

**Minutes of Fall Stated Presbytery Meeting  
at Korean First Presbyterian Church of Fort Walton Beach  
October 28, 2025**

The Presbytery of Florida, Inc., of the Synod of South Atlantic of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) met at Korean First Presbyterian Church of Fort Walton Beach for a Stated Meeting on Tuesday October 28, 2025.

	Present	Absent	Total
<b>Ruling Elders:</b>			
- Session Commissioners	<b>20</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>39</b>
- Other Continuing Members not serving as commissioners (RE ministry moderators {2}; RE officers {1}; RE educators {0})	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>
- CLP/CRE	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>
- <b>Total Ruling Elders</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>46</b>
<b>Ministers of Word and Sacrament</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>57</b>
<b>Total Present and Total Absent</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>100</b>
Congregations Represented	<b>27</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>36</b>

**Member Ministers of Word and Sacrament present (26):** Michael Askew, Blair Beaver, *Lorne Bostwick*, Mark Broadhead, Becky Bryan, Hanlim Chae, Kwonsoo Cho, Brad Clayton, *Eugene Harris*, Glenn Hodges, Jean Homrighausen, *Kenneth Kelley*, Sun Kim, William Lamont, A. J. Mealor, Cathy Mooney, Linda Pitts, Nicole Richardson, Erin Rugh, Eric Spoon, Sheldon Steen, John Sringer, John Wamsley, Stacey Kaye White, *Carol Wood*, *Joan Wooten*

*Italics = retired*

**Member Ministers of Word and Sacrament absent (31):** Mel Baars O'Malley, *Frank Beall*, *William Bess*, Robert Bohnsack, *Lewis Bullard*, John Cole, Tai Cole, *Brant Copeland*, *Terry Dyer*, Matthew Frease, *Raymond Guterma*n, *Hugh Hamilton*, James Holley, *Edward Horne*, *Harvey Jenkins*, *John Kelsay*, *James Krapf*, *Ted Land*, *William Lee*, *Ruth Mashewske*, *Lindsay Moffett*, *Pamela King Phillips*, *Taylor Phillips*, Emily Proctor, *Margaret Reed*, *James Rollins*, Erin Rosica, *James Stansbury*, *Kim Stavenau*, Rob Sugg, *Mary Vance*, Trinity Whitley, *Bonnie Wilkins*

**Excused Member Ministers (Active) (5):** Robert Bohnsack, Matthew Frease, Luis Ocasio Torres, Emily Proctor, Robert Quiring, Trinity Whitley

**Unexcused Member Ministers (Active) (5):** John Cole, Tai Cole, James Holley, Erin Rosica, Rob Sugg

**Ruling Elder Commissioners present/absent (20)**

**Blountstown, First** – unexcused

**Chipley, First** – LaMerle Feitsma

**Crestview, First** – Tim Crawford

**DeFuniak Springs, Bethel** – unexcused

**DeFuniak Springs, Euchee Valley** – excused

**DeFuniak Springs, First** – Hilda Jackson

**Destin, First** – unexcused

**Fort Walton Beach, First** – Krisha Brister

**Fort Walton Beach, Korean** – Greg Obermier

**Freeport, Freeport** – unexcused

**Gretna, Gretna** – excused

**Gulf Breeze, Gulf Breeze** – Kathy Asbury

**Havana, First** – Bill Brundyge

**Laurel Hill, Laurel Hill** – unexcused

**Lynn Haven, First** – Rich Kangas

**Marianna, First** – Kathy Milton

**Milton, First** – Kelly McKenzie

**Monticello, First** – unexcused

**Navarre, Navarre** – excused

**Panama City Beach, Gulf Beach** – excused

**Panama City, Grace** – Janet Pitts

**Panama City, Parkway** – Al Borovich

**Pensacola, First** – Judi Seltzer

**Pensacola, Korean** – unexcused

**Pensacola, Northminster** – Lisa Chormann

**Pensacola, Trinity** – Martha King, Ted Hendry

**Quincy, First** – excused

**Red Bay, Red Bay** – excused

**Sawdust, Woodland** – excused

**Tallahassee, Christ** – unexcused

**Tallahassee, Faith** – Sally Bradshaw

**Tallahassee, Fellowship** – David Reed

**Tallahassee, First** – Greg Riccardi

**Tallahassee, Lafayette** – excused

**Tallahassee, Trinity United** – unexcused

**Wewahitchka, First** – Lisa Dorman

**Sessions not represented:**

**Excused Churches (6):** Gretna; Navarre; Gulf Beach, Panama City Beach; 1<sup>st</sup>, Quincy; Red Bay; Woodland, Sawdust; Lafayette, Tallahassee

**Unexcused Churches (10):** First, Blountstown; Bethel, DeFuniak Springs; First, Destin; Freeport; Laurel Hill; First, Monticello; Pensacola Korean Community; Christ, Tallahassee; First, Tallahassee; Trinity United, Tallahassee

**Continuing Members:**

**CREs present (2):** Alan House, Greg Seltzer

**CREs absent (2):** Tanya Fernandes, Joanne Kublik

**Christian Educators with voice and vote present (0):**

**Christian Educators with voice present (1):** Christy Williams

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

**Non-TE Officers/Ministry Moderators (5):** Tim Crawford, Mary Hodges, Richard Kangas, Linda Lovins, Don Mowat

**Visitors (10):** James McQuagge, Grace, Panama City; Valerie Young, Synod of South Atlantic; Euna Chae, Lafayette, Tallahassee; Peri Flanigan, Christ, Tallahassee; Vicki Wissel, First, Fort Walton Beach; Linda Wamsley, Euchee Valley, DeFuniak Springs; Pam Nulty, Northminster, Pensacola; Ginger Green, First, Marianna; Deborah Potter, First, Milton; Craig Chormann, Northminster, Pensacola

**Visiting Ministers (1):** James McTyre

### **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. The moderator opened the meeting with prayer.
- It was moved and seconded to approve the docket as amended. The motion was approved.

### **WELCOME**

- Reverend Sun Kim welcomed the Presbytery to Korean First Presbyterian Church, giving instructions for the day's activity, meals, and facilities.

### **INTRODUCTIONS**

- First-time ruling elders, teaching elders, corresponding members, and visitors were introduced.
- It was moved and seconded to seat Valerie Young, Synod Executive/Stated Clerk, with the privilege of voice for the Fall 2025 Presbytery Meeting. The motion was approved.

