will continue to pray for our presbytery and whoever will one day lead it through this transition period.

Discussion, Questions and Answers: Due to misunderstandings, miscues, a process that bogged down, confusion as to what examination was appropriate for the candidate and by whom (search Committee, MPT, MCC?), whether this was a contractual hire or a called position, and factors which led to the contract being revoked and the candidate withdrawing, questions were asked and addressed by those involved in the search process.

It was moved, seconded, and approved 1) that the Ministry Coordinating Council will issue a letter of apology to the candidate now disengaged, 2) that the MCC will form a core group to clarify expectations of Stated Clerk, General Presbyter, and/or a combined position, and fulltime vs parttime, 3) that the job description will be brought to the presbytery for a vote, and 4) that current members of the Search Committee be invited to continue the search process and any members that do not wish to continue be replaced.

In a final motion, Alan House moved, Trinity Whitley seconded, and the presbytery approved: *That the presbytery ask the Ministry Coordinating Council (MMC) to conduct in-person listening sessions by regions/districts across our membership regarding the direction of our future paid leadership positions of our presbytery and the stated clerk, and that they bring back a recommendation to the next stated meeting (February 2025) or a meeting called for that purpose.*

Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery of Florida: Vicki Bell, Moderator

PW Fall Coordinating Team Meeting and Workshop will be held on November 9th at First Presbyterian Church in Chipley. The 2024-2025 Presbyterian Women's Directory is completed and will be distributed at the meeting. The meeting will feature breakout sessions for Moderators, Treasurers, Historians and Together-In Service Coordinators. PWWF continues to search for Presbyterian Women to join our Coordinating Team. Please encourage the Presbyterian Women of your congregations to consider volunteering on the Coordinating Team. Presbyterian Women will be representing our Presbytery at the Mission Haven Board Meeting and the PW Synod of South Atlantic Coordinating Team Meeting at Columbia Seminary starting on October 24th through October 26th 2024. Mission Haven is doing a cookbook fundraiser, and they welcome recipes submitted by Columbia theological Seminary alumni.

MINISTRY & COMMISSION REPORTS FOR ACTION

Ministry Coordinating Council (MCC): Don Mowat, Moderator:

MCC recommended and presbytery approved

1. That presbytery amend the Bylaws of the Presbytery of Florida Section IV: Government by adding a new paragraph 8:
 7. The Presbytery Women Moderator, the PW Vice-Moderator and Youth Council member shall have voice on the floor of presbytery.
 8. *Church musicians that attain the level of Certified Church Musician credentialed by the Presbyterian Association of Musicians (PAM) shall have voice on the floor of presbytery.*
 9. Floor privileges do not include the right to vote or to make motions. Visitors may be accorded the privilege of the floor when the council (presbytery) so desires.

2. In response to complaints about unsolicited handouts distributed at presbytery meetings by non-commissioners, MCC recommended and presbytery approved the following addition to the Presbytery Manual of Operations, Section VII – Presbytery Meetings, Presbytery Meeting Planning:
Any organization, individual, or entity wishing to present petitions, handouts, flyers, or presentations on socio-political issues that are not part of the business of the presbytery or denomination, and are not endorsed by a presbytery ministry or the Ministry Coordinating Council (MCC) must submit the request and materials to the MCC for approval before the presbytery docket is compiled.

It was agreed that we need to create guidelines for such approvals/disapprovals.

2. MCC recommended and presbytery approved the following Titles and Terms for temporary pastoral relationships in accord with the current Book of Order G-2.05040b:

Interim Pastor – for up to 12 months and renewable.
 Interim Associate Pastor – for up to 12 months and renewable
 Interim General Presbyter – for up to 12 months an renewable
 Stated Supply – for up to 12months and renewable.

3. MMC recommended and Presbytery approved the election of the Rev. Mark Broadhead (Retired) to continue to serve as Stated Clerk/Acting General Presbyter until March 1, 2025, renewable if needed and negotiated.

Ministry of Congregational Health: Linda Lovins

MCH recommended and presbytery approved an Administrative Commission (AC) with authority up to and including establishment of original jurisdiction, as warranted, to dissolve the congregation of the Blountstown First Presbyterian Church. This comes at the request from the congregation due to low membership (2) and the ages of the remaining members. The members of the AC approved: Rev. Dr. Brant Copeland (Retired), Chair; Rev. Stacey Kaye White, Elder Deborah Potter, Rev. Blair Beaver, Elder Linda Shelley.

Ministry of Presbytery Operations: Eric Spoon

The MPPO recommended and the presbytery approved the 2025 Preliminary Budget. Final budget will be presented at the February 2025 Stated Winter meeting of the presbytery.

2025 Proposed Budget
 (As of 10/4/24)

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	
Receipts			
Shared Support	\$ 347,596.00	\$ 339,144.00	4,348 Members
Other Income	\$ 500.00	\$ -	4,360 -
Amount From Reserves	\$ -	\$ -	GA/Synod
			\$78/Member
Total Receipts	\$ 348,096.00	\$ 339,144.00	
Disbursements			
Per Capita			
Per Capita - General Assembly	\$ 43,502.00	\$ 44,472.00	\$10.20/Member
Per Capita - Synod	\$ 6,659.00	\$ 6,540.00	\$1.50/Member
Total Per Capita	\$ 50,161.00	\$ 51,012.00	
Ministry of Congregational Health (MCH)			
Minister's Emergency Assistance Fund	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	
Church Liaison Expenses	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	

Resources (Holy Cow/MissionInsite)	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,700.00
Ministry Expense	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Total MCH	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 3,200.00

Ministry of Dogwood Acres (MDWA)	\$ 66,586.00	\$ 63,512.00
Total MDWA	\$ 66,586.00	\$ 63,512.00

Ministry of Leadership Development (MLD)

FLAPDAN Membership Dues	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 1,750.00
Campus Ministry (Ukirk Tallahassee)	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 14,000.00
Annual Consultation with Candidates	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Candidates' Aid Fund	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Disaster Relief	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Moderator Training (online)	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Leader Development Events	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
CLP Support, Workshop Leaders, etc.		
Guatemala Partnership Development	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Racial Justice Subcommittee	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Ministry Expense	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Total MLD	\$ 25,100.00	\$ 25,100.00

Ministry of New Congregation Formation (MNCF)

Ministry Expense	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Total MNC	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00

Ministry of Pastoral Transitions (MPT)

Ministry Expense	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Total MPT	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00

Ministry Coordinating Council (MCC)

Staff

General Presbyter Salary	\$ 42,000.00	\$ 42,000.00
GP IRA	\$ -	\$ -
GP Housing	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 11,000.00
GP Utilities	\$ -	\$ -
GP Mileage Reimbursement	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
GP Continuing Ed and Books	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
GP Other Travel & Business Expense	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
GP BOP	\$ -	\$ -
GP SECA	\$ 4,055.00	\$ 4,055.00
Subtotal General Presbyter	\$ 63,555.00	\$ 63,555.00
Administrator's Salary	\$ 38,445.00	\$ 39,791.00
Administrator's Annuity	\$ 720.00	\$ 720.00
Administrator's Medical Insurance	\$ 10,225.00	\$ 10,225.00
Administrator's Travel	\$ 4,600.00	\$ 4,600.00
Administrator's Continuing Ed	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Subtotal Administrator	\$ 54,990.00	\$ 56,336.00
Treasurer Salary	\$ 13,873.00	\$ 14,359.00

Treasurer Mileage	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
Subtotal Treasurer	\$ 14,673.00	\$ 15,159.00
Stated Clerk Salary	\$ 15,870.00	\$ 16,426.00
Stated Clerk Travel	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Subtotal Stated Clerk	\$ 17,870.00	\$ 18,426.00
Recording Clerk	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Staff Payroll Taxes	\$ 5,484.00	\$ 11,741.00
Salary Adjustments (Prop 2% increase)	\$ 1,363.00	\$ -
Workers Compensation Insurance	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00
Total Staff	\$ 160,835.00	\$ 168,117.00
Presbytery Meeting Expense	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
Ministry Expense	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Total MCC	\$ 161,935.00	\$ 169,217.00
Ministry of Presbytery Operations (MPO)		
Memorials/Flowers	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
Equipment Service	\$ 400.00	\$ 500.00
Postage	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Utilities / Office	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00
Office Telcom & Communications	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 3,750.00
Property Maintenance	\$ 600.00	\$ 900.00
Supplies & Expenses	\$ 1,330.00	\$ 1,330.00
Copier Lease	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 2,700.00
Insurance & Bonding	\$ 10,123.00	\$ 10,123.00
Bank Service Charges	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
Financial Records Review	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Publications/Resources	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Ministry Expense	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Total MPO	\$ 24,103.00	\$ 24,503.00
Ministry on Representation (MR)		
Ministry Expenses	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Total MR	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Permanent Judicial Committee (PJC)		
Ministry Expense	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Total PJC	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Total Expenses	\$ 334,685.00	\$ 339,144.00
Total Budget	\$ 13,411.00	\$ -

Ministry of Pastoral Transitions (MPT): Lisa Martin

1.Examination for Ordination – Jean Homrighausen. Due to illness with COVID, Ms. Homrighausen was absent from the meeting and unable to preach before the presbytery as planned and to stand examination on the floor of presbytery. After discussion of options, presbytery commissioned the Ministry Coordinating Council, with Chairs and Vice-chairs and any pastors wishing to attend, to meet in person at

the presbytery office to hear Candidate Homrighausen preach and to sustain her suitability for the Associate Pastor position at Trinity Presbyterian Church – Pensacola. The Examination Committee of MPT had previously examined and approved Mrs. Homrighausen and recommended her to presbytery for approval.

