



2026 Stated Meeting

of the

Presbytery of Redstone
Presbyterian Church (USA)

January 24, 2026
1:00 p.m.



WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Greensburg, PA

Voice and Vote in Person

OR

Online Viewing Only by ZOOM

**CONTACT PRESBYTERY OFFICE
FOR MEETING ID# AND PASSWORD**

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Together
**Directions to
Westminster Presbyterian Church
1120 Harvey Avenue, Greensburg, PA 15601
724-837-3540**

From Route 30 – Follow Route 30 West into Greensburg business district. Turn right onto Route 819 North (Arch Avenue). After railroad tunnel, bear to the right and make immediate left turn onto Route 819 (Harvey Avenue). The church is 2.5 miles from Sheetz and immediately after the entrance to Saybrook Village. The entrance is on the left, marked by a church sign.

From the South – Route 119 North into Greensburg. Turn right onto Pittsburgh Street. Follow 119 North/819 signs through Greensburg. After railroad tunnel, bear to the right and make immediate left turn onto Route 819 (Harvey Avenue). The church is 2.5 miles from Sheetz and immediately after the entrance to Saybrook Village. The entrance is on the left, marked by a church sign.

From the West – Route 22 East to traffic light at intersection of Route 819. (BP Station will be on your left.) Turn right on Route 819 South. Go 4.9 miles to the church. Westminster Presbyterian Church is on the right down in a little valley. (If you come to the entrance of Saybrook Village, you’ve gone too far).

From the East – Route 22 West to the traffic light at intersection of Route 819. (BP Station will be on your right.) Turn right on Route 819 South. Go 4.9 miles to the church. Westminster Presbyterian Church is on the right down in a little valley. (If you come to the entrance of Saybrook Village, you’ve gone too far).

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE MEETING

- **The offering for this meeting will go to the Synod of Lakes and Prairies or the Presbytery of the Twin Cities in response to the killing of Renee Good on January 7, 2026 in Minneapolis.**

To make your Offering through online contributions go to www.redstonepresbytery.org and click on the green “GIVE NOW” link on the left of the page.

You will need to login – or create a profile if you don’t already have one – and then designate your offering in the space(s) provided. You may also mail your Offering to the Presbytery office at 1004 Mt. Pleasant Road, Greensburg, PA 15601. Please designate “Presbytery Offering” on the memo line.

- **Presbyters are reminded to get “Prayer Requests” to the Clerk as soon as possible as they will be lifted up during the prayers in the Worship Service.**

PRESBYTERY OF REDSTONE
ANNUAL MEETING

January 24, 2026
Westminster, Greensburg

or
Online Viewing Only Zoom meeting

12:30 - 1:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Registration and fellowship</i> • <i>Announcement Loop</i> 	<i>In Person/Online</i>
<i>2026 Worship Theme - Journey through the Labyrinth</i>		<i>In Person or Zoom</i>
1:00 p.m.	<p><u>Presbytery Gathering Convenes</u> CALL TO ORDER/A WORD OF WELCOME</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formation of the Roll (any new business should be submitted to the Interim Stated Clerk in writing before the end of worship) • Seating of Corresponding Members • Introduction of 1st time commissioners • Installation of Moderator/Vice-Moderator 	<p><i>Sanctuary/Zoom</i> Susan Keaney Rev. Cliff Foster</p> <p>Susan Keaney Rev. Owar Ojulu Rev. Rebecca Abbott</p>
<u>2026 Worship Theme – Journey through the Labyrinth (Appendix A)</u>		
	<p><u>Reports</u></p> <p><u>Operations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corporation Meeting <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Interim Stated Clerk</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correspondence Log (pages 5-6) • Necrology Report (Appendix B) • Equalization report (page 9) • Minister Rolls (Appendix C) • Seating of ruling elder members of Council and commissioned ruling elders for term of service. • Ordination Anniversaries (Appendix D) • Consent Agenda (pages 10-14) <p><u>Mission</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Network (page 15) • Pine Springs Camp (pages 16-17) <p><u>Budget and Finance</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treasurer’s Report (page 18) 	<p>Len Morgan</p> <p>Rev. Cliff Foster</p> <p>Greg Davis</p> <p>John Dickson</p>