### **MORNING WORSHIP**

- Rev. Becky Bryan, Pensacola, First, led the assembly in worship, preaching on 1 Peter 5:1-11
  - The service included the Commissioning of the Commissioners Rev. Cathy Mooney and Elder Linda Lovins and Young Adult Advisory Dexton Teat to represent the Presbytery of Florida at the 227<sup>th</sup> General Assembly.
  - The service continued with recognizing the passing of two teaching elders and 37 ruling elders and deacons from the previous 12 months with the Reading of the Necrology Report.
  - The service concluded with the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

### **MINISTRY PARTNER REPORTS**

- Valerie Young – Synod Executive/Stated Clerk
  - Topics Addressed:
    - Synod per capita changes from current \$1.50 to \$2.00 in 2026 and \$2.75 in 2027.
    - Monthly South Atlantic Community Knowledge (SACK) Lunch Zoom meetings:
      - November 5: Pastoral Leadership Searches
      - December 3: Interim/Transitional Leaders
      - January 7: Committee on Ministry Leaders
    - A taskforce is being convened to seek solutions and alternatives to help congregations with the current challenges affording property insurance.
    - GA Commissioner training in May 2026

- Ongoing presbytery search committee assistance
- Christy Williams – Dogwood Acres
  - Dining Hall bathrooms will be renovated before the 2026 summer sessions.
  - Summer Camp is only part of Dogwood Acres ministry. Adult opportunities are extremely important to the work and mission.
  - Confirmation retreat in January to help students begin preparation for church confirmation classes.
  - Always popular Yoga Retreat will be held in February.
  - Men’s retreat is planned for March.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

**Mark Broadhead** – Stated Clerk/Acting General Presbyter

### **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

- Clerk of Session training was held Saturday, September 13, 2025, in the Presbytery Office at Dogwood Acres; 17 clerks of session were in attendance. A new Clerk of Session Handbook has been sent to the clerks of session in the presbytery.
- The 2024 minutes of the Presbytery were reviewed by members of the Synod of South Atlantic. Several exceptions were noted for correction in the future.
- Wewahitchka, First has begun receiving funding from FEMA for their necessary repairs due to damage incurred by Hurricane Michael.
- Made recommended changes/updates to the Presbytery’s bylaws to coincide with changes to the Book of Order and the new structure of the Presbytery.
- Received incorporation status of DeFuniak Springs – Bethel. Several congregations are still working on incorporating according to the mandates of the Book of Order.
- Added Woodland Presbyterian and Monticello-First to the list of congregations who took advantage of the property exemption clause within the allotted timeframe but were not previously listed. Documentation was provided.
- Council approved the 2026 Presbytery meeting dates and several meeting locations:
  - Tuesday, February 24 – Wewahitchka-First
  - Saturday, May 16 – Dogwood Acres
  - Tuesday, August 11 – TBD
  - Tuesday, October 27 – TBD

### **ITEMS FOR ACTION:**

- None.

### **A Personal Note:**

I wish to thank the Presbytery of Florida for the trust you placed in me to serve as your Stated Clerk/Acting General Presbyter for the past year. Such ministry was truly my privilege and very fulfilling, if not a bit daunting at the same time.

My love for this Presbytery runs deep – challenges, warts, celebrations, joys, and all. As God calls and directs, I will be involved in the life and work of the Presbytery as long as my energy, intelligence, imagination, and love hold out (although I’ve often wondered if the intelligence portion flew off a long time ago).

As my family and I continue to move into the next chapter of life, I covet your prayers and your continued friendships.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Mark Broadhead

Stated Clerk/Acting General Presbyter (for 3 more days)

• **Communications:**

- Synod of South Atlantic re: Stated Meeting of the Synod of South Atlantic to be held Monday, October 20, 2025, via Zoom at 6:00 p.m. Eastern/5:00 Central
- Synod of South Atlantic re: formation of a task force to research group insurance policies for congregations in the Synod that may benefit from lower insurance costs.
- Synod of South Atlantic re: South Atlantic Community Knowledge (SACK) Lunches upcoming conversations - 11/5/2025 Pastoral Leadership Searches, 12/3/2025 Interim/Transitional Leaders. Registration is needed in order to receive the Zoom link.
- Presbyterian Older Adult Ministries Network re: Cultivating Older Adult Ministries cohort series October 13 – November 17.
- Presbyterian College (see attachment)
- Open Letter from Rev. Trinity Whitley (referred to MCC, MCPC, MPT)
- Sy Hughes re: concluding his work with the PC(USA) Stewardship and Development Team on October 31 and moving on to a new opportunity. He expressed his thanks for our support over his 12-year tenure.



1st Wednesday  
Sack Lunch Conversation  
(South Atlantic Community Knowledge)

Conversation Topic  
November 5th: Pastoral Leadership Searches  
December 3<sup>rd</sup>: Interim/Transitional Leaders





## EXECUTIVE CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS FUNDRAISING (ECRF)

Presbyterian College is proud to partner with the **Lake Institute on Faith & Giving** at the **Lilly Family School of Philanthropy (Indiana University)** to offer the **Executive Certificate in Religious Fundraising (ECRF)**. The executive certificate program provides the research, tools, and customized training to meet the growing needs of leaders in religious communities and fundraisers of faith-based organizations. The focus of the ECRF is on the cultural, organizational, and philanthropic practices unique to religious institutions. These practices in turn enable donors motivated by spiritual and religious values to experience the joy of generous giving. **The next course will be hosted at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Atlanta, GA from May 11-13.** PC(USA) leaders can receive a Church Financial Leadership Grant through the Presbyterian Foundation to assist in attending the ECRF.



Scan QR Code to register for the next ECRF course

## THRIVING IN MINISTRY CONFERENCE

As part of PC's **Ecology of Calling Initiative** (funded by a grant from the Lilly Endowment) we are excited to sponsor a conference for clergy and other church professionals entitled **Thriving in Ministry**. The conference will occur on our campus **April 27 & 28**. PC alumni will serve as the featured speakers. **There is no cost to attend the conference, and hotel expenses will be covered for the first 20 participants who register.**



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## SUMMER MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION EXPERIENCE

**Monday, July 6 - Thursday, July 9**, Presbyterian College is hosting a unique summer experience for middle school youth groups that combines service/mission projects with a conference-style community. **Groups will engage in morning worship, impactful service, and meaningful faith formation opportunities.** As part of our **Ecology of Calling Initiative**, this event is **free to the first 50 participants who register** (including youth and adults). Groups are responsible for their own transportation, but all lodging, meals, and conference events are provided.



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Contact **Rev. Dr. Buz Wilcoxon, Chaplain & Dean of Spiritual Life**, for any questions or to schedule a visit. Email: [bwilcoxon@presby.edu](mailto:bwilcoxon@presby.edu) Phone: 251-281-6822

We are happy to work with you to schedule guest preaching opportunities, retreat leadership, campus visits, or any other ways that we can be a resource for your church family.

October 8, 2025

Dear Stated Clerk,

I am writing to call attention to significant concerns with the way the Ministry of Pastoral Transition (MPT) carried out its responsibilities in my recent experience. My purpose is not to revisit my own case for its own sake, but to urge the Presbytery to address gaps in policy and practice so that other Ministers of Word and Sacrament and congregations in transition are not subjected to similar harm.

At the end of January 2025, I resigned from Faith Presbyterian Church. Concurrent with my resignation, I underwent the disciplinary process and, at the May 2025 meeting of Presbytery, received my censure—a formal rebuke on the floor. After that action, I was deemed a member in good standing and subsequently entered into the call process with a local congregation. That church's PNC hoped to extend an invitation to serve, but the MPT ultimately overruled that possibility.

What troubles me most is not the outcome, but the process by which it unfolded. At no point following my resignation was I contacted by the MPT or offered an opportunity to engage in ethical, pastoral, or professional conversation. In many presbyteries, such conversations are considered standard practice and are essential for healthy ministry transitions. Their absence here reflected not only a lack of collegial care but also a neglect of our shared covenantal responsibilities.