2. MPT Manual of Policies and Procedures: Submitted to commissioners for review prior to the meeting of presbytery, and with no questions or discussion, the presbytery approved the MPT manual.

3. Retirement of the Rev. Dr. Hugh Hamilton. The Rev. Mark Broadhead shared personal remarks about the ministry of Dr. Hugh Hamilton, Pastor/Head of Staff to Trinity Presbyterian Church – Pensacola, FL for almost 26 years and presented a Resolution of Retirement for Hugh Hamilton. The presbytery approved with thanks said retirement effective January 26, 2025. Dr. Hamilton then expressed his love and appreciation for the presbytery.

Retirement Recognition of the Rev. Dr. William Hugh Hamilton, III

As I was preparing this eulogy, I mean resolution of retirement, I was reminded of a bumper sticker I saw many years ago during the Jesus Revolution of the 1970's: "Jesus is coming! Look busy!" Hugh has been a very busy colleague in ministry.

It has been my privilege to have known the Rev. Dr. William Hugh Hamilton, III since 1999. He came to this presbytery after serving a 16-year ministry in Tennessee, at which time he was much, much younger and less gray. Over the years, it has been a privilege to share in ministry with him.

Hugh arrived in Pensacola with his lovely wife, Sandy, and two daughters, Lindsay who now lives in Nashville, and Jenny who serves as an associate dean at the University of West Florida. As I reflected on all the ways Hugh engaged in his life, ministry, and community involvement, I found myself wondering: How did he find time for his family *and* do all that he did??

His pastorates include:

- 1980-1983 : Associate Pastor, Campus Ministry, First Presbyterian Church, Starkville, MS, 3 years
- 1983-1999 : Pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Covington, TN, 16 years
- 1999-present: Senior Pastor/Head of Staff, Trinity Presbyterian Church, Pensacola, FL - forever

In addition to pastoring these congregations, Hugh served in many different capacities. I found myself getting exhausted going through all he has, and is, accomplishing. For example...

Other service to the Denomination:

While serving in Memphis Presbytery from 1983-1999, he served as chair of the Committee on Ministry; was a member of the Committee on Preparation for Ministry, chaired the Presbytery Coordinating Council; was Moderator of the Presbytery – *twice!* (He either did a fantastic job and they wanted him to do it again, or he did a terrible job and wanted him to serve again so he could get it right. Don't know which); served as Co-Chair for the Presbytery Strategic Planning Task Force; and in 1991 was a Commissioner to General Assembly

After arriving in the Presbytery of Florida, the whirlwind of activity continued.

He served on the Dogwood Acres Committee, was a Presenter at the LOGOS National Leadership Training School, was a small group leader and Back Home leader for the Montreat Youth Conference, was the Moderator of the Presbytery of Florida – *twice!* (I refer you to my previous comment), served on the Coordinating Council, chaired the Florida Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Network, and was on the Alumni Council of Columbia Theological Seminary and was President *twice!* Although they were 25 years apart (again - please note my previous comment).

Hugh served on the Presbytery Permanent Judicial Commission, chaired the Presbytery Disaster Preparation and Response Team, served on the Committee on Preparation for Ministry, was a Commissioner to PCUSA General Assembly for a second time, was part of the South Africa Mission Partnership Team with Gugeletu, South Africa; was part of several administrative commissions and listening teams (which provided a few more gray hairs than normally would have appeared at a later date), chaired the Committee on Mission and Outreach, served on the Strategic Planning Task Force, and is currently part of the Ministry of Leadership Development.

Okay. You tired yet? There's more. Beyond his service to the local congregation, presbytery, and General Assembly, Hugh was also very involved in community matters.

He was part of the Pensacola Area Ministerial Association (PAMA), was on the board of the Interfaith Committee, *BRACE* (Be Ready Alliance Coordinating for Emergencies, hurricane/disaster relief and served as its chair.

He is a member of Rotary International, served on the Board of Directors of the Rotary Club of Pensacola, is on the Board of Directors of the Lakeview Center and currently serves as the President of the board. He is the chair of the Families First Network Team, and part of the Pastors Advisory Council for United Ministries of Escambia County.

Now, add to this, being a loving and faithful husband to Sandy, and father to Lindsay and Jenny and all that entailed – school activities, vacations, household chores, loving and caring shared all around. Honestly, I don't know how he found time to be the Senior Pastor/Head of Staff for his congregation! But by all reports, he did very well.

Hugh likes to collect things. One particular collection is that of cameras. If you were to go into his office at the church, you would see scattered among the shelves, various cameras spanning much of the history of photography. He also has a fondness for fountain pens. In fact, there are various types of ink on display on the shelves in his office.

But, more than anything else, he has a rich collection of anecdotes from his many years of ministry. And he willingly shares them. He and I have shared rides to various meetings in the presbytery. Telling those stories made the long miles from one end of the presbytery to the other seem to melt away. Laughter usually filled the car in both directions.

We have heard some of the anecdotes here during presbytery meetings, bringing laughter and lightness. There was a recent meeting of the presbytery council when Hugh said he needed just one minute to make a quick announcement at an upcoming presbytery meeting. Everyone looked at each other, and with an eye roll said, "Hugh, you cannot give an announcement without telling a story. You'll need more than one minute." All had a good chuckle over that. And with a smile Hugh said, "Challenge accepted." And by golly, during that presbytery meeting, he made a quick announcement without telling a story – although, everyone on the council could tell it was a painful experience for him to not tell a story.

You know, as we get older, there can be a tendency for people to retell the same stories more than once. Apparently this has been the case with Hugh on occasion. If ever you are in a circle of people listening to some of Hugh's stories – and Sandy is present – watch Sandy out of your peripheral vision. If you see her take two of her fingers and place them on her forearm, that's a signal to Hugh that he has already told that story enough times and he needs to move on.

Over the years, Hugh has been a good pastor to the folks of Starkville, Covington, Trinity Presbyterian Church and beyond. He has been busy, but it wasn't busy work. He was responding to the call he felt in his heart to serve the kingdom of our Lord as best he could, in as many ways as he could.

Going through several hurricanes and devastating storms, he navigated the treacherous waters flowing around, in, and through the church facilities.

In a world that is full of pain and confusion, Hugh provided a voice of reason and calm when confronting challenging circumstances, helping make difficult decisions – whether in the church or within the presbytery.

There are many more accomplishments in Hugh's history. And in many ways the accomplishments I've mentioned, and others that are too numerous to mention he achieved during his 44 years of ministry are fantastic.

But there is something to be remembered. People will not always remember what you did, but they will always remember how you made them feel. And, people don't care how much you know until they know how much you care.

The underlying foundation for Hugh's ministry has been sharing the love of Jesus Christ that he himself has known all these years. He has said his mission in life is to increase in others their love of God and neighbor. By living the parable of the sheep and the goats from Matthew 25, many have been fed, many have been clothed, many have been rescued from a life of despondency and have risen to new levels of self-worth, stature, and faith.

Now, if you think after sharing all these things about Hugh makes him sound larger than life, like he walks on water.... the only reason Hugh looks like he walks on water is because he knows where the stumps are. And those stumps are the teachings of Jesus Christ, the foundation on which Hugh based his life and ministry.