	<p><u>Nominating Committee</u>- (page 19)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standing Committees • 2026 GA Commissioners <p><u>Council</u> (pages 20-27)</p> <p><u>Committee on Ministry</u>- (pages 28-29)</p> <p><u>Committee on Preparation</u> – Information only (page 31)</p> <p><u>Presbyterian Women</u></p> <p><u>Interim Executive Presbyter</u> – (pages 32-33)</p>	<p>Rev. Geoff Rach</p> <p>Susan Keaney</p> <p>Rev. Dr. Martin Ankrum</p> <p>Patricia Hart</p> <p>Rev. Dr. Lon Weaver</p>
	<p><u>Resolution of Thanks</u></p> <p><u>Adjournment</u></p> <p><u>Benediction</u></p> <p><i><u>The next stated meeting of the Presbytery of Redstone will take place on March 24 2026, 6:00 p.m. by Voice and Vote In Person at the First Presbyterian Church, Irwin or Online Viewing Only by Zoom.</u></i></p>	<p>Rev. John Simpson</p> <p>Rev. Dr. Lon Weaver</p>

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INTERIM STATED CLERK’S REPORT:

1. During the period since the last regularly stated Presbytery meeting, all correspondence that was received was responded to and/or appropriately routed for review and response to the appropriate entity of Presbytery.

Stated Clerk Correspondence Log

Date Received	Received From	Content	Action
January 15, 2026 - email	Brownsville, Calvin United	2025 Necrology Report	File
January 15, 2026	Avonmore, First	By-Laws	File
January 15, 2026 - email	Greensburg, Westminster	2025 Necrology Report	File
January 13, 2026 - Inperson	New Alexandria, Congruity	2025 Necrology Report, 2026 Terms of Call for Cliff Foster, Session List	COM & File
January 12, 2025 - email	Patton	2025 Necrology Report	File
January 12, 2025 - email	Rev. Sue Washburn	2026 Clearances	File
January 8, 2025 - mail	David McMann	Letter of resignation from COM	COM & File
January 8, 2025 - mail	Scottdale, Calvin United	2025 Necrology Report	File
January 8, 2025 - mail	Lower Burrell, Grace Community	2025 Necrology Report List of Session Members, Manse Report	File
January 8, 2026 - inperson	Greensburg, Maplewood	2025 Necrology Report, 2026 Commitment Form, 2026 Terms of Call for Stephen LaSor, List of Session Members	COM & File
January 8, 2026 - email	Ebensburg	2025 Necrology Report	File
January 8, 2025 - email	Belle Vernon, Rehoboth	2026 Terms of Call for Donald Glunt and list of Session Members	COM & File
January 8, 2026 - email	Lower Burrell, Puckety	2025 Necrology Report	File
January 7, 2026 - email	Latrobe	2025 Necrology Report	File
January 6, 2026 - mail	Irwin, Level Green	2025 Necrology Report	File
January 5, 2026 - mail	Belle Vernon, Marion	2025 Necrology Report, 2026 Commitment Form, 2026 Terms of Call for Robert Prinkey, Manse Report, List of Session Members	COM & File
January 5, 2026 - mail	James Sunseri	2025 Commissioned Ruling Elder’s Annual	File

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January 5, 2026 - mail	Vanderbilt, East Liberty	2025 Necrology Report	File
January 5, 2026 - mail	McClellandtown	2025 Necrology Report, Manse Report	File
January 5, 2026 - mail	New Salem	2025 Necrology Report	File
January 5, 2026 - email	Belle Vernon, Rehoboth	2025 Necrology Report	File
January 5, 2026 - email	Delmont	2025 Necrology Report	File
January 5, 2026 - email	North Huntingdon, New Hope	2025 Necrology Report, List of Session Members	File
January 5, 2026 - email	Johnstown, Westmont	2026 Commitment Form, Membership Report, Manse Report, 2025 Necrology Report, List of Session Members	COM & File
January 5, 2026 - email	West Newton, Sewickley	2025 Necrology Report	File
January 5, 2026 - email	Smithfield, Grace Chapel	2025 Necrology Report	File
January 5, 2026 - email	Colver	2025 Necrology Report	File
January 5, 2026 - email	New Florence, Trinity	2025 Necrology Report	File
January 5, 2026 - email	Lower Burrell, Puckety	2026 Terms of Call for Brian Kilbert	COM & File
December 18, 2026 - mail	Ebensburg Presbyterian Church	2026 Waiver Request for Rebecca Bracken , Amy Brulia	COM & File
December 18, 2026 - email	Latrobe Presbyterian Church	2026 Commitment Form	File
December 11, 2025 - mail	Cresson	2026 Terms of Call for Alice Tondora	COM & File
December 8, 2025 - mail	Belle Vernon, Harmony	Necrology & Manse Report	File
December 4, 2025 - mail	North Huntingdon, New Hope	2026 Terms of Call for Brenda Barnes	COM & File
December 2, 2025 - mail	Bolivar United Presbyterian Church	Commissioned Pastor Agreement & 2026 Terms of Call for James Sunseri	COM & File
November 20, 2025 - mail	New Florence, Bethel	Commissioned Pastor Agreement & 2026 Terms of Call for James Sunseri	COM & File
November 20, 2025 - mail	New Alexandria, Congruity	2026 Commitment Estimate Form	File
Novmeber 17, 2025- mail	West Newton, Sewickley	Commissioned Pastor Agreement & 2026 Terms of Call for Karen Kifer	COM & File
November 17, 2025 - email	Apollo, Poke Run	2026 Commitment Estimate Form	File
November 13, 2025 - email	North Huntingdon, New Hope	Deed, Bylaws and Church Directory	File