During the call process, I was examined only by a small group of the MPT. They asked four questions over a time span of only 30 minutes. After closed deliberation, they told me they would recommend sustaining my exam. Later, at a separate meeting of the full MPT, the ruling was made not to sustain. Neither I nor the PNC was invited to be present at that meeting. This lack of transparency and inconsistency in procedure left the congregation, the committee, and me without clarity or accountability.

These experiences point to deeper systemic issues. It appears that, in granting the MPT broad commission authority, the Presbytery as a whole has been left without awareness of how these decisions are being made. There are policies and practices already in place, but they were not followed. The result was not only confusion, but also harm to both minister and congregation.

I want to be clear that my desire is not to pursue judicial remedy, but to invite the Presbytery into reflection and reform. What happened to me is painful, but my greater concern is how we as a body can do better for those who will come after me. We can choose to learn from this and strengthen the ways we care for one another.

To that end, I strongly urge the Presbytery to consider:

- **Pastoral care check-ins:** Require the MPT (or another designated body) to reach out to ministers upon resignation or dissolution of call, offering space for ethical and pastoral conversation.
- **Transparency in decision-making:** Ensure that candidates and PNCs are notified of and, where appropriate, present for all deliberations concerning their call.
- **Clear reporting to Presbytery:** Require the MPT to provide written reports of its actions and rationale to the full Presbytery, so that decisions are not made in isolation.
- **Safeguards for consistency:** Develop guidelines so that preliminary recommendations (such as from a subgroup) are not reversed without due process and clear communication.

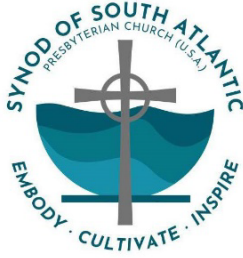
I continue to believe that accountability is the path to healing. If the MPT were willing to acknowledge missteps and take meaningful steps toward reform, it would not only serve me but also strengthen trust across the Presbytery. Our shared witness to the gospel depends on processes that embody honesty, collegiality, and care.

I remain grateful for the relationships I have built in this Presbytery and for the opportunities I have had to serve with integrity. My hope is that by addressing these issues openly, we can ensure a healthier path forward for all who serve Christ's church in this body.

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Trinity Joy Whitley". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Rev. Trinity Joy Whitley



# Synod of South Atlantic Fall Stated Meeting

October 20, 2025

## Meeting Highlights Include:

- The assembly gathered in worship and Holy Communion, with a homily from Rev. Jamil el-Shair, newly installed 2026 Moderator.
- Welcoming new Presbytery Leaders – Rev. Steve Lindsley (Providence) and Rev. Matt Rhodes (Savannah)  
Updates on ongoing South Carolina boundary conversations
- Georgia Presbyteries Gathering scheduled for February 2026
- COM Training and Property Insurance Study forthcoming

### **Embody Committee:**

- Adopted Antiracism, Travel & Reimbursement, and Conflict-of-Interest Policies
- Elected Synod PJC members and new Moderator/Committee leadership
- Embody Leader Formation Cohort 2026

### **Cultivate Committee:**

- Approved Covenant with Presbyterian College
- Introduced Seedling Network Grants; first award supports Transitional Ministry Network

### **Inspire Committee:**

- Reported on 2025 Grant & Scholarship Awards  
\$7,300 awarded in Christian Education Scholarships  
\$24,290 awarded in Theological Education Scholarships  
\$43,657.99 awarded in Grants to congregations
- Approved 2026 Preliminary Budget

### **2025 Moderator's Message – Jacquelyn Rembert**

Moderator Rembert reflected on the Synod's renewed journey of faith—Embodying grace, Cultivating authentic community, and Inspiring impactful ministry. She encouraged patience and perseverance as the Synod continues living into God's call guided by grace, love, authenticity, and unity.

Rev. Jamil el-Shair installed as 2026 Moderator and Rev. Christina Greenawalt as 2026 Vice Moderator / 2027 Moderator. Moderator Rembert was honored for her leadership during the Synod's transformative first year.

### **OUR JOURNEY**

*The Synod of South Atlantic, PC(U.S.A.) **embodies** the grace and love of Jesus Christ, **cultivates** authentic community within and across presbyteries, and **inspires** impactful ministry, developing leaders so that the Church becomes united in faith, hope, love, witness, and service.*

- **SYNOD OF THE SOUTH ATLANTIC REPORT** – Joanne Kublik
  - In 2025, major changes were made to enhance the work of the Synod of the South Atlantic. Three committees were formed, Embody, Cultivate and Inspire and the Synod commissioners were asked to join one of the three. This new mode of operation has simplified and enhanced the work of the Synod. Here are a few highlights from the Synod meeting held via Zoom on October 20, 2025.
  - Rev. Dr. Sallie Watson brought greetings from the Interim Unified Agency, PC(U.S.A.) Dr. Watson is the Associate Director for Mid Council Relations and talked about the changes happening in Louisville stating that there is more to come. The new internal structure will be announced soon. Her work involves resourcing mid-council leaders, hosting new leaders and moderator’s events. She also serves Synod Leader Search Committees and other mid-council committees. Planning for the 227<sup>th</sup> General Assembly is well underway.
  - The Embody Committee is responsible for nominating leadership for the three committees as well as the Synod PJC and the Synod Co-Moderators. Motions were made to fill these positions with individuals from around the Synod. Motion was approved. The Embody committee is also responsible for writing policies for the Synod’s approval. During this meeting, the Embody committee moved to approve two new policies: Travel and Reimbursement and Conflict of Interest. Both were approved by the Synod commissioners.
  - The Cultivate Committee made a motion to approve a new covenant relationship between the Synod of the South Atlantic and Presbyterian College. This was approved by the Synod commissioners.
  - The Inspire Committee was excited to speak about the scholarships that have been awarded. I’m happy to report that two scholarships were awarded from this Presbytery. Brianna Nelson and Grace Nelson of Freeport Presbyterian were both awarded \$1,500.
  - Finally, the Synod of the South Atlantic approved the increase of per capita to the Synod from \$1.50 which is the current per capita to \$2.00 in 2026 and \$2.75 in 2027.

This concludes my report.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Kublik

Ruling Elder Commissioner from Florida Presbytery to the Synod of the South Atlantic

## **RESOURCING: Equipping Our Congregations in Preparations for Advent**

### **ORDER OF THE DAY: LUNCH**

#### **RECONVENING OF PRESBYTERY**

- Following a wonderful Korean cuisine lunch, Moderator Mary Hodges reconvened the meeting with a centering prayer.