So, having said all this, I put before the Presbytery of Florida the following resolution:

**Resolution of Retirement for The Rev. Dr. William Hugh Hamilton, III
January 26, 2025**

Whereas, the Reverend Doctor William Hugh Hamilton, III accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Lord and Savior and committed his life to serving God as led by God's Holy Spirit; and

Whereas, Hugh was called by his Savior to serve the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ, and responded to that call, graduating Columbia Theological Seminary in 1980; and

Whereas, Hugh's first call to serve was as the Associate Pastor for Campus Ministry with First Presbyterian Church of Starkville, Mississippi in 1980; and

Whereas, God moved in his heart to journey further along his path, so he accepted a call to serve as Pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Covington, Tennessee in 1983; and

Whereas, God desired to have Hugh continue to open his mind to even deeper education and led him to earn a Doctorate of Ministry through Memphis Theological Seminary in 1994; and

Whereas, God moved Hugh to serve as Senior Pastor/Head of Staff at Trinity Presbyterian Church of Pensacola, Florida from 1999-2025; and

Whereas, Hugh fulfilled his 44 years of ministry in obedience to Jesus Christ under the authority of Scripture, was governed by our church's polity and abided by its discipline, was a friend among his colleagues in ministry and worked with them, sought in his own life to follow Jesus Christ, loved his neighbors, worked for the reconciliation of the world, strove to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church, and touched the lives of countless others, living the gospel of Jesus Christ in thought, word, and deed, having served with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love;

Therefore, now be it resolved that the Presbytery of Florida grants to the Reverend Doctor William Hugh Hamilton, III the honorable status of Retired as of January 26, 2025 giving thanks to Almighty God for the breadth, depth, intensity, and creativity of his ministry, and for the faithful and graceful ways that he envisioned and lived his call.

Be it further resolved that this resolution be spread upon the minutes and the hearts of the Presbytery of Florida at this, its Fall 2024 Stated Meeting, and that a fair copy be presented to the Reverend Doctor William Hugh Hamilton, III.

Ministry of Representation: Rich Kangas

The MR recommended and presbytery approved the following:

Greg Seltzer – Vice Moderator of Presbytery, Class 2025, Northminster, Pensacola

Rev. Stacey Kaye White – Class 2026, Ministry of Pastoral Transitions, Freeport

Craig Chormann, Class of 2027, Ministry of Congregational Health, Northminster, Pensacola

STAFF REPORTS

Accountant/Treasurer Michael Martin:

In addition to the printed financial reports submitted, Mr. Martin shared that 2025 asking budgets are in process by the ministries prior to the presbytery's appeal to congregations for financial pledges for 2025. Mr. Martin also appealed to churches to catch up on their pledged giving to-date. Bottom line, as of September 2024: though expenses are below budget, still expenses exceed income, leaving net operating income (-\$29,774.86)

Stated Clerk: Mark Broadhead

- **Jeannie Dixon, former Stated Clerk**

Please keep in your prayers the family of our former Stated Clerk, Jeannie Dixon. Her passing has left a huge hole in many lives, including her extended family, many friends and colleagues around the country and in our denomination, as well as the life of the Presbytery of Florida. She is sorely missed by those left behind, but, I am sure, she is greatly rejoicing in the presence of our Lord, hearing the words, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

- **Hurricane Recovery**

Florida Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Network (FLAPDAN) has been extremely busy with providing information and assistance following the two hurricanes that have recently decimated portions of Florida. I have attended most briefings, which have included FLAPDAN personnel, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance personnel, rescue workers, general presbyters, stated clerks, and others from around the Synod and North Carolina. The heartbreak is very real.

Also very real is the determination and resilience of those mourning the loss of loved ones, those struggling to reestablish their lives, and those aiding the process. The healing process will take years, if not decades.

Dogwood Acres has become a site for FLAPDAN aid. A pole barn was recently built to house supplies to be made available for such catastrophic events. Expressions of gratitude have been given for the willingness and availability to utilize this space for making accessible desperately needed recovery supplies.

If you are aware of anyone that is needing assistance in dealing with the emotional impact of these hurricanes, please refer them to:

[The National Child Traumatic Stress Network | \(nctsn.org\)](https://nctsn.org)

[Trauma-Informed Care \(Webpage\) | SAMHSA](#)

[Disaster Distress Helpline: Get Immediate Crisis Counseling and Support | SAMHSA](#)

- **Book of Order Mandated Functions**

The Book of Order no longer requires, by name, a Committee on Ministry nor a Committee on Preparation for Ministry. Instead, it requires that the functions of those former committees be carried out by presbyteries. Within the Strategic Plan that was engaged in February of this year, those required functions are still in effect and being met.

The Ministry of Leadership Development (Moderator Rev. Cathy Mooney) is now responsible for all duties identified by *The Book of Order*, G-2.06; G-2.0503a; sections of G-3.0302; and duties not assigned to other ministries. This includes preparing persons for ordained/commissioned ministry, as well as the requirement for Boundary Training.

The Ministry of Congregational Health (Moderator Ruling Elder Linda Lovins) is now responsible for duties listed in *The Book of Order*, G-2.1103 b, G-3.0303, G-3.0106 and not assigned to other ministries. This ministry has been granted commission authority by the presbytery.

Some of the requirements that were under the former Committee on Ministry now under Congregational Health are: to develop and promote policies that protect the health and welfare of Presbytery's leaders and the children within presbytery congregations and ministries, annually review our Sexual Misconduct Policy, Child Safety Policy, and the Minor Persons and Vulnerable Adults Protection Policy, providing interpretation and training for minister members and congregational leaders for these policies. This ministry also provides support for pastors in crisis through available resources and referrals, including allegations of impropriety, and coordinates the annual review of session records in cooperation with the Stated Clerk.

The Ministry of Pastoral Transitions (Moderator Rev. Lisa Martin) is responsible for duties identified by *The Book of Order*, G-2.05, 2.07-2.11 and G-3.0306-3.0307 and not assigned to other ministries. A major portion of their ministry is assisting congregations in saying good-bye to a pastor or an associate pastor who is leaving the congregation and guiding the congregation as they secure future pastoral leadership. This ministry has been granted commission authority by the presbytery.

Other responsibilities include examine ruling elders seeking to serve in a commissioned position, candidates for ordination, and Ministers of Word and Sacrament, seeking membership within the Presbytery of Florida, review and approve initial Terms of Call for Ministers of Word and Sacrament, dissolve pastoral relations when the Minister of Word and Sacrament and congregation concur, dismiss Ministers of Word and Sacrament to other presbyteries, grant requests from Ministers of Word and Sacrament for release from exercise of ordered ministry.

This is only a portion of what each ministry provides to the presbytery. We are grateful for all the ministries of the presbytery as we work into our new structure.

ADJOURNMENT AND CLOSING PRAYER

The meeting was adjourned with prayer at 1:52PM CST/2:52PM EST by Moderator Mary Hodges.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Tuesday, February 25, 2025 Grace Presbyterian Church, Panama City

Saturday, May 17, 2025 Dogwood Acres Summer Camp and Retreat Center

Tuesday, August 12, 2025 TBD

Tuesday, October 28, 2025 First Korean Presbyterian Church, Ft. Walton Beach

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Hugh Hamilton,
Recording Clerk

Mary Hodges, Moderator
Mark Broadhead, Stated Clerk

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January/February 2025

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Assistance Program Updates

As part of our commitment to mutual care and wholeness, the Board of Pensions continues to expand access to grants through the Assistance Program to serve more ministers, employees, retirees, and surviving spouses who have financial need. In 2024, the Assistance Program distributed over 2,500 grants for a total of approximately \$8.5 million in funds. [Read about potential grant opportunities.](#)

Other important information:

Employee Assistance Plan (EAP): Effective Jan. 1, 2025, Spring Health replaced Cigna as the provider for the EAP. Spring Health offers mental health care navigation with a broader network of providers in addition to the EAP services with which members are familiar. [Learn more about Spring Health.](#)

Remember to update Effective Salaries for the new year: Any changes to effective salaries must be reported to the Board of Pensions via Benefits Connect within 30 days of the effective date. Details about forms of compensation included in effective salary are found in [Understanding Effective Salary.](#)

Call to Health well-being program begins a new year: Call to Health is a well-being program that focuses on self-care in all areas: spiritual, health, financial, and vocational. It offers members in the medical plan the opportunity to reduce their medical deductible(s) and earn Tango cards, which can be redeemed for gift cards or used to make charitable donations. [Learn more](#) and start today.