2. The task forces, networks, and ad hoc committees in existence as of December 31, 2025, were as follows:
 - a. Committees of Council
 1. Budget, Finance and Stewardship
 2. Communications
 3. Mission
 4. Staff Support
 - b. Committees of the Committee on Ministry
 1. Examinations and Membership
 2. Search and Call
 3. Congregations and Leadership--Northwest – Districts I/II
 4. Congregations and Leadership-- East – District IV
 5. Congregations and Leadership-- South – District III
 - c. Networks
 1. Healing Prayer Ministry Network
 2. Matthew 25 Network
 3. Addictions Ministry Network
 4. Geographic Districts – I; II; III; IV
 5. IPLF Steering Network
 6. Lectionary reading group
 7. Women Clergy
 8. Presbyterian Women

3. Pursuant to Book of Order D-5.0206b, the Interim Stated Clerk shall report annually the roster of those members of the Permanent Judicial Commission whose terms have expired within the past six years. They are as follows:

Permanent Judicial Commission Roster (Current)

2031 – Bernice Adams, Cheryl Rhea, Doug Yauger,
2029 – Rev. Lisa Dormire, Rev. Gary Filson, Rev. Pete Goetschius
2027 – Rev. Susan Blank, Rev. Steve LaSor, Len Morgan

Permanent Judicial Commission (Terms expired within the last 6 years)

2025 – Patti Baird, Elsie Deem, Linda Dickson
2023 – Rev. Clark Kerr, Rev. Marnie Russell, Rev. Curtis Paul
2021 – Glenn Hart, Rev. John Manon, Rev. Caroline Vickery
2019 – Jennifer Rega, Nancy Vernon

4. Based upon the provisions of the Manual, the Interim Stated Clerk **moves** that the following Presbytery Officers be recognized as members of the Presbytery, with voice and vote, for their term of service:

Ruling Elder Bernice Adams – Presbytery Council
Ruling Elder Liz Armstrong – Presbytery Council
Ruling Elder Jack Battenhouse- Presbytery Council

Ruling Elder Linda Chicka – Presbytery Council
Ruling Elder Scott Cole – Presbytery Council
Ruling Elder Glenn Hart – Presbytery Council
Ruling Elder Susan Keaney – Presbytery Council
Ruling Elder Keith Langston – Presbytery Council
Ruling Elder Janie Short – Presbytery Council

5. Based upon the provisions of the Manual, the Interim Stated Clerk **moves** that the following Commissioned Pastors (Ruling Elders Commissioned to Particular Pastoral Service) and any others commissioned during a Presbytery meeting in 2025, be recognized as members with voice and vote as long as they are serving in that capacity:
 - Ruling Elder Jackie Eckenrod, District II & III
 - Ruling Elder Eric Glisan, Masontown, First
 - Ruling Elder Glenn Hart, Belle Vernon, Harmony; West Newton, Sewickley United
 - Ruling Elder Karen Kifer, West Newton, Sewickley
 - Ruling Elder Lynn Mance, First, Avonmore
 - Ruling Elder David McElroy, Vanderbilt, East Liberty
 - Ruling Elder Len Morgan, New Alexandria, Community United
 - Ruling Elder David O’Hara, Revloc
 - Ruling Elder Robert Prinkey, Belle Vernon, Marion
 - Ruling Elder Joshua Scully, Fayette City, Little Redstone
 - Ruling Elder Robert Sheehan, District IV
 - Ruling Elder Jeff Smith, Uniontown, Tent
 - Ruling Elder James Sunseri, New Florence, Bethel; Bolivar, United
 - Ruling Elder William Weightman, Dunbar, Laurel Hill
 - Ruling Elder Doug Yauger, Scottdale, Calvin

6. Based upon the provisions of the Manual, the Interim Stated Clerk **moves** that the Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, and a representative from Pine Springs Camp, Presbyterian Women, Redstone Highlands, Debby Koenig, Chair of Mission Committee be given the privilege of the floor and recognized with voice only as long as they are serving in that capacity.