#### **REPORT HIGHLIGHTS AND ITEMS FOR ACTION**

- **MINISTRY OF PRESBYTERY OPERATIONS (MPO)** – Rev Eric Spoon
  - Rev. Eric Spoon, Rev. Mark Broadhead, Michael Martin, Christy Williams, David Balmer, Barbara Sawyer, Ted Land, Ann Fyfe, Larry Spivey
  - **TOPICS ADDRESSED**
    - Financials:
      - Michael Martin presented a written report on the financial status of the presbytery and noted that finances are in fairly good shape.
    - Stewardship:
      - No report other than to note that information will be coming out soon.
    - Presbytery Property:
      - Landscaping options for the Presbytery office are still being explored.
    - Other:
      - A checking account was established for Tide and Table in the amount of \$8,000 (funds transferred from MNCF for Tide and Table) with check signers to be: Nicole Richardson, A.J. Mealar, Emily Proctor, and Jim Rollins. Accountability for this fund will be held by MCNF and MPO.
      - It was passed that Christy Williams, Michael Martin, James Vance, and Mark Broadhead be approved as Authorized Traders for the New Covenant Funds Account 1003880.
  - **ITEMS FOR PRESBYTERY APPROVAL**
    - The Ministry of Presbytery Operations recommends approval of the 2026 Presbytery Preliminary Budget. The motion was approved as provided.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rev. Eric Spoon, MPO Moderator

**Profit and Loss**  
**Presbytery of Florida**  
**September 2025**

Distribution account	Total
Income	
60000.0 PRESBYTERY INCOME	
60000 RECEIPTS	
60001-2 Shared Support	40,260.68
60006 Other Income	6,250.00
<b>Total for 60000 RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$46,510.68</b>
<b>Total for 60000.0 PRESBYTERY INCOME</b>	<b>\$46,510.68</b>
<b>Total for Income</b>	<b>\$46,510.68</b>
Cost of Goods Sold	
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>\$46,510.68</b>
Expenses	
70000.0 PRESBYTERY EXPENSES	
70020 PER CAPITA	
70101 Per Capita General Assembly	3,309.30
<b>Total for 70020 PER CAPITA</b>	<b>\$3,309.30</b>
70030 Ministry of Congregational & Pastoral Care - MCPC	
70805.1 Ministry of Congregational & Pastoral Care - MCPC	-40.00
<b>Total for 70030 Ministry of Congregational &amp; Pastoral Care - MCPC</b>	<b>-\$40.00</b>
70040 Ministry of Dogwood Acres - MDWA	
70001 Dogwood Acres Support	5,548.85
<b>Total for 70040 Ministry of Dogwood Acres - MDWA</b>	<b>\$5,548.85</b>
70050 Ministry of Leadership Development - MLD	
70006 Campus Ministry (Ukirk TLH)	1,166.67
<b>Total for 70050 Ministry of Leadership Development - MLD</b>	<b>\$1,166.67</b>
70070 Ministry of Pastoral Transitions - MPT	-40.00
70850.4 Committee Expense - MPT	93.56
<b>Total for 70070 Ministry of Pastoral Transitions - MPT</b>	<b>\$53.56</b>
70090 Ministry Coordinating Council - MCC	
70513 Workers Comp Insurance	514.22
70620 General Presbyter Salary	3,599.38
70622 GP BOP Dues	3,659.15
70630 Administrator Salary	3,333.18
70632 Administrator Medical	60.00
70633 Staff Payroll Taxes	1,194.30
70634 Administrator Travel	291.94
70704 Recording Clerk	500.00
70705 Presbytery Meeting Expense	326.11
70710.5 Treasurer Travel	268.00

70710 Treasurer Salary	1,179.20
70850.6 Committee Expense -MCC	339.38
<b>Total for 70090 Ministry Coordinating Council - MCC</b>	<b>\$15,264.86</b>
70100 Ministry of Presbytery Operations - MPO	
70512 Office Telcom & Communications	372.43
70515 Supplies & Expenses	319.94
70517 Copier Lease	361.28
70519 Bank Service Charges	40.00
70715 Publications/Resources	-292.03
<b>Total for 70100 Ministry of Presbytery Operations - MPO</b>	<b>\$801.62</b>
<b>Total for 70000.0 PRESBYTERY EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$26,104.86</b>
<b>Total for Expenses</b>	<b>\$26,104.86</b>
<b>Net Operating Income</b>	<b>\$20,405.82</b>

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Presbytery of Florida Shared Support  
Calendar Year 2025

Church	2025 Pledge Request	2025 Pledge	Received	Recevd as % of Pledge	# Member
Blountstown	\$390.00	\$0.00			5
Chipley	\$2,418.00	\$800.00	\$469.00	59%	31
Crestview First	\$4,368.00	\$4,368.00	\$2,184.00	50%	56
DeFuniak Springs Bethel	\$624.00	\$624.00	\$624.00	100%	8
DeFuniak Springs Euchee Valley	\$2,964.00	\$2,964.00	\$2,964.00	100%	38
DeFuniak Springs, First	\$7,098.00	\$7,098.00	\$3,549.00	50%	91
Destin, First	\$3,900.00	\$3,300.00	\$1,650.00	50%	50
Freeport, Freeport	\$4,524.00	\$4,524.00	\$4,524.00	100%	58
Ft. Walton Beach - First	\$7,644.00	\$5,000.00	\$3,749.97	75%	98
Ft. Walton Beach, Korean First	\$5,070.00	\$5,100.00	\$5,100.00	100%	65
Gretna, Gretna	\$1,248.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	100%	16
Gulf Breeze, Gulf Breeze	\$14,352.00	\$6,000.00	\$5,500.00	92%	184
Havana, First	\$3,276.00	\$3,000.00	\$2,000.00	67%	42
Laurel Hill, Laurel Hill	\$546.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	100%	7
Lynn Haven, First	\$7,332.00	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00	100%	94
Marianna, First	\$12,246.00	\$11,000.00	\$9,166.70	83%	157
Milton, First	\$2,574.00	\$2,574.00	\$2,574.00	100%	33
Monticello, First	\$2,340.00	\$2,340.00	\$1,170.00	50%	30
Navarre, Navarre	\$2,574.00		\$912.50		33
Panama City, Grace	\$8,814.00	\$9,000.00	\$6,466.66	72%	113
Panama City Beach, Gulf Beach	\$3,666.00	\$3,666.00	\$3,659.38	100%	47
Panama City, Parkway	\$3,900.00	\$3,900.00	\$3,900.00	100%	50
Pensacola, First	\$29,250.00	\$19,219.00	\$14,769.90	77%	375
Pensacola, Northminster	\$6,708.00	\$2,400.00	\$1,800.00	75%	86
Pensacola, Korean	\$1,950.00	\$1,950.00	\$1,950.00	100%	25
Pensacola, Trinity	\$40,560.00	\$32,808.00	\$19,138.00	58%	520
Quincy, First	\$39,312.00	\$39,312.00	\$34,715.22	88%	504
Red Bay, Red Bay	\$624.00	\$624.00	\$624.00	100%	8
Tallahassee, Christ	\$14,664.00	\$12,000.00	\$9,000.00	75%	188
Tallahassee, Faith	\$64,662.00	\$70,000.00	\$36,665.98	52%	829
Tallahassee, Fellowship	\$9,984.00	\$9,984.00	\$5,652.78	57%	128
Tallahassee, First	\$18,096.00	\$18,096.00	\$18,096.00	100%	232
Tallahassee, Lafayette	\$7,410.00	\$7,410.00	\$6,389.00	86%	95
Tallahassee, Trinity United	\$2,106.00	\$2,106.00		0%	27
Wewahitchka, First	\$858.00	\$858.00		0%	11
Woodland, Sawdust	\$1,092.00	\$1,250.00		0%	14
9/30/2025	\$339,144.00	\$306,775.00	\$222,464.09	72.52%	4348
		% of year	75.00%		