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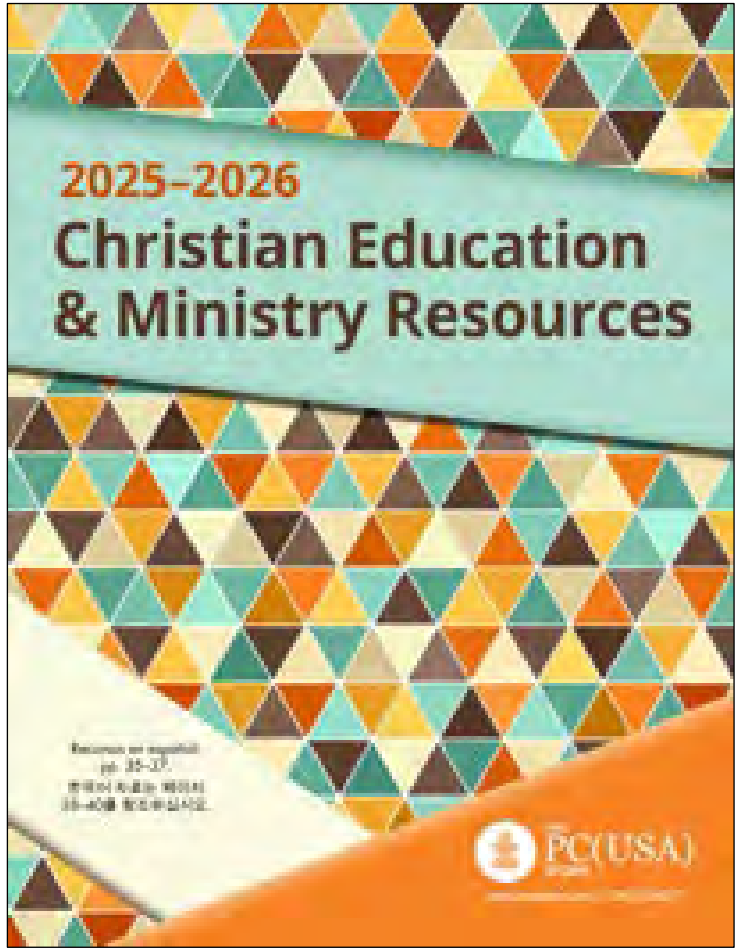


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Presbyterian Youth Triennium 2025

1st Wednesday **SACK Lunch** *South Atlantic Community Knowledge*

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Report to the Presbytery from the Ministry of Congregational Health (MCH)

Meeting Dates: Nov. 18 and Dec. 17, 2024, and Jan. 27, 2025

1 **November 18, 2024**

2 **PERSONS PRESENT:**

3 **Members present:** Shelia Askew, Craig Chormann, Rick Clubb, Sun Kim, Linda Lovins (Moderator),
4 Ernie McNeil, Linda Pitts, Karen Weaver, Joan Wooten (Vice-Moderator)

5 **Members excused:** None

6 **Ex officio:** Mark Broadhead (Stated Clerk/Acting General Presbyter)

7 **TOPICS ADDRESSED**

8 **For Information:**

9 - **Status of Churches:**

- 10 • Wewahitchka Progress: An email and photos were sent to show progress on repairs made
11 possible through the Emergency Repairs Grant.
- 12 • Northminster, Pensacola: PILP paperwork for a new roof has been signed by the Stated
13 Clerk and returned to Northminster, which voted November 17 to approve moving forward.
- 14 • Red Bay: The Administrative Commission (Rev. Mark Broadhead, Chair; Elder Bob
15 Crabtree; Rev. Cathy Mooney; Rev. Dr. Michael Askew; Elder Linda Lovins) is in place
16 and working to determine how best to assist with bookkeeping and other sessional tasks.
- 17 • First, Tallahassee – A Listening Team (Rev. Raymond Guterman; Rev. Linda Pitts, Rev.
18 Dr. Sheldon Steen) is in place.
- 19 • Blountstown: An Administrative Commission (Rev. Dr. Brant Copeland, Chair; Rev.
20 Stacey Kaye White, Elder Linda Shelley; Rev. Blair Beaver; and Elder Deborah Potter) has
21 begun its work with the members and worship attendees to assess the status.
- 22 • Faith, Tallahassee – Pastoral support was requested and is in place.

- 23 - **For Info: Core Team / Reflect & Respond Team** - Linda Lovins, Chair: Motion recently
24 approved by MCC re: hiring a General Presbyter and/or Stated Clerk. Work has begun to populate
25 the teams and set dates/places for the Presbytery-wide listening sessions.

26 **Ongoing Work (Old Business) / Items for Discussion:**

- 27 - **Gratitude Sunday** (Appreciation: Presbytery Ministry Members) - Coordinator: Elder Karen
28 Weaver: A list of all persons involved in presbytery ministries has been received and will be sent to
29 all churches as a thank you and so congregants know who among them is involved in the work of
30 the Presbytery.

31 - **Liaison appointments:**

- 32 • Blountstown, First – AC (Carol Wood on hold as Moderator during AC)
- 33 • Freeport – Rick Clubb
- 34 • Gulf Beach – Sun Kim
- 35 • Marianna, First – Craig Chormann
- 36 • Parkway – Shelia Clark-Askew
- 37 • South Walton NWC – Craig Chormann

- 38 • Wewahitchka, First – Linda Pitts
- 39 • Gretna-Woodland – Karen Weaver
- 40 – **Resource Documents:** Current forms that will be updated and made available for MCH work are:
- 41 • Pulpit Supply List (annually in May)
- 42 • Directory of Clergy (annually)
- 43 • Directory of Churches (annually)
- 44 • Presbytery Map (as needed)
- 45 • Status of Congregations (monthly)
- 46 • Grants Forms (as needed)
- 47 • CRE Contract/Covenant (annually)
- 48 • Terms of Call (annually)
- 49 – **Boundary Policies** – Coordinator – Rick Clubb: Work has begun to meet the requirements set
- 50 forth in the Book of Order regarding Boundary Policies. MCH members are reviewing the work of
- 51 several presbyteries and the Presbytery’s insurance carrier for quality examples and templates (e.g.,
- 52 East Tennessee, Atlantic, Chicago, Peace River).
- 53 – **First-Call Community** – First-Call Pastors will be encouraged to seek 1 of 70 free memberships to
- 54 the Presbyterian Association of Musicians, which offers a first-call, peer-group weekend annually
- 55 and a first-call community presence at the annual Worship & Music conference.
- 56 – **First, Chipley** – Approved its grant application for \$5,000 to repair significant water damage to the
- 57 roof and bell tower.
- 58 – **MCH Forms** – Worked on the following forms and support materials and discussed distribution
- 59 and deadlines:
- 60 • Terms of Call (2025)
- 61 • Terms of Call worksheet
- 62 • Covenant/Contract for CREs

63 **TOPICS PENDING**

- 64 – **MCH Handbook:** Under development
- 65 – **Grants through MCH:** Forms for review ahead of Dec. meeting
- 66 – **Book of Order Requirements**

67 **ITEMS FOR PRESBYTERY APPROVAL NA**

68 **ITEMS NEEDING APPROVAL PRIOR TO THE PRESBYTERY MEETING NA**

69 **December 17, 2024**

70 **PERSONS PRESENT:**

- 71 **Members present:** Shelia Askew, Craig Chormann, Linda Lovins (Moderator), Linda Pitts, Karen
- 72 Weaver, Joan Wooten (Vice-Moderator)
- 73 **Members excused:** Rick Clubb, Sun Kim, Ernie McNeil
- 74 **Ex officio:** Mark Broadhead (Stated Clerk / Acting General Presbyter)

75 **TOPICS ADDRESSED**

76 **For Information:**

- 77 – **Status of Churches:**

- 78 • Red Bay: The Administrative Commission (Rev. Mark Broadhead, Chair; Elder Bob
- 79 Crabtree; Rev. Cathy Mooney; Rev. Dr. Michael Askew; Elder Linda Lovins) is awaiting a
- 80 report on how best to assist with bookkeeping and other sessional tasks.
- 81 • First, Tallahassee – The Listening Team (Rev. Raymond Guterman; Rev. Linda Pitts, Rev.
- 82 Dr. Sheldon Steen) continues to work.
- 83 • Blountstown: The Administrative Commission (Rev. Dr. Brant Copeland, Chair; Rev.
- 84 Stacey Kaye White, Elder Linda Shelley; Rev. Blair Beaver; and Elder Deborah Potter) is
- 85 assessing its functions as a PCUSA congregation; two members will attend worship one
- 86 Sunday in January.
- 87 • Faith, Tallahassee – Pastoral support is in place and on-going.
- 88 • First, Chipley – Repairs and reconstruction have been completed, with gratitude for the
- 89 Presbytery’s support; photos are available on the church Facebook page
- 90 • 1 Liaison Report was submitted for review.

- 91 – **PILP Report:** Reviewed
- 92 – **First-Call Community (PAM):** Three of our Presbytery’s first-call pastors have responded to the
- 93 invitation to explore the peer community offered by the Presbyterian Association of Music.
- 94 – **Terms of Call:** Deadline for submission to MCH via the Presbytery office is March 31. Sessions
- 95 propose, congregations accept, and Presbytery reviews and approves them annually for all
- 96 Ministers of Word and Sacrament, *even if they don’t change*. The form and worksheet have been
- 97 reviewed, amended, and are to be posted on the front page of the Presbytery website.
- 98 – **Covenant / Contract:** CRE covenants/contracts are written for 1-3 years. They are to be reviewed
- 99 for renewal prior to the end of the previous covenant/contract and, if the Session, congregation, and
- 100 Commissioned Ruling Elder concur, are to be submitted to MCH via the Presbytery office. As
- 101 with Terms of Call, sessions propose, congregations accept, and Presbytery reviews and approves
- 102 them for renewal. The form has been reviewed, amended, and is to be posted on the front page of
- 103 the Presbytery website.