7. The stated meetings for 2026 have been scheduled as follows:
 - Saturday, January 25, 2025 – Westminster Presbyterian Church, Greensburg
 - Tuesday, March 24, 2026 – First Presbyterian Church, Irwin
 - Tuesday, May 26, 2026- Congruity Presbyterian Church, New Alexandria
 - Tuesday, September 22, 2026 – Pine Springs Camp, Jennerstown
 - Tuesday, November 17, 2026 – Grace Community Presbyterian Church, Lower Burrell

8. The Interim Stated Clerk provided the 2025 Necrology Report of Ruling and Teaching Elders. (Appendix B)

9. Equalization

On December 31, 2024, 82 ministers of Word and Sacrament were on the rolls of the Presbytery, 9 of whom were living outside the bounds of the Presbytery. There were 65 churches entitled to be represented by 77 ruling elder commissioners. There are also 17 ruling elders commissioned to particular service and 9 ruling elder presbyters by virtue of office. On December 31, 2025, 78 ministers of Word and Sacrament were on the rolls of the Presbytery, 9 of whom were living outside the bounds of the Presbytery. There were 64 churches entitled to be represented by 76 ruling elder commissioners. There are also 15 ruling elders commissioned to particular service and 8 ruling elder presbyters by virtue of office.

Based upon the “goal of numerical parity of teaching elders and ruling elders,” the “principles of participation” and the need to communicate the plan for the determining commissioners, the Presbytery has adopted a plan [Book of Order; G-3.0301; Manual; 1.1003] designating the number of commissioners based upon church membership (table below) and designating other ruling elders by virtue of office to be given the privilege of voice and vote at all Presbytery meetings [Manual; 1.1009]. Although with this plan, there is an imbalance regarding the number of eligible ruling elder commissioners (actually more than ministers), the actual participation patterns still reflect a nearly equal number of ministers and ruling elders participating. Since 2021, with the complete migration to Zoom and Hybrid meetings, the patterns have remained fairly consistent. The number of ministers of Word and Sacraments members and ruling elder members in attendance were very comparable with slightly with an average difference of less than one over the course of all four meetings. Of course, in any given meeting, the balance may have sided with one group or the other. Consequently, in order to continue to maintain the goal of balance, the current number of possible ruling elder commissioners based upon the existing plan does not need to be altered. Therefore, I do not recommend any equalization adjustment at this time.

Equalization Plan for 2026 - Church List/# of commissioners

Adah, Palmer Community - 1	Greensburg, Maplewood - 1	Murrysville, Union - 1
Apollo, Poke Run - 1	Greensburg, Westminster - 1	New Alexandria, Community - 1
Avonmore, First - 1	Irwin, First - 4	New Alexandria, Congruity - 1
Belle Vernon, First - 1	Irwin, West Hempfield - 1	New Florence, Bethel - 1
Belle Vernon, Harmony - 1	Jeannette, First - 1	New Florence, Trinity - 1
Belle Vernon, Marion - 1	Johnstown, Bethany - 1	New Kensington, United - 1
Belle Vernon, Rehoboth - 1	Johnstown, First - 1	New Salem - 1
Bolivar, United - 1	Johnstown, Second - 1	North Huntingdon, New Hope - 1
Brownsville, Calvin - 1	Johnstown, Westmont - 3	Patton - 1
Brownsville, Ft. Burd - 1	Lake Lynn, Springhill Furnace - 1	Revloc - 1
Colver - 1	Latrobe - 2	Scottdale, Calvin - 1
Cresson - 1	Latrobe, United - 1	Smithfield, Grace Chapel - 1
Delmont - 1	Leisenring - 1	Smock, Pleasant View - 1
Derry - 1	Ligonier, Pleasant Grove - 1	Trafford, Level Green - 2
Dunbar, First - 1	Lower Burrell, Grace Community - 2	Uniontown, Tent - 1
Dunbar, Laurel Hill - 1	Lower Burrell, Puckety - 2	Uniontown, Third - 2
Ebensburg - 1	Masontown, First - 1	Uniontown, Trinity United - 1
Fairchance - 1	McClellandtown - 1	Vanderbilt, East Liberty - 1
Farminton, Mt Washington - 1	Merrittstown, Dunlap's Creek - 1	West Newton, Sewickley - 1
Fayette City, Little Redstone - 1	Mt Pleasant, Reunion - 1	West Newton, Sewickley United - 1
Greensburg, First - 3	Murrysville, First - 1	West Newton, United - 1
	Murrysville, Newlonsburg - 2	

8. The Interim Stated Clerk provided the current Rolls of the Presbytery and Continuing Members. (Appendix C).

9. The dates for the 2025 Session Minutes Reviews are:

- February 7, 2026 – Westmont, Johnstown; Pre-Enrichment Day
- March 24, 2026 – Irwin, First; Pre-Presbytery Meeting
- April 22, 2026 – Redstone Presbytery Center
- May 26, 2026 - Lower Burrell, Grace Community; Pre-Presbytery

CONSENT AGENDA:

The Interim Stated Clerk, Rev. Cliff Foster, presents the following Consent Agenda.