**2026 Proposed Budget**  
(As of 7/31/25)

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	
<b>Receipts</b>			
Shared Support	\$ 306,775.00	\$ 341,200.00	4,265 Members
Other Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$80 Member
Staff Support Fund	\$ -	\$ 79,371.30	
Amount From Reserves	\$ 32,369.00	\$ 1,065.00	
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 339,144.00</b>	<b>\$ 421,636.30</b>	
<b>Disbursements</b>			
<b>Per Capita</b>			
Per Capita - General Assembly	\$ 44,472.00	\$ 43,503.00	\$10.20/Member
Per Capita - Synod	\$ 6,540.00	\$ 8,530.00	\$2.00/Member
<b>Total Per Capita</b>	<b>\$ 51,012.00</b>	<b>\$ 52,033.00</b>	
<b>Ministry of Congregational and Pastoral Care (MCPC)</b>			
Minister's Emergency Assistance Fund	\$ -		
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	
<b>Total MCH</b>	<b>\$ 3,200.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,200.00</b>	
<b>Ministry of Dogwood Acres (MDWA)</b>	<b>\$ 63,512.00</b>	<b>\$ 63,512.00</b>	
<b>Total MDWA</b>	<b>\$ 63,512.00</b>	<b>\$ 63,512.00</b>	
<b>Ministry of Leadership Development (MLD)</b>			
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/CRE 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	
<b>Total MLD</b>	<b>\$ 25,100.00</b>	<b>\$ 25,100.00</b>	
<b>Ministry of New Congregation Formation (MNCF)</b>			
Ministry Expense	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	
<b>Total MNCF</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>	

**2026 Proposed Budget**  
(As of 7/31/25)

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	
<b>Ministry of Pastoral Transitions (MPT)</b>			
Ministry Expense	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	
<b>Total MPT</b>	<b>\$ 1,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,500.00</b>	
<b>Ministry Coordinating Council (MCC)</b>			
<b>Staff</b>			
GP/Stated Clerk Salary	\$ 42,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	
GP Housing	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	
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	\$ 4,000.00	
GP SECA	\$ 4,055.00	\$ 5,738.00	
GP Medical	\$ -	\$ 32,600.00	
GP BOP	\$ -	\$ 9,000.00	
Subtotal GP/Stated Clerk	\$ 63,555.00	\$ 130,838.00	
Administrator's Salary	\$ 39,791.00	\$ 40,785.78	
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	\$ 56,336.00	\$ 57,330.78	
Treasurer Salary	\$ 14,359.00	\$ 14,717.98	
Treasurer Mileage	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	
Subtotal Treasurer	\$ 15,159.00	\$ 15,517.98	
<b>New Recommended Positions</b>			
3 Regional Advocates	\$ 16,426.00	\$ 18,000.00	
Asst. Stated Clerk	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	
Subtotal Stated Clerk	\$ 18,426.00	\$ 27,000.00	
Recording Clerk	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	
Staff Payroll Taxes	\$ 11,741.00	\$ 10,901.54	
Salary Adjustments (Prop 2% increase)	\$ -		
Workers Compensation Insurance	\$ 900.00	\$ 6,000.00	
Total Staff	\$ 168,117.00	\$ 249,588.30	
Presbytery Meeting Expense	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	
Ministry Expense	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	
<b>Total MCC</b>	<b>\$ 169,217.00</b>	<b>\$ 250,688.30</b>	
<b>Ministry of Presbytery Operations (MPO)</b>			
Memorials/Flowers	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	
Equipment Service	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	
Postage	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	
Utilities / Office	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	
Office Telcom & Communications	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 3,750.00	
			<b>Total Salaries</b>
			<b>\$ 142,503.76</b>

**2026 Proposed Budget**  
**(As of 7/31/25)**

	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2026</u></b>
Property Maintenance	\$ 900.00	\$ 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
<b>Total MPO</b>	<b>\$ 24,503.00</b>	<b>\$ 24,503.00</b>
<b>Ministry of Representation (MR)</b>		
Ministry Expenses	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
<b>Total MR</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>
<b>Permanent Judicial Committee (PJC)</b>		
Ministry Expense	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
<b>Total PJC</b>	<b>\$ 100.00</b>	<b>\$ 100.00</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 339,144.00</b>	<b>\$ 421,636.30</b>
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

## Proposed 2026 Shared Support

<u>Church</u>	<u># Mbrs*</u>	<u>Shared Support</u>
Blountstown, First	2	\$ 160.00
Chipley, First	32	\$ 2,560.00
Crestview, First	56	\$ 4,480.00
DeFuniak Springs, Bethel	8	\$ 640.00
DeFuniak Springs, Euchee Valley	35	\$ 2,800.00
DeFuniak Springs, First	89	\$ 7,120.00
Destin, First	47	\$ 3,760.00
Freeport, Freeport	53	\$ 4,240.00
Ft. Walton Beach - Korean First	65	\$ 5,200.00
Ft. Walton Beach, First	83	\$ 6,640.00
Gretna, Gretna	12	\$ 960.00
Gulf Breeze, Gulf Breeze	164	\$ 13,120.00
Havana, First	45	\$ 3,600.00
Laurel Hill, Laurel Hill	6	\$ 480.00
Lynn Haven, First	103	\$ 8,240.00
Marianna, First	157	\$ 12,560.00
Milton, First	49	\$ 3,920.00
Monticello, First	28	\$ 2,240.00
Navarre, Navarre	36	\$ 2,880.00
Panama City Beach, Gulf Beach	56	\$ 4,480.00
Panama City, Grace	114	\$ 9,120.00
Panama City, Parkway	55	\$ 4,400.00
Pensacola, First	365	\$ 29,200.00
Pensacola, Korean	25	\$ 2,000.00
Pensacola, Northminster	85	\$ 6,800.00
Pensacola, Trinity	536	\$ 42,880.00
Quincy, First	435	\$ 34,800.00
Red Bay, Red Bay	7	\$ 560.00
Sawdust, Woodland	14	\$ 1,120.00
Tallahassee, Christ	194	\$ 15,520.00
Tallahassee, Faith	832	\$ 66,560.00
Tallahassee, Fellowship	122	\$ 9,760.00
Tallahassee, First	237	\$ 18,960.00
Tallahassee, Lafayette	80	\$ 6,400.00
Tallahassee, Trinity United	27	\$ 2,160.00
Wewahitchka, First	11	\$ 880.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,265</b>	<b>\$ 341,200.00</b>