104 **Ongoing Work (Old Business) / Items for Discussion:**

- 105 – **Gratitude Sunday** (Appreciation: Presbytery Ministry Members) - Coordinator: Elder Karen
- 106 Weaver: A draft of the document to be sent to all congregations via pastors and clerks of session
- 107 will be reviewed in January.
- 108 – **Boundary Policies** – Postponed due to Coordinator Rick Clubb’s absence.
- 109 – **MCH Forms** – Worked on the following forms and support materials and discussed distribution
- 110 and deadlines:
 - 111 • Terms of Call (2025)
 - 112 • Terms of Call worksheet
 - 113 • Covenant/Contract for CREs

114 **TOPICS PENDING**

- 115 – **MCH Handbook:** Continuing under development
- 116 – **Boundary Policies:** Full-day meeting in January for extended work.

117 **ITEMS FOR PRESBYTERY APPROVAL NA**

118 **ITEMS NEEDING APPROVAL PRIOR TO THE PRESBYTERY MEETING NA**

119 **January 27, 2025**

120 **PERSONS PRESENT:**

121 **Members present:** Craig Chormann, Rick Clubb, Linda Lovins (Moderator), Linda Pitts, Karen Weaver

122 **Members excused:** Shelia Askew, Joan Wooten, Sun Kim, Ernie Neil

123 **Ex officio:** Mark Broadhead (Stated Clerk / Acting General Presbyter)

124 **TOPICS ADDRESSED**

125 **For Information:**

- 126 - **Update: First, Tallahassee Listening Team Report** (Rev. Raymond Guterman, Rev. Linda Pitts,
127 Rev. Dr. Sheldon Steen). Next steps: The Listening Team will share and discuss its written report
128 in person with those previously interviewed.
- 129 - **Update: St. Andrews sale of property** (Rev. Mark Broadhead). The closing has been postponed
130 until a property survey error is corrected.
- 131 - **Liaison Report: Northminster, Pensacola** (Elder Linda Lovins) A brief description was given
132 regarding the highly positive changes in the church's mission and ministry through and during the
133 revitalization process.
- 134 - **Update: Blountstown AC** (Rev. Dr. Brant Copeland, Chair; Rev. Stacey Kaye White, Elder Linda
135 Shelley; Rev. Blair Beaver; Elder Deborah Potter). MCH has recommended the church move
136 forward with its desired certified property survey to settle confusion over property lines; and
137 supports the AC's plan to provide an educational session for the congregants on Presbyterian polity
138 and doctrine.

139 **Ongoing Work (Old Business) / Reports for Discussion**

- 140 - **Gratitude Sunday** (Appreciation: Presbytery Ministry Members) - Coordinator: Elder Karen
141 Weaver: The document will be finalized and readied for Melissa Willis to email to congregations
142 for inclusion with their bulletins on the Sunday closest to Valentine's Day.
- 143 - **Status: Calling for Review of Session Minutes** (Rev. Mark Broadhead): The schedule for
144 reviewing 2022, 2023, and 2024 is pending.
- 145 - **Status: Church Statistics Reporting** (Rev. Mark Broadhead) 4 completed, 14 in process to date.
- 146 - **Presbytery Liaison Reports** - Coordinator: Rev. Linda Pitts
 - 147 • Next reports are due in March. Liaisons are in place as support for pastors and sessions,
148 and as a communications conduit between Presbytery and pastors/sessions.
 - 149 • Terms of Call are being received by the MCH Moderator (via the Presbytery office) through
150 March 31st.
- 151 - **Boundary Policies** - Coordinator: Elder Rick Clubb: The Ministry of Congregational Health is
152 working to develop boundary policies as mandated by the Book of Order in partnership with the
153 Ministry of Leadership Development, which is working on the training method and financing (if
154 needed) for the required boundary training. Policy development will begin in earnest shortly.

155 **TOPICS PENDING**

- 156 - **Worship Revitalization Mini-Grant:** It was moved, seconded, and passed that a Worship
157 Revitalization Mini-Grant in the amount of \$1,000 annually be developed as part of the current
158 MCH grant programs. Awards of up to \$250 may be granted, with preference given to small
159 congregations with first-time pastors.

160 - **MCH Handbook:** Under development

161 **ITEMS FOR PRESBYTERY APPROVAL**

162 NA

163 **ITEMS NEEDING APPROVAL PRIOR TO THE PRESBYTERY MEETING**

164 NA

165 **NEXT MEETING DATES, 1:00 (CT) / 2:00 (ET) – 3rd Tuesdays**

166 - February 18, 2025 (via Zoom)

167 - March 18, 2025 (in person)

168 - April 15, 2025 (via Zoom)

169 - May 20, 2025 (in person)

170 Respectfully submitted,

171 Linda Lovins, Moderator

172 Joan Wooten, Vice Moderator

Ministry of Congregational Health (MCH)

<i>Feb. 2025</i>	Rick Clubb	<i>Elder</i>	<i>Gulf Beach, Panama City Beach</i>
	Karen Weaver	<i>Elder</i>	<i>1st, Monticello</i>
	Sun Kim	<i>Minister</i>	<i>Korean 1st, Ft. Walton Beach</i>
	Ernest McNeill	<i>Elder</i>	<i>1st, Marianna</i>
<i>Feb. 2026</i>	Linda Lovins (<i>Moderator</i>)	<i>Elder</i>	<i>Christ, Tallahassee</i>
	Linda Pitts	<i>Minister</i>	<i>Faith, Tallahassee</i>
	Shelia Clark-Askew	<i>Elder</i>	<i>Gulf Beach, Panama City Beach</i>
<i>Feb. 2027</i>	Joan Wooten (<i>Vice Moderator</i>)	<i>Minister</i>	<i>1st, Pensacola</i>
	Joyce Kelly	<i>Elder</i>	<i>1st, DeFuniak Springs</i>
	Craig Chormann	<i>Elder</i>	<i>Northminster, Pensacola</i>



Report to the Presbytery from the Ministry of Dogwood Acres (MDWA)

1 Ministry members: Bill Lamont (moderator), Ken Densmore (vice-moderator), Brant Copeland (secretary),
2 James Vance (treasurer), Rober Quiring, Lisa Wilder, Henry Givens, Eric Hearn (Program Director),
3 Christy Williams (Director).

4
5 Since our last Presbytery meeting, the Ministry of Dogwood Acres has formed a new subgroup. The 501c3
6 Taskforce was approved by the MCC at their January meeting with membership as follows: Brant
7 Copeland (chair), Dan Bruno (Tallahassee lawyer and 1st Pres. Member), Allison Jones (CPA and Trinity
8 member), Sue Lamont (paralegal and GBPC member), and Michael Martin (POF treasurer). The taskforce
9 met for the first time in early January and has begun the organizational work of moving DWA from
10 committee status to non-profit status.

11 Development has been a key focus of the MDWA at recent meetings. Dogwood has an income budget of
12 roughly \$300,000 per year with expenses running around \$435,000. This means we have had to draw
13 heavily upon income reserves in order to balance our budget. While this cannot continue indefinitely the
14 investment has proved fruitful in helping us increase revenues by \$22,000 in 2024. Nonetheless, a more
15 aggressive development plan is needed for DWA to survive.

16 MDWA recently met with Michele Werner, a development consultant with Combined Federal Campaign
17 and a member of GBPC, to discuss fundraising strategies as a nonprofit organization. Michele not only
18 provided us with important information and tips but offered to meet with us further to help with our
19 financial development plan.

20 Ministry-wise, our retreat calendar is off to a strong start in 2025 with only three weekends open for rental
21 from now until April. As I write this report, Dogwood Acres staff and the Presbyterian Youth Council are
22 holding the Dogwood Youth Conference (Feb 7-9). Our woman's yoga retreat had to be re-scheduled
23 because of inclement weather and will now take place Feb 28- March 2. We are also pleased to have the
24 Florida Diabetes Camp returning to Dogwood in June. Finally, we are pleased to announce that
25 registration for summer camp is officially open, and congregations are encouraged to promote our summer
26 camps with their young families.

27 The Property team has been extremely busy making improvements to our site. Campers and Retreaters
28 will both appreciate improved climate control in the dining hall thanks to added insulation and new
29 windows. There are plenty of small projects still to be done and we would welcome anyone who has spare
30 time to please contact us to volunteer. All our improvements and additions were possible because of gifts
31 and donations to Dogwood.