From Executive Committee

1. Following the review of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Stated Clerk and Interim Stated Clerk, it is **recommended** that the minutes of the Presbytery meeting of the November 22, 2025, be approved.

From the Council

1. Council **recommends** that the Financial and Treasurer’s Reports presented to the Council and the Presbytery be received and filed for audit. (Financials located at the end of the Consent Agenda)
2. Council **recommends** that the Interim Executive Presbyter, Treasurer, Mission, Pine Springs Camp reports presented to the Presbytery be received and filed.
3. Council **recommends** approval and authorization of the continuation of all subcommittees, networks and task forces functioning at the end of 2025 year as noted in the Interim Stated Clerk’s report.

From the Committee on Ministry

1. The Committee on Ministry **recommends** that Presbytery grant the request from the Ebensburg Presbyterian Church for Waiver of Rotation for Elders Rebecca Bracken and Amy Brulia

From the Committee on Preparation for Ministry

From the Nominating Committee

Presbytery of Redstone Income and Expense Statement

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GENERAL FUND 01, December 2025

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	Current Period	Year to Date	Annual Budget	Annual Budget Percentage
INCOME				
CONTRIBUTION INCOME	\$24,588.19	\$324,133.32	\$353,000.00	91.82%
INTEREST INCOME	0.00	129.12	4,000.00	3.23%
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	-8.58	7,066.91	5,000.00	141.34%
RELEASE FROM RESTRICTIONS				
TEMP RESTRICTED RELEASE	-1,697.00	-31,728.25	0.00	0.00%
Subtotal Release From Restrictions	-1,697.00	-31,728.25	0.00	0.00%
RELEASED FROM RESTRICTION	1,697.00	31,728.25	0.00	0.00%
TOTAL INCOME	24,579.61	331,329.35	362,000.00	91.53%
EXPENSES				
SHARED MINISTRY & MISSION COMMITTEE EXPENSES	\$5,747.00	\$78,564.35	\$97,000.00	80.99%
COUNCIL	257.00	5,864.63	3,750.00	156.39%
COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00%
COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00%
Subtotal Committee Expenses	257.00	5,864.63	5,250.00	111.71%
OPERATIONS	1,196.45	49,973.21	43,221.00	115.62%
PRESBYTERY STAFF				
EXECUTIVE STAFF	10,481.95	100,006.23	138,000.00	72.47%
ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT	2,892.00	28,588.80	29,213.00	97.86%
EMPLOYER PAID FICA TAXES	865.89	8,334.35	9,100.00	91.59%
Subtotal Presbytery Staff	14,239.84	136,929.38	176,313.00	77.66%
APPORTIONMENTS	8,773.75	105,285.00	105,285.00	100.00%
RESTRICTED EXPENSE	0.00	1,329.86	0.00	0.00%
TOTAL EXPENSES	30,214.04	377,946.43	427,069.00	88.50%
TRANSFER ACCOUNTS				
TRANSFER FROM OTHER FUNDS	\$26,655.55	\$91,665.11	\$66,000.00	138.89%
TOTAL TRANSFERS	26,655.55	91,665.11	66,000.00	138.89%
EXCESS INCOME/EXPENSES	\$21,021.12	\$45,048.03	\$931.00	4,838.67%

**Presbytery of Redstone
Balance Sheet
Consolidated - December 2025**

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Current Year

ASSETS/BANK ACCOUNTS

CHECKING ACCOUNTS	\$87,900.51
SAVINGS ACCOUNTS	12,742.93
Subtotal Bank Accounts	100,643.44
INVESTMENTS	1,151,760.45
LOANS RECEIVABLE	-0.19
FIXED ASSETS	
BUILDINGS	300,000.00
EQUIPMENT	136,800.00
Subtotal Fixed Assets	436,800.00
OTHER ASSETS	1,877,753.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$3,566,956.70
LIABILITIES	
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	\$2,902.17
PASS THRU CONTRIBUTIONS	1,850.33
Subtotal Current Liabilities	4,752.50
INTERFUND ADVANCES	0.57
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,753.07
NET ASSETS	
UNRESTRICTED	\$3,398,317.74
TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED	82,934.89
PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED	80,951.00
TOTAL EQUITY	3,562,203.63
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$3,566,956.70