\*per 2024 year-end statistical report

**Texas Presbyterian Foundation Fund Balances  
9/30/2025**

Fund	Balance	Fund	Balance
<b>Two Cents a Meal (MLD)</b>		<b>MCPC Grants (MCPC)</b>	
Starting Balance	\$35,000.00	Starting Balance	\$500,000.00
Interest - \$3,659.67	\$38,659.67	4/30/25 Bridge Loan (1st, Wewahitchka) - \$60,000	\$440,000.00
Q3 Expenses - \$5,500.00	\$32,859.67	Interest - \$36,596.73	\$476,596.73
		Q3 Expenses - \$25,317.00	\$451,279.73
Maximum \$50,000		Maximum \$500,000	
<b>Minister Emergency (MCPC)</b>		<b>Peacemaking (MLD)</b>	
Starting Balance	\$20,000.00	Starting Balance	\$20,000.00
Interest - \$609.65	\$20,609.65	Interest - \$1,016.58	\$21,016.58
Maximum \$50,000		Maximum \$50,000	
<b>Disciplefest (MLD)</b>		<b>New Congregation Formation (MNCF)</b>	
Starting Balance	\$20,000.00	Starting Balance	\$1,000,000.00
Interest - \$813.26	\$20,813.26	Interest - \$56,928.24	\$1,056,928.24
		Q3 Expenses - \$22,922.67	\$1,034,005.57
		Above Max - \$34,005.57	\$1,000,000.00
Maximum \$50,000		Maximum \$1,000,000	
<b>Candidate Aid (MLD)</b>		<b>Emergency Relief (MCPC)</b>	
Starting Balance	\$20,000.00	Starting Balance	\$20,000.00
Interest - \$1,423.21	\$21,423.21	Interest - \$609.65	\$20,609.65
Maximum \$50,000		Maximum \$50,000	
<b>Youth Triennium (MLD)</b>		<b>Self-Development of People (MLD)</b>	
Starting Balance	\$20,000.00	Starting Balance	\$20,000.00
Interest - \$406.63	\$20,406.63	Interest - \$203.91	\$20,203.91
Maximum \$50,000		Maximum \$50,000	
<b>Special Projects (MPO)</b>		<b>Reserve (MPO/MCC)</b>	
Starting Balance	\$79,935.67	Starting Balance	\$707,763.74
Interest - \$16,265.21	\$96,200.88	Interest - \$23,787.87	\$731,551.61
		From NCF \$34,005.57	\$765,557.18
Maximum \$200,000		Maximum N/A	
<b>Staff Support (MCC)</b>		<b>50% of Annual Budget (Treasurer)</b>	
Starting Balance	\$450,000.00	Fixed Balance	\$209,681.50
Interest - \$60,994.55	\$510,994.55		
Maximum \$1,000,000			

Total Fund Balance \$3,211,656.40

- **MINISTRY OF NEW CONGREGATION FORMATION (MNCF)** – Rev. A.J. Mealor
  - **Members:** A.J. Mealor, Stan Trappe, Sheldon Steen, Jim Rollins, Nicole Richardson, Emily Proctor, and Beth Mooney.
  - **Accounting Update**
    - Follow up with Michael, Mark, and Eric regarding checking account to have signers added to the account.
    - Update on conversation with Mark Broadhead regarding the process of developing and funding Tide and Table NWC, budget approval process, which committee is in charge of which portion of Nicole’s work, what needs to go before MCC, MPO, and Presbytery.
  - **Pathways to Flourishing**
    - We have finally joined Pathways to Flourishing coaching cohort for Presbytery committees.
    - Our first two meetings will focus on Cultural Context and Fund Development Zoom Meeting Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>.
  - **Begin Plan Development for Tide and Table NWC**
    - What is imperative to include in PowerPoint/presentation to MCC/MPO?
      - Personal testimonies
      - Cost and income analysis
    - High Tide and Low Tide – Good things vs challenging things.
    - Tide and Table is the ministry of the Presbytery of Florida began as an experiment to find new ways to put forward the word of God in different ways.
    - To connect with Rev. Nicole Richardson and Tide and Table at <https://www.tideandtable.org/>
  - **Personal Updates**
    - Individual Sharing and Coaching Update
    - 1001 NWC Leadership Retreat – Oct 13-18
    - Vacation – Nov
  - Rev. Dr. Nicole Richardson, Organizing Pastor of Tide and Table provided a verbal report on the scop of her work and an invitation to the presbytery to experience the type of ministry being offered.

Submitted by Rev. A. J. Mealor, MNCF Moderator

- **MINISTRY OF REPRESENTATION (MR)** - Rich Kangas
  - **Members:** Rich Kangas; Michael Askew; Glenn Hodges; Raymond Gutterman; Greg Obermier; John Wamsley
  - **Action items for Presbytery:**
  - The ministry moved the following assignments:
    - Synod Commissioner (Minister) – Rev. Blair Beaver (Class 2026), 1st Marianna
    - Synod Commissioner (Minister Alt.) – Rev. Stacy Kaye White (Class 2026), Freeport
    - Synod Commissioner (Elder) – Joanne Kublik, CRE (Class 2027)
    - Moderator for Pastoral Transitions – Rev Stacy Kaye White
      - The motion was approved.
  - **For Information:**
    - Ministry Vacancies:
      - Ministry of New Congregation Formation

- 1 Vacancy, Class 2027, Male or Female, Minister or Elder
- Ministry of Congregational and Pastoral Care
  - 1 Vacancy, Class 2026, Female, Minister or elder
- The Ministry of Representation is currently working on the Class of 2029 requirements.
- The Presbytery always needs people to serve. There are short term and regular Presbytery ministry positions that continue to become available. If interested contact me at 850-832-6577; email: kangas265@gmail.com

Blessings,  
Rich Kangas, MR Moderator

- **MINISTRY OF LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT (MLD) - Rev. Cathy Mooney**
  - **Members:** Rev. Erin Rugh, Dr. Greg Seltzer, Tim Crawford, Susan Byram, Rev. Jean Homrighausen, Rev. Cathy Mooney, Ex-officio: Rev. Mark Broadhead
  - **For information:**
    - Northminster Hunger Grant Application: It was moved and seconded to approve the grant request for \$1,500.00 to assist with the church's Christmas Giving Box ministry. The motion was approved.
    - Presbytery Education Hour: The theme for the education hour of the Fall Presbytery Meeting, October 28, 2025, is Advent preparation. We break into church size groups, offering a resource table and resources from A Sanctified Art for smaller churches with limited budgets.
    - We have two Candidates for Ministry: Emily Bruno and Ryan Obray
    - We have two Inquirers for Ministry: Lauren Christian and Rose Walters
    - We have one Disciple for CRE: Deborah Potter and one Explorer: Linda Lovins
    - FLAPDAN continues its good work in the state. Tim Crawford, Mary Yeomans, and Blair Beaver represent us well on this board.
  - **For Action:**
    - Election of Teaching Elder Exam Reader for 2026 to replace Rev. Brant Copeland.
      - It was moved and seconded to nominate Rev. Becky Bryan for Teaching Elder Exam Reader for 2026. The motion was approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rev. Cathy Mooney, MLD Moderator

- **STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLEMENTATION TASKFORCE – Tim Crawford**
  - **Members:** Mark Broadhead, Rick Clubb, Tim Crawford, Chair, Emily Evans, Erin Rugh, and Karen Weaver
  - **Ministry Liaison Reports**
    - Congregational & Pastoral Care - Good headway is being made on their 96-page (so far) handbook.
    - Leadership Development – The Guatemala partnership has become a challenge in finding presbytery representation for the mission.
    - Pastoral Transitions
      - Handbook has been updated.
      - Lisa Martin has accepted a call to National Capital Presbytery.