32 We thank the Presbytery of Florida for its continued support. We are especially appreciative of receiving
33 10% of the monies collected from the sale of St. Andrew's PC. We remain committed to DWA and the
34 vital ministry it provides to our member churches and those beyond our denomination.

35 Bill Lamont
36 MDWA Moderator

Ministry of Dogwood Acres (MDWA)

<i>Feb. 2025</i>	Ken Densmore (<i>Vice Moderator</i>)	<i>Elder</i>	<i>1st, Pensacola</i>
	Henry Givens	<i>Elder</i>	<i>Laurel Hill</i>
	Robert Quiring	<i>Minister</i>	<i>1st, Pensacola</i>
<i>Feb. 2026</i>	Susie Barber	<i>Elder</i>	<i>1st, Marianna</i>
	Bill Lamont (<i>Moderator</i>)	<i>Minister</i>	<i>Gulf Breeze</i>
	Lisa Sweeney	<i>Elder</i>	<i>1st, Lynn Haven</i>
<i>Feb. 2027</i>	Brant Copeland (<i>Secretary</i>)	<i>Minister</i>	<i>Retired</i>
	James Vance (<i>Treasurer</i>)	<i>Elder</i>	<i>Fellowship, Tallahassee</i>



**Report to the Presbytery from the
Ministry of Leadership Development (MLD)**

1 **Hunger/Two Cents a Meal Grant**

2 First Presbyterian of Pensacola was awarded a grant of \$1500 to use with a new partnership with St. James
3 Missionary Baptist Church, Pensacola. This money will be used for the purchase of food for the food
4 pantry located at St. James. Food is distributed monthly at a set time, as well as by appointment for those
5 in need.

6 **Ordination Exam Readers**

7 Linda Lovins, Ruling Elder, and Brant Copeland, Teaching Elder, were chosen to be readers for the
8 upcoming ordination exams. This was accidentally omitted from the Fall Presbytery Meeting and
9 approved by MCC.

10 **Boundary Training**

11 We are working with MCH on Boundary Training and Policies that are mandated by the Book of Order.

12 **Preparation for Ministry**

13 We currently have four Inquirers.

14 **Lauren Christian**/Columbia Seminary/Liaison: Greg Seltzer

15 **Ryan Obray**/Austin Seminary/Trinity, Pensacola/Liaison: Sarah Waby

16 **Emily Bruno**/Lliff School of Theology/Denver/First, Tallahassee/Liaison: Erin Rosica

17 **Rose Walters**/Austin Seminary/Faith, Tallahassee/Liaison: Hilda Jackson

18 We currently have one CRE Explorer.

19 **Deborah Potter**/Pathways UPSem/First, Milton—currently serving here/Liaison: Hugh Hamilton

20 **FLAPDAN**

21 FLAPDAN continues to be vital to the disaster outreach for Florida. Please keep the victims of California

22 fires as well as hurricane victims from this past summer in prayer. Jeannie Dixon memorials were greatly
23 appreciated by FLAPDAN.

24 **MLD Manual of Operations — Requires Presbytery Approval**

25 We have completed the work on our manual of operations and present it to the Presbytery for approval.
26 We are aware that it will change over time as we continue to work through the changes in our ministry
27 team and Presbytery.

28 Meeting day & time: Second Monday of each month, currently on Zoom, 10 AM Central/11 AM Eastern.

29 At this time, we say goodbye to Sara Waby, Hilda Jackson and Hugh Hamilton, who have faithfully served
30 MLD and her predecessor Committees.

Ministry of Leadership Development (MLD)

<i>Feb. 2025</i>	Cathy Mooney (<i>Moderator</i>)	<i>Minister</i>	<i>1st, DeFuniak Springs</i>
	Susan Byram	<i>Elder</i>	<i>1st, Pensacola</i>
	Hilda Jackson	<i>Elder</i>	<i>1st, DeFuniak Springs</i>
<i>Feb. 2026</i>	Erin Rugh (<i>Vice Moderator</i>)	<i>Minister</i>	<i>Faith, Tallahassee</i>
	Hugh Hamilton	<i>Minister</i>	<i>Trinity, Pensacola</i>
	Erin Rosica	<i>Minister</i>	<i>Westminster Oaks, Tallahassee</i>
<i>Feb. 2027</i>	Greg Seltzer	<i>CRE</i>	<i>Northminster, Pensacola</i>
	Tim Crawford	<i>Elder</i>	<i>1st, Crestview</i>
	Vacant		



**Report to the Presbytery of Florida from the
Ministry of Pastoral Transitions (MPT)**

February 2025

1 **MPT Members:**

2 TE Lisa Martin, moderator; TE Matt Frease, vice moderator; RE Jo Kublik; RE Ed Nickinson; RE Pam
3 Nulty; TE Blair Beaver; TE Stacey Kaye White; TE Hanlim Chae, co-opted member;
4 TE Mark Broadhead, recording secretary

5 **MPT is working with the following congregations:**

- 6 1. 1st Pensacola – Associate Pastor
- 7 2. Trinity, Pensacola – Interim Pastor
- 8 3. Euchee Valley – Pastor
- 9 4. 1st Quincy – Pastor
- 10 5. Lafayette – Pastor
- 11 6. 1st Tallahassee – Pastor

12 **ITEMS FOR PRESBYTERY APPROVAL:**

- 13 1. Request presbytery to grant status of retired for Rev. John Kelsay
14 2. Request presbytery to act on the call of Rev. Hanlim Chae as pastor for Lafayette Church,
15 Tallahassee

16 **NOTIFICATION OF ACTION TAKEN:**

- 17 1. Dissolved the pastoral relationship between Faith Presbyterian Church and Rev. Trinity Whitley,
18 effective February 10, 2025
19 2. Placed Rev. Trinity Whitley on the Member-at-Large roll of Florida Presbytery

Ministry of Pastoral Transitions (MPT)

<i>Feb. 2025</i>	<i>Matt Frease (Vice Moderator)</i>	<i>Minister</i>	<i>Ukirk Tallahassee</i>
	<i>Pam Nulty</i>	<i>Elder</i>	<i>Northminster, Pensacola</i>
<i>Feb. 2026</i>	<i>Lisa Martin (Moderator)</i>	<i>Minister</i>	<i>1st, Lynn Haven</i>
	<i>Sue Coleman</i>	<i>Elder</i>	<i>Trinity, Pensacola</i>
<i>Feb. 2027</i>	<i>Jo Kublik</i>	<i>CRE</i>	<i>Red Bay</i>
	<i>Ed Nickinson</i>	<i>Elder</i>	<i>Trinity, Pensacola</i>
<i>Co-opted</i>	<i>Hanlim Chae</i>	<i>Minister</i>	<i>Lafayette, Tallahassee</i>



Report to the Presbytery from the Ministry of Presbytery Operations (MPO)

Meeting Date: January 9, 2025

1 **PERSONS PRESENT:** Moderator Rev. Eric Spoon, presiding; Strategic Plan Implementation Task Force
2 Representative Rev. Mark Broadhead; Vice Moderator Brad Clayton; Accountant/Treasurer Michael
3 Martin, Dogwood Acres Director Christy Williams; and Ministry Team Members: David Balmer, Ann Fyfe,
4 Anne Hodges, Barbara Sawyer

5 **TOPICS ADDRESSED**

6 **Financials:** As of January, we were approximately \$20,000 behind in giving from churches that did not
7 meet their shared support. It is possible some or all of this will be made up by the time we receive the end
8 of January financials.

9 **Stewardship:** As of January 23, 2025 we had 12 out of 36 pledges turned in for a total of \$110,295.00.
10 Our shared support need is \$339,144.00.

11 **Presbytery Property:** The Presbytery office continues to have little issues fixed and some areas updated
12 to make it more functional for meetings and groups to use.