**Redstone Presbytery
Commitment to Larger Church
December 31, 2025**

	2025 PLEDGE	TOTAL PAID	% Payup as of 12/31/2025	Unpaid Pledge Balance
Adah, Palmer	500.00	500.00		
Apollo, Poke Run	3,897.90	4,812.90	123%	(915.00)
Avonmore	1,000.00	2,260.50	226%	(1,260.50)
Belle Vernon, First	4,500.00	4,500.00	100%	
Belle Vernon, Harmony	1,200.00	1,200.00	100%	
Belle Vernon, Marion	2,475.00	2,475.00	100%	
Belle Vernon, Rehoboth	3,000.00	3,000.00	100%	
Bolivar		1,500.00		(1,500.00)
Brownsville, Calvin				
Brownsville, Ft. Burd				
Brownsville, Hopewell				
Colver		177.00		(177.00)
Cresson	2,000.00	2,000.00		
Delmont				
Derry	1,000.00	1,000.00	100%	
Dunbar, First		1,275.00		(1,275.00)
Dunbar, Laurel Hill	1,062.00	1,062.00		
Ebensburg	1,000.00	1,036.08		(36.08)
Fairchance				
Farmington				
Fayette City, Little Redstone	2,000.00	2,000.00		
Greensburg, First	31,000.00	31,000.00	100%	
Greensburg, Maplewood	6,000.00	6,000.00	100%	
Greensburg, Westminster	6,000.00	6,000.00	100%	
Irwin, First	25,000.00	24,999.96		0.04
Irwin, W. Hempfield	3,000.00	2,250.00	75%	750.00
Jeannette	2,400.00	1,800.00	75%	600.00
Johnstown, Bethany	1,620.00	1,620.00	100%	
Johnstown, First	6,000.00	6,000.00	100%	
Johnstown, Second	2,000.00	2,000.00	100%	
Johnstown, Westmont	16,000.00	16,000.00	100%	
Lake Lynn		800.00		(800.00)
Latrobe, Main St.	26,500.00	26,500.00		
Latrobe, Spring St.	3,000.00	3,000.00		

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December 31, 2025**

	2025	TOTAL	% Payup as of	Unpaid Pledge Balance
	PLEDGE	PAID	12/31/2025	
Leisenring	500.00	500.00	100%	
Ligonier, Pleasant Grove				
Lower Burrell, Grace	7,000.00	5,833.30		1,166.70
Lower Burrell, Puckety	10,000.00	10,000.00	100%	
Masontown	200.00	200.00		
McClellandtown	5,200.00	5,200.00		
Merrittstown, Dunlap's Ck.	150.00			150.00
Mt. Pleasant, Reunion		1,145.00		(1,145.00)
Murrysville, First	12,000.00	12,000.00		
Murrysville, Newlonsburg	23,040.00	23,034.00		6.00
Murrysville, Union	4,000.00	4,160.00	104%	(160.00)
N. Alexandria, Community	4,000.00	2,669.00	67%	1,331.00
N. Alexandria, Congruity	6,200.00	5,848.02	94%	351.98
New Florence, Bethel	3,000.00	2,750.00	92%	250.00
New Florence, Trinity	3,825.00	3,825.00	100%	
New Kensington	4,757.00	4,372.53	92%	384.47
New Salem	2,000.00	1,321.00	66%	679.00
N. Huntingdon, New Hope	5,700.00	5,700.00	100%	
Patton	3,465.00	3,465.00	100%	
Revloc	1,800.00	1,800.00	100%	
Scottdale	500.00	500.00	100%	
Smithfield, Grace Chapel	900.00	900.00	100%	
Smock, Pleasant View	10,000.00	10,100.00	101%	(100.00)
Trafford, Level Green	5,925.00	5,560.00	94%	365.00
Uniontown, Tent				
Uniontown, Third		864.00		(864.00)
Uniontown, Trinity	2,700.00	1,341.50	50%	1,358.50
Vanderbilt, E. Liberty	1,000.00	1,190.00	119%	(190.00)
West Newton, Sewickley	540.00	585.00	108%	(45.00)
W. Newton, Sewickley UP				
West Newton, United		195.00		(195.00)
Totals	270,556.90	271,826.79		(1,269.89)

Mission Network

Information Items

January 8, 2025, Meeting

Devotions: Debby shared a reading from Matthew 22:37-40

Prayer Requests The people of Sudan and South Sudan; the people of Minneapolis, MN; the innocents in Venezuela; Pakistan; Synod grant requests for people in Jeannette with mental health issues and substance abuse issues; vision for community ministries to the unhoused via First Pres Johnstown; vision for work via the New Kensington church with persons with dementia.