- Kim Stavenau is finishing her ministry with Parkway at the end of September. Lisa Martin and Mark Broadhead will be meeting with the Session to help determine next steps.
- Presbytery Operations - The Synod of South Atlantic is establishing a task force to investigate a synod-wide insurance program for congregations/presbyteries that might want to participate. MPO has been asked to provide a member for that task force.
- Representation – All is moving along well
- **Presbytery’s Year 2 & 3 Transition progress:**

Years 2 & 3 2025-2026	
A new culture in the Presbytery is afoot:	
Goal	Status
• Develop a Directory of Talents as a resource of people willing to go to our congregations to aid, assist, encourage, train persons to help meet a congregation’s specific needs and desires.	Work ongoing
• Broadly convey the new culture within the Presbytery.	Work ongoing
• Advertise what our presbytery now “gives to you.”	Work ongoing

- **Old Business**
  - Search Committee resumption – Work is ongoing to fill the three to four slots needed for the committee.
  - Updates to Strategic Plan per Summer Stated Meeting Motion
    - The updates pertaining to presbytery staff positions recommended were adopted.
    - The Strategic Plan Document is being updated per the motion.
  - Combining MCPC and MPT to reestablish COM
    - The idea will be discussed among the moderators and vice-moderators of MCPC, MLD, and MPT. When complete they will make suggestions/recommendations to this task force.
- **New Business and most importantly**
  - Emily Evans had her baby, all are doing well.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tim Crawford, Chair

- **MINISTRY OF CONGREGATIONAL AND PASTORAL CARE (MCPC) – Linda Lovins**
  - **Members:** Shelia Askew, Lorne Bostwick, Craig Chormann, Rick Clubb, Sun Kim, Linda Lovins (Moderator), Roy Martin, Karen Weaver, Joan Wooten (Vice Moderator)  
Ex officio: Mark Broadhead (Stated Clerk/Acting General Presbyter)
  - **For Information**
    - Updates were given regarding the status of congregations via general knowledge and Liaison reports:
      - Bethel (DeFuniak Springs) celebrated its 95 years as a worshiping and serving community on September 20th.
      - Blountstown-First: The Administrative Commission continues its work and has submitted a report to Presbytery.

- Chipley-First: The Rev. Kenneth Kelley is now serving as the Stated Supply Pastor.
- Gulf Breeze is making updates to facilities.
- Milton-First continues to thrive; membership has tripled in the last two years.
- Navarre: CRE Tanya Fernandes is doing well.
- Panama City, Parkway: Kim Stavenau retired (Sept. 31, 2025), Roy Martin's last Sunday was Aug. 31, and the Clerk of Session plans to step down on Jan. 1st, 2026. Mark Broadhead and Lisa Martin met with the session to discuss future plans. Stacey Kaye White will moderate their session meetings.
- Pensacola-First celebrated 180 years as a worshipping and serving community on August 14th. The Rev. Becky Bryan has been installed as Associate Pastor.
- Quincy-First: The Rev. Dr. Gerry Little is now serving as Interim Pastor through the end of the year.
- Red Bay: The Administrative Commission has submitted a report to Presbytery.
- UKirk Tallahassee will celebrate 75 years of faithful service with students from FSU, FAMU, and Tallahassee State College (TSC) with a special dinner and "speakeasy" on October 25th.
- Received from Mark Broadhead a report on the Clerk of Session training event held on Sept. 13, 2025.
- **Ongoing Work**
  - The 2026 Terms of Call worksheet and form were approved. That full document will be posted on the Presbytery website as a fillable form by December. Also posted will be language that must be entered into session minutes when there is a change in the housing allowance.
  - Approved Wewahitchka-First's application for a \$3,841 Emergency Repair Grant to cover loss of equipment and materials because of a plumbing incident in the fellowship hall
  - MCPC began an intense review of boundary and dismissal policies in September and is talking with Louisville on language. Major policies will be provided to the presbytery first, ahead of the full manual, for its approval.
  - Dismissal/Separation: A Task Force is needed to research the reformed traditions to which the Presbytery of Florida would dismiss congregations desiring separation from PCUSA. That list needs to be approved by Presbytery and included in the MCPC Manual, along with the policy and process for separation. Note: There is currently no church requesting dismissal/separation. However, the policy must be in place ahead of such a request, should such a request be made.
- **New Work**
  - The posting of results from the Presbyterian Association of Musicians (PAM) survey on salary and benefits was approved for posting as a resource on the Presbytery website.
  - Weekly Worship Connections: "Thought for the Week" – MCPC member Shelia Askew is in the process of extending the invitation and gathering encouraging church submissions that will be shared with congregations across the Presbytery via direct contact and posted on the Presbytery's Resources page. This is intended to connect and encourage congregations across the Presbytery.

- **Future MCH Meetings, 11:00 (CT) / 12:00 (ET)**
  - November 18, 2025 (in person)
  - December 16, 2025 (via Zoom)
  - January 20, 2026 (in person)
- **Request for MCC Action**
  - MCPC moves that an ad hoc task force be formed to research and recommend to the Presbytery the reformed traditions to which a congregation may be dismissed should it ultimately desire separation from PCUSA. Ed Nickinson, Mark Broadhead, and Lorne Bostwick have agreed to serve.
    - The motion to form the taskforce was approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Lovins, MCPC Moderator

- **ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION FOR RED BAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**
  - Members: Bob Crabtree, Linda Lovins, Michael Askew, Cathy Mooney, Mark Broadhead, Ex officio: Jo Kublik
  - **Purpose of this Administrative Commission**
    - Often times, an administrative commission is convened to help close a congregation. That is not the case with Red Bay. The purpose is to aid the aging congregation in continuing its work and mission. The congregation has become quite elderly. Recordkeeping and financial tracking has become challenging. Because of the unique relationship of the three congregations in the Red Bay area, it is felt closing the church at this time is not necessary. Thus, this administrative commission has been established to assist the congregation with its recordkeeping and financial management.
    - Commissioned Ruling Elder Joanne Kublik has been doing an excellent job moderating the session and congregational meetings, providing pastoral care, and much more. The circumstances of session records and financial recordkeeping are beyond the scope of her contract, as well as not the best use of her time. Therefore, this administrative commission is as much to help her as it is the congregation.
  - **Meeting**
    - October 8, Present: Bob Crabtree, Linda Lovins, Michael Askew, Cathy Mooney, along with Mark Broadhead & Jo Kublik.
    - We shared history and purpose for this AC.
    - Questions arose regarding cemetery ownership.
    - Jo Kublik and Cathy Mooney will seek to begin a dialogue with Clerk of Session Walter Ray, who has the Session information and financial data, with the intention to get copies of all of them to the Presbytery office.
  - **Discovery**
    - The late Rev. Durl Odom digitized the Red Bay Church files beginning with 1921. They are secure in the Presbytery office and accessible via a Google Drive.
  - **Action**
    - Jo Kublik and Cathy Mooney met with Walter Ray and went through the financial records. They appear to be in good order. They write 2-3 checks a month for utilities and to pay Jo Kublik as CRE.