13 **TOPICS PENDING**

14 **ITEMS FOR PRESBYTERY APPROVAL**

15 Ministry of Presbytery Operations Manual
16 2025 Final Budget (to be completed in February)

17 **ITEMS NEEDING APPROVAL PRIOR TO THE PRESBYTERY MEETING - None**

18 **NEXT MEETING DATE:** February 13, 2025 @ 2:00pm CST/3:00pm EST via Zoom

Ministry of Presbytery Operations (MPO)

<i>Feb. 2025</i>	Brad Clayton (<i>Vice Moderator</i>)	<i>Minister</i>	<i>Faith, Tallahassee</i>
	Anne Hodges	<i>Elder</i>	<i>Christ, Tallahassee</i>
<i>Feb. 2026</i>	Barbara Sawyer	<i>Elder</i>	<i>Northminster, Pensacola</i>
	David Balmer	<i>Elder</i>	<i>Gulf Beach, PC Beach</i>
	Ann Fyfe	<i>Elder</i>	<i>1st, Lynn Haven</i>
<i>Feb. 2027</i>	Eric Spoon (<i>Moderator</i>)	<i>Minister</i>	<i>Grace, Panama City</i>



Report to the Presbytery from the Ministry of Representation (MR)

Meeting Date: January 9, 2025

1 *Membership:* Elder Rich Kangas, Moderator; Rev. Dr. Raymond Gutterman, Rev. Glenn Hodges, Rev. Dr.
2 Michael Askew, Elder Fred Pryor

3 *Purpose:* The Ministry of Representation (MR) shall function in accordance with the Book of Order as
4 outlined in the principles of F-1.0403, F-1.0404 and the policies of G-3.0103. MR is responsible for
5 identifying and implementing efforts to enable a broad, deep and diverse cadre of leaders in all ministries
6 of the Presbytery. Including those from racial, ethnic, and immigrant communities, younger adults with
7 new perspectives, and older adults with experience and wisdom. They shall make nominations of such
8 persons to the Presbytery for its vote.

9 **Action items for presbytery:**

10 *Class Feb. 2028*

11 Ministry of Congregational Health

12 Elder Rick Clubb

13 Elder Karen Weaver

14 Rev. Sun Kim

15 Ministry of Dogwood Acres

16 Rev. Robert Quiring

17 Ministry of Pastoral Transition

18 Elder Pam Nulty

19 Ministry of Leadership Development

20 Rev. Cathy Mooney

21 Rev. Jean Homrighausen

22 Ministry of New Congregation Formation

23 Rev. Emily Proctor

24 Ministry of Presbytery Operations

25 Rev. Ted Land

26 Synod Elder Commissioner

27 Joanne Kublik, Class 2025

28 Ministry of Pastoral Transitions, Vice Moderator- Rev. Blair Beaver

29 Ministry of Representation Policies and Procedures Handbook.

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31 **Information:**

32 Presbytery Ministry Vacancies:

33 Ministry of Dogwood Acres – 1, Class Feb. 2026

34 1, Class Feb. 2028

35 Ministry of New Congregation Formation – 1, Class Feb. 2027

36 1, Class Feb. 2028

37 Ministry of Presbytery Operations – 1, Class Feb. 2028.

38 Major causes of ministry vacancies are six years of service roll offs, people not wanting to serve more than
39 three years and resignations.

40 Blessings,
41 The Ministry of Representation

Ministry of Representation (MR)

<i>Feb. 2025</i>	Michael Askew	<i>Minister</i>	<i>Gulf Beach, Panama City Beach</i>
	Fred Pryor	<i>Elder</i>	<i>1st, Ft. Walton Beach</i>
<i>Feb. 2026</i>	Glenn Hodges	<i>Minister</i>	<i>1st, Tallahassee</i>
	Raymond Guterman	<i>Minister</i>	<i>Retired</i>
<i>Feb. 2027</i>	Rich Kangas (<i>Moderator</i>)	<i>Elder</i>	<i>1st, Lynn Haven</i>



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3 **Report from the**
4 **Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery**

5 Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery of Florida are in process of planning our 118th Gathering which will
6 be held at Dogwood Acres Summer Camp and Retreat Center on March 8, 2025. Registration will begin at
7 9:00AM (CT) and the Meeting at 9:30AM (CT). The cost is \$20.00 per person and if you are interested in
8 spending Friday night, please contact Sandra Winslett about costs and more information.
9 (SandraRWinslett2@cox.net)

10
11 The Presbyterian Women Synod Seminaries and Scholarship Fund Committee is now taking applications
12 for their Scholarship Fund. We plan to award the scholarships at our Gathering in March. Applications
13 should be submitted by March 1, 2025. If you need any information, please contact Vicki Bell,
14 vabb1954@gmail.com or 850-510-3314.

15
16 February is also Columbia Friendship Circle month. Please encourage your Congregations to donate. This
17 spring, "Come See Columbia Day" will be held on April 24, 2025.

18 We currently continue to prayerfully search for Presbyterian Women to join our Coordinating Team:
19 Moderator- Elect, Secretary, Directory Editor, East District Coordinator, and West District TIS
20 Coordinator. Please encourage the Presbyterian Women of your Congregations to consider one of these
21 positions and contact Norma Meier, Search Committee Moderator: nmmtlh@gmail.com; 850-443-9925

22 Respectfully submitted,
23 Vicki Bell, Moderator, Presbyterian Women
24 Florida Presbytery

February 5, 2025

Dear Moderators and Church Contacts,

The Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery of Florida West District cordially invite you to attend the 118th Gathering of Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Florida on March 8, 2025, at Dogwood Acres Summer Camp and Retreat Center, 3320 Harmony Road, Chipley, FL 32428 (near Vernon, FL).

The morning will begin at 9:00 a.m. Central Time, with check-in and a light breakfast in the Dining Hall. Worship will begin at 9:30 a.m. Central Time, in the Ben and Kathy Powell Pavilion. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. Remember to bring a flower for each woman in your church who died in 2024, to be arranged in a floral arrangement along with each church represented at the 118th Gathering. Wear comfortable clothes & shoes for walking, and bring insect repellent.

Registration forms are on the next pages for you to return, along with your check for \$20 per person for food, payable to Presbyterian Women, and mailed to:

Sandra Winslett, 1201 Durnford Place, Pensacola, FL 32503, by March 1. Please note on your form if you have any special dietary needs, particular food allergies, or would like a vegetarian meal.

You are welcome to spend Friday night in a cabin at Dogwood Acres for the additional cost of \$50 per person (add \$15 for dinner), also payable to Presbyterian Women. Each person will need to bring twin size bed and bath linens. Everything else is provided. The cabins can accommodate various group sizes. The layout and pictures of each cabin and the grounds can be viewed on the website by searching Dogwood Acres Summer Camp and Retreat Center, Harmony Rd, Chipley, FL in your browser.

We are looking forward to seeing you on March 7 and/or 8. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, using the info below.

Grace, Peace, Blessings,

Sandra

PW Historian

Presbytery of Florida

SandraRWinslett2@cox.net

(cell/text) 850-516-9875

1201 Durnford Place

Pensacola, FL 32503

Registration Form

Name _____ Church/city _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Fri. 03/07 Overnight? Yes or No _____ Dinner? Yes or No _____

List any dietary needs/allergies: _____

Registration Form

Name _____ Church/city _____

Save The Date



Saturday, March 8, 2025

2025 Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Florida
118th Gathering

Dogwood Acres Summer Camp and Retreat Center
3320 Harmony Rd, Chipley, FL 32428

9:30 am CDT - Registration, Check-In, & Light Morning Refreshments

10:00 am CDT - Worship

Memorial Service

Annual Meeting

Lunch



**"Caring for Creation & Others:
Do What is Yours to Do"**

Registration Info emailed by February 8
Share with all PW in your congregation and join us for this historic day!

Questions? Contact: Sandra Winslett @ 850-516-9875
To Register for Lunch, call Sandra 850-516-9875
Cost \$20



Report to the Presbytery from the St. Andrews Administrative Commission

Meeting Date: January 30, 2025

1 **PERSONS PRESENT:** Rev. Eric Spoon, Moderator; Rev. Linda Pitts, Clerk; Pamela Nulty, Treasurer;
2 Edward Nickinson; Brian Hinton, Realtor, Neubauer Real Estate

3 **TOPICS ADDRESSED**

4 St. Andrews Presbyterian Church was sold to Elevation Church for \$1,200,000. \$15,000 in allowable
5 fixes was permitted by the Administrative Commission. All important files, except for the financials,
6 were mailed to the Presbyterian Foundation (those will be mailed later). The fees for the sale of the
7 property were paid out of the funds for the sale. The sale was finalized on January 30, 2025 with Rev.
8 Mark Broadhead, Stated Clerk signing the paperwork on behalf of the Presbytery of Florida. The final
9 amount to the Presbytery from the sale was: \$1,092,817.48.

10 **TOPICS PENDING**

11 None.

12 **ITEMS FOR PRESBYTERY APPROVAL**

13 None.

14 **ITEMS NEEDING APPROVAL PRIOR TO THE PRESBYTERY MEETING**

- 15 1. The Administrative Commission of St. Andrews requests that the 10% of the final funds allowed to be
16 decided by the Administrative Commission be given to Dogwood Acres.
17 2. The Administrative Commission of St. Andrews requests to be dissolved once all final paperwork has
18 been mailed to the Presbyterian Historical Society and all funds have been transferred to the Presbytery of
19 Florida and distributed appropriately within the Presbytery and Dogwood Acres.