Sylvia received a call from Poke Run regarding our relationship with SSPEC and SPEC in our partnership. We continue to move forward with our 20 plus year partnership. A year ago monies we sent provided relief for South Sudanese and also provided funds to purchase some land. Sylvia will send Karen a message for the e-news regarding the need to continue to support the Sudan South Sudan partnership.

Motion was made and seconded to make it standard practice to collect the offering at Presbytery meetings going forward? The offering for the January 24, 2026 Presbytery Meeting at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Greensburg will be for the Synod of Lakes and Prairies or the Presbytery of the Twin Cities in response to the killing of Renee Nicole Good on January 7 in Minneapolis.

Susan Keaney said that Newlonsburg Presbyterian Church was taking food to the First Presbyterian Church in Charleroi for distribution to the Haitian refugee community in the wake of the closing of the glass manufacturing plant that had employed a significant number of Haitian refugees.



Pine Springs Camp Report to Presbytery

STRATEGIC PLAN AND MASTER SITE PLAN

The PSC Board has approved a new Strategic Plan for the Ministry of Pine Springs Camp. We are working through refining and implementing the various objectives and tactics that are a part of the plan. After just a little more work, it will be available for us to send out! A Master Site Plan has been completed! We appreciate the grant funding received through the McFeely-Rogers Foundation. It was an exciting process to “dream” about how PSC can continue to be a place where vital encounters with occur.

SUMMER CAMP 2026

Registration opened at midnight on January 1 and in 8 days we already have 200 campers registered! Grateful to the Lord! Brochures are mailed and we will be providing packets with brochures, bulletin inserts, posters and flyers of our various events.

DON'T FORGET WE WILL BE DISTRIBUTING PACKETS TO EACH CHURCH WHICH INCLUDES BROCHURES, BULLETIN INSERTS, FLYERS AND POSTERS AT THE JANUARY 24TH PRESBYTERY MEETING. Please try to designate someone to pick the packet up. This will save us a lot of money in postage because we mail the remaining packets. THANK YOU.

TRAVELING DAY CAMP

Registration for our Traveling Day Camps will go live in early February. The following Traveling Day Camps will be..

- ♦ Norwin/Irwin Area- June 15-19 @ New Hope Presbyterian Church
- ♦ Murrysville Area-July 20-24- @ Murrysville Presbyterian Church
- ♦ Latrobe Area- July 27-31 @ The Summit- Latrobe Presbyterian, Latrobe Community Ministries and Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

WE ARE GRATEFUL TO THE PARTNERING CHURCHES WHO HELPED MAKE THESE CAMPS AWESOME

RECRUITING AND CONNECTION EVENTS

Here are ways that you can connect others to learn about our summer camp program. Let's get as many camper's as possible to so they can have a vital encounter with Christ.

- **PSC SKATES-Sunday, March 22, 2026-2-4 pm- Southpoint Ice Rink**
Come have some fun, connect with the Pine Springs Camp Family and bring someone new! An opportunity to enjoy an afternoon with family and friends. More details to come. Please be looking for a similar event in the Redstone Presbytery area!
- **PSC CAMP VISIT CAMP DAY-Saturday, April 18, 2026**
An opportunity for new or potential campers and families to come to Pine Springs Camp and get a tour, meet staff, eat lunch, and have fun! This is also a good opportunity for returning campers and families to reconnect with other campers and staff, as well as a great way to introduce friends and other families to PSC. This is a Free Event but you must register at by going to our web-site <https://www.pinesprings.org/camp-visitation-day>
Schedule
 - 10:00-10:30 - Arrival/Registration
 - 10:30-11:30 - Tours of Camp
 - 11:30-12:00 - Q&A Time
 - 12:00-1:00 - Lunch Time/Campfire (weather permitting)
 - 1:00-2:00 - PSC Games and Activities (optional)
- **SCHEDULE A CHURCH OR COMMUNITY VISIT!**
We are scheduling our visits to churches. If you would like for us to come and talk about summer camp to your congregation and preferable camp aged youth, please contact Mike at mike@pinesprings.org.

PINE SPRINGS CAMP SPRING RETREAT OFFERINGS

This is a great opportunity for your congregation to have a wonderful retreat experience. There are group rates for 10 or more. Please go to www.pinesprings.org/retreats for updated information and for registration. Feel free to contact the following staff for questions or more information. And as always, please feel free to call the camp office as well! (814) 629-9834