- They borrowed the session records to have them scanned. That has been accomplished, and the books have been returned to Walter Ray. Cathy Mooney has two copies of the records; one will be taken to the presbytery office to be added to the files from Durl Odom.
- **Going Forward**
  - We need to meet as an AC to continue the conversation.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Catherine Mooney, member of the Administrative Commission for Red Bay Presbyterian Church

- **MINISTRY COORDINATING COUNCIL (MCC) – Don Mowat**
  - **Members:** Don Mowat, Mary Hodges, Greg Seltzer, Linda Lovins, Bill Lamont, Cathy Mooney, A. J. Mealor, Stacey Kaye White, Eric Spoon, Rich Kangas, Mark Broadhead
  - **Items for Information**
    - MCC approved the minutes of the August 12, 2025 stated meeting of the Presbytery as submitted.
    - The Commissioners to the 227th General Assembly will be commissioned at the October 28, 2025, meeting of the Presbytery.
    - MCC is strongly suggesting that Sessions consider utilizing the same elder commissioner for the year to allow for continuity.
    - Accepted the invitation of Wewahitchka-First to host the February 23, 2026 meeting of Presbytery, and
    - Accepted the invitation of Dogwood Acres to host the May 16, 2026 meeting of Presbytery.
    - Approved the request of the Lynn Haven-First congregation to dissolve the pastoral relationship between Rev. Lisa Martin and Lynn Haven-First as of September 21, 2025. Rev. Martin's membership will be transferred to National Capital Presbytery when the way be clear.
    - It was approved to change the Stated Clerk/Acting General Presbyter position to that of Stated Clerk.
    - MCC reviewed changes to the Bylaws of the Presbytery and submitted them to the Presbytery for approval.
  - **For Presbytery Approval**
    - Presbytery of Florida By-Laws – A copy of the changed by-laws was included as an attachment to the meeting handbook. After a thorough explanation of the proposed changes—primarily reflecting revisions in the Book of Order and modifications to position titles—Rev Mark Broadhead moved for approval of the revised by-laws, the motion was seconded.
      - With no further discussion or comment, the motion was approved.
    - MCC recommends that the presbytery approve the search committee for the Equipping Presbyter/Stated Clerk be made up of 5 persons.
      - The motion was approved.
    - MCC recommends approval of the following names to serve on the Equipping Presbyter/Stated Clerk search committee: Rev. Dr. Michael Askew (Panama City Beach-Gulf Beach), Elder David Dick (Navarre), Elder Linda Lovins (Tallahassee-

Faith), Elder Cathy Welch (1<sup>st</sup> Lynn Haven), and Rev. Dr. Joan Wooten (chair) (Parish Associate-Pensacola-First).

- The motion was approved.
- MCC recommends that Rev. Eric Spoon be elected to serve temporarily as Stated Clerk of the Presbytery beginning November 1, 2025, while MCC continues to search for a replacement for Rev. Mark Broadhead, whose service concludes October 31, 2025. MCC will continue its search for this position.
  - The motion was approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Don Mowat, MCC Moderator

- **MINISTRY OF DOGWOOD ACRES (MDWA) - Rev. Bill Lamont**
  - Dogwood Acres is celebrating the strongest year of summer camp since Covid struck back in 2020. DWA assembled a staff of ten college-aged counselors, six high school staff volunteers, and chaplains and nurses for the three weeks of camp. The program was enjoyed by 127 campers representing 12 churches in our presbytery. This surpasses the growth goal we set for 2025 and opens up the possibility of expanding our summer camping schedule to four weeks in 2026.
  - Dogwood's ministry team continues to focus on the next chapter in our ministry – becoming a 501c3 organization. Brant Copeland chairs a special team who are working on the application for non-profit status, as well as the covenant between DWA and the presbytery. DWA Director Christy Williams has been visiting sessions this fall to encourage stronger partnership with our churches. We encourage all sessions in our presbytery to include DWA in their annual budgets in 2026, regardless of the dollar amount they can contribute. The ministry team has set financial goals for the next five years in order to bring Dogwood to financial sufficiency.
  - Renovations to the dining hall this spring assure that mealtime will be enjoyed in a climate-controlled environment. The dining hall proved to be much cooler this summer and will be much warmer come winter. Next on the list is to renovate two small bathrooms outside the dining hall, which will make them more accessible for those with mobility issues.
  - The Presbytery Youth Council (PYC), a group of high schoolers selected to plan and run Spiritfest in early October, were trained to lead Bible study and provide other leadership at this middle school conference. It is a unique and meaningful way for youth to minister to youth within our presbytery.
  - MDWA continues to meet via Zoom on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month and occasionally in person. We encourage sessions and congregations to make greater use of this facility for their own retreats and meetings throughout the year.
  - Registration is open for the Blessing of the Animals being held at Dogwood Acres on November 1, 2025, at 10:30 a.m. CDT.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rev. Bill Lamont, MDWA Moderator

- **MINISTRY OF PASTORAL TRANSITIONS (MPT) – Rev. Stacey Kaye White**
  - **Members:** Rev. Blair Beaver, Rev. Hanlim Chae, RE Sandra Macon, RE Ed Nickinson, RE Pam Nulty, Rev. Stacey Kaye White
  - **Items for Information**
    - Rev. Becky Bryan was installed at Pensacola-First as their Associate Pastor on September 7, 2025 at 3:00 pm CDT.
    - Entered into record the email vote approving the Installation Commission for Rev. Becky Bryan.
    - Pensacola-Trinity: MPT approved the Ministry Discernment Profile with suggested edits. The MDP has been posted, and the search process has begun for an installed pastor.
    - Quincy-First: MPT approved an interim contract between Rev. Dr. Gerry Little and Quincy-First and granted him permission to labor in the bounds of the Presbytery. His ministry with them began October 5, 2025. The Pastor Nominating Committee continues its search for an installed pastor.
    - Tallahassee-First: The Pastor Nominating Committee continues to review prospective candidates.
    - Approved that the membership of Rev. Lisa Martin be transferred to the Presbytery of National Capital. Rev. Martin's last day at Lynn Haven-First was Sept. 21, 2025. Stacey Kaye White conducted an exit interview with Rev. Martin. Mark Broadhead was appointed to serve as moderator of the session. He will conduct an exit interview with the session of Lynn Haven-First. The session has formed an Interim Pastor Search Committee and Mark Broadhead will serve as the MPT liaison.
    - Rev. Kim Stavenau has completed her ministry with Parkway Presbyterian Church as of September 30, 2025. Thank you very much, Kim! Rev. Stacey Kaye White has been appointed as moderator of their session effective October 1, 2025.
    - Emily Protor's husband Richard has accepted a call to Spartanburg, SC. They will be moving shortly. Stacey Kaye provided thanks for Emily's ministry and service to the Presbytery of Florida.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rev. Stacey Kaye White

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT:**

- With business complete the Moderator closed the meeting with prayer including a special prayer for Rev. Brant Copeland's swift recovery following his accident. The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m. CDT.

Minutes respectfully submitted,  
Tim Crawford  
Recording Clerk

Mary Hodges, Moderator

Mark Broadhead, Stated Clerk/Acting General Presbyter