20 **NEXT MEETING DATE:** None



Report to the Presbytery from the Strategic Plan Implementation Taskforce

February 5, 2025

1 **TASKFORCE MEMBERS:**

2 Mark Broadhead, Rick Clubb, Tim Crawford, Chair, Emily Evans, Erin Rugh, Karen Weaver

3 **TOPICS ADDRESSED**

- 4 - Ministry Liaison Reports/Status of Handbook Work
- 5 o Congregational Health – Handbook in work – planning an all-day in person meeting focusing on
- 6 boundary training.
- 7 o Leadership Development – Handbook complete, awaiting Presbytery Approval.
- 8 o Pastoral Transitions – Handbook Presbytery Approved.
- 9 o Presbytery Operations – Handbook nearing completion, two pending educational pieces are being
- 10 finished.
- 11 - Other items addressed:
- 12 o Search Committee - Work on hold pending presbytery action to determine position
- 13 requirements and position description(s) development.

14 **Year One Transition Progress**

Year 1 March 1, 2024 – February 28, 2025 Move from static to ecstatic.	
Goal	Status as of January 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce and eliminate duplication and unnecessary or detrimental efforts. 	<p>In work – Expect Presbytery Operations and Leadership Development Handbooks be presented for approval at Winter Presbytery Stated Meeting.</p> <p>Congregational Health and Ministry of Representation in work with expectations to be completed in the near future.</p> <p>Once handbooks are completed a final review of all documents will be accomplished to identify and coordinate areas to reduce workload and duplication of efforts.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change presbytery meetings to become more educational and supportive in nature. 	<p>Standard has been set. Normalizing the effort will continue to be monitored closely in coming meetings making adjustments when/where needed.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop an atmosphere more in line of an assembly of pastors, elders, leaders, staff persons, and congregational members. 	<p>Progress continues – Fall Stated Meeting small group Advent discussions encouraged sharing of ideas and seemed to foster community.</p> <p>One measure of this effort’s results should show an increased participation at presbytery meetings and other functions</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommended Ministry Structure 	<p>In place and functioning – increased performance should be realized with all ministry handbook completion.</p>

15 **END OF YEAR ONE REFLECTIONS:**

- 16 - The Implementation Taskforce (ITF) will continue as a resource during the transition process for
- 17 the foreseeable future and anticipates functioning in a supportive role for the GP/Stated Clerk

- 18 onboarding effort. The taskforce will continue to monitor and assist with ministry processes and
 19 procedures as needed.
- 20 - MCH Liaisons reported an appreciation for people serving in the various ministries is being
 21 considered. ITF suggests consideration be given to using this process to develop the Directory of
 22 Talents to start the work on the Years Two and Three goals in the transition process (See Future
 23 Transition Effort below).
- 24 - The ITF would encourage the ministries to not attempt to do everything from the previous
 25 structure as the fewer number of people available could make the taskings overwhelming.
 26 Consider working on the essential ministry needs at this point and work into adding those tasks
 27 not required after getting better established.

28 **Future Transition Effort**

Years 2 & 3 2025-2026 A new culture in the Presbytery is afoot:	
Goal	Status as of January 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a Directory of Talents as a resource of persons willing to go to our congregations to aid, assist, encourage, train persons to help meet a congregation’s specific needs and desires. 	Effort Begins March 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broadly convey the new culture within the Presbytery. 	Effort Begins March 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advertise what our presbytery now “gives to you.” 	Effort Begins March 2025

29 **TOPICS PENDING**

30 Presbytery By-Laws and Operations Manual updates needed? Taskforce will be looking into possible
 31 changes/updates needs with the ongoing strategic plan implementation.

32 **ITEMS FOR PRESBYTERY APPROVAL**

- 33 - N/A

34 Respectfully Submitted
 35 Tim Crawford, Chair



Report to the Presbytery from the Core Team: Presbytery Listening Sessions

Meeting Dates: Jan. 5, Jan. 12, Feb. 2, 2025

- 1 **PERSONS PRESENT:** 62 attendees (total)
2 Jan. 5, 2025 (4:00) – Trinity, Pensacola
3 14 attendees, total: 6 Ministers of Word and Sacrament and CREs; 8 Elders
4 Jan. 12, 2025 (2:00) – First, Lynn Haven
5 16 attendees, total: 6 Ministers of Word and Sacrament and CREs; 10 Elders
6 Jan. 12, 2025 (5:00) – First, Lynn Haven
7 8 attendees, total: 4 Ministers of Word and Sacrament and CREs; 4 Elders
8 Feb. 2, 2025 – Fellowship, Tallahassee
9 24 attendees, total: 10 Ministers of Word and Sacrament and CREs; 14 Elders
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10 **TOPICS ADDRESSED**

- 11 1. What is your experience of a General Presbyter's work – directly with churches and Presbytery
12 committees/staff and behind the scenes?
13 2. What do you want a General Presbyter to do – directly with churches and Presbytery
14 committees/staff and behind the scenes?
15 3. What is your experience of a Stated Clerk's work – directly with churches and Presbytery
16 committees/staff and behind the scenes?
17 4. What do you want a Stated Clerk to do – directly with churches and Presbytery committees/staff
18 and behind the scenes?

19 In small groups of 4-6 people, attendees at each Listening Session rotated through each posted question,
20 responding as a group. Subsequent teams added their ideas, which were later ranked in importance.

21 **TOPICS PENDING**

- 22 Final formation of Core Team and Reflect & Respond Team
23 Thank-you email to all Listening Session attendees with list of final Team members, with invitation to participate in
24 Reflect & Respond process

25 **ITEMS FOR PRESBYTERY APPROVAL**

26 NA

27 **NEXT MEETING DATE:**

28 NA

29 Respectfully submitted,
30 Linda Lovins, Chair – Core Team



Report to the Presbytery from the Stated Clerk/Acting General Presbyter

1 **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

- 2 • On November 10, 2024 I received a phone call stating a self-accusation. This was followed up by
3 an email expressing the nature of the self-accusation (D-7.0201f). Per Presbytery policy, a pastoral
4 response team was initiated through the Ministry of Congregational Health. An Investigation
5 Committee was established comprised of Rev. Bill Bess (HR), Rev. Ruth Mashewske (HR), and
6 Ruling Elder Elizabeth McGinnis (Tallahassee-Fellowship), trained by Stated Clerk Mark
7 Broadhead and appointed by Presbytery Moderator Mary Hodges. The process is continuing.
- 8 • On December 3, 2024 I received an email, forwarded from the presbytery office, of an alleged
9 offense. The matter was referred to the moderator of the Permanent Judicial Commission, Rev.
10 Raymond Guterman. After examination of the written allegation of an asserted offense by a review
11 committee, made up of Rev. Guterman, Rev. Joan Wooten, CRE Joanne Kublik it was determined
12 the matter would not be pursued. The complainant was informed and accepted the ruling. The
13 matter is closed.
- 14 • Signed approval for the Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program loan for Northminster
15 Presbyterian Church on January 18, 2025. They need to replace their roof.
- 16 • Signed documents for closing the sale of the St. Andrews Presbyterian Church property on January
17 30, 2025.
- 18 • Held training for Clerks of Session desiring assistance with entering annual statistics. I later
19 continued the encouragement process (nagging?) instituted by Jeannie Dixon some time ago for
20 completion of the annual statistics process.
- 21 • Regularly attended and resourced meetings of MCC, MCH, MLD and MPT.
- 22 • Visited several Sessions regarding periods of pastoral transitions, clarifying presbytery financial
23 resourcing and shared giving.
- 24 • Responded to requests for pastoral care.
- 25 • Commissioners and corresponding members attending the February 27-March 1 meeting of the
26 Synod of South Atlantic will, in part, be holding discussions about presbytery boundary
27 realignment. This is a topic that has been floating around for a number of years. There is now a
28 general consensus that because of the changing climate and participation in church participation, it
29 may be prudent to realign boundaries to better serve the people of God and the denomination.
- 30 • The contributions in memory of Jeannie Dixon and forwarded to the Florida Presbyterian Disaster
31 Assistance Network totaled \$8,686.00. Thank you, everyone, for your generosity!

32 **ITEMS PENDING**

- 33 • Establishing dates and methods for Session Records review 2022-2024.
- 34 • Working on a training workshop for Clerks of Session.
- 35 • Attending the Synod meeting and presbyteries' boundaries discussion February 27-March 3 held at
36 Epworth by the Sea.
- 37 • A location is still needed for the Tuesday, August 12, 2025, meeting of presbytery. Please let me
38 know if your congregation would be willing to host.

39 **ITEMS FOR ACTION**

- 40 • None

41 Respectfully submitted,

42 Rev. Mark Broadhead

43 Stated Clerk/Acting General Presbyter