PSC RETREAT DATES	CONTACT FOR MORE INFO
FEBRUARY 6-8: WINTER REMIX-(MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL)	MIKE HURELY-SUMMER CAMP DIRECTOR MIKE@PINESPRINGS.ORG
APRIL 10-12: WOMEN IN THE WOODS	ELLIE DAVIS-DIRECTOR OF WOMEN MINISTRY ELLIE@PINESPRINGS.ORG
MARCH 27-29: MEN’S CATALYST BACKPACKING TRIP ON LAUREL HIGHLANDS TRAIL	JUSTIN SHAFFER-DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES AND ADVENTURE EDUCATION JUSTIN@PINESPRINGS.ORG
APRIL 24-26: WOMEN’S -CATALYST BACKPACKING TRIP ON LAUREL HIGHLANDS TRAIL	JUSTIN SHAFFER-DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES AND ADVENTURE EDUCATION JUSTIN@PINESPRINGS.ORG

OUR MINISTRY TO CHURCHES BY PROVIDING A PLACE FOR THEIR GROUP!

We are grateful for churches from all over the Pittsburgh region choosing to use our camp as place where they can provide a vital encounter with Christ to others. We believe that God has blessed us with a great place where retreat group participants can connect with God in a way reflects the unique PSC Experience. Here is a list of groups, with anticipated number of attendees coming this spring!

JANUARY

- KOREAN CENTRAL-65
- PETER’S CREEK BAPTIST MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL-105
- BAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH-50

FEBRUARY

- CANONSBURG PRESBYTERIAN FAMILY RETREAT-55
- GRACE LIFE CHURCH MONROEVILLE MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL-100

MARCH

- NORTHWAY GRADUATE AND YOUNG PROFESSIONAL MINISTRY-65
- PLEASANT HILLS MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL-50

APRIL

- PA FAMILY ALLIANCE FAMILY CONNECTION WEEKEND-50

MAY

- FIRST FREE EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MEN’S RETREAT-60

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES, EVENTS AND INFORMATION

We are grateful for the many ways the PSC Family encourages our ministry through their giving, praying and supporting our ministry. Here are some events and information

- ♦ 2026 SCHOLARSHIP AND AID GOLF OUTING-Monday, May 18
- ♦ STAFF TRAINING BEGINS-June 2
- ♦ A PSC CAMP COMMUNITY CELEBRATION! -TBA
- ♦ FIRST DAY OF CAMP-Sunday, June 14

Budget and Finance

Treasurers Report Redstone Presbytery January 24, 2026

Income & Expense Report

This report provides an unaudited overview of the December 31, 2025 finances for the Redstone Presbytery. The month of December, represents the end of the fiscal year of the budget cycle for the Presbytery. At this time, it is hopeful all pledged Church Commitment amounts, are received to address the mission objectives for the Presbytery.

Financial Overview / Income

Church Commitment income for the month received totaled \$22,782, versus a monthly expectation of \$25,667. Therefore, a shortfall of -\$2,885 is recognized for the month. YTD, funds received inclusive of additional funds from churches and the Presbyterian Foundation totaled \$279,048 or 90.6% of a budgeted \$308,000. Therefore at year end, the 9.4% shortfall represents -\$28,952 of Church Commitment funds.

Total Income for the end of December, which is inclusive of Interest Income, Miscellaneous, and Released From Temporary Restricted accounts totaled \$24,580. YTD income or year end funds, totaled \$331,329 versus a projection of \$362,000. YTD income received, was 92% of budgeted projection.

Church Commitment Activity / Year-End Review

- 65 Churches are represented on this report
- 48 Churches provided a pledge in 2025
- 65 Churches made a payment throughout the year
- 26 Churches reached their total pledge commitment (100%) or exceeded with additional funds.
- \$7,392.69 of pledged funds not received at year end.

Financial Overview / Expenses

Monthly expenses totaled \$30,214 versus a budgeted amount of \$35,589. YTD expenses totaled \$377,946, versus a yearly projection of \$427,069. Therefore, expenses for the year were below budget at 89%.

Investments & Holdings

Ameriprise for the month of December experienced a negative change in value of -\$33,451, but at the end of the year investments were positive totaling \$47,950. Throughout the year, \$65,771

Nominating Committee

Actions Items

- The Nominating Committee nominates the following people for the standing committees and Respective terms.

Council

Liz Armstrong; Latrobe, (2028)

Permanent Judicial Commission

Bernice Adams; Westmont, Johnstown (2031)

Cheryl Rhea; Level Green, Trafford (2031)

Committee on Ministry

Donna McLaughlin; United, New Kensington (2028)

Committee on Preparation

Ray Edelman, First, Irwin (2028)

- The Nominating Committee nominates the following people to serve in the elected offices.

Treasurer

Keith Langston; First Murrysville

Assistant Treasurer

John Dickson; First Greensburg

- The Nominating Committee nominates the following people to serve as Teaching Elder and Ruling Elder commissioners of Redstone Presbytery to the 2026 General Assembly.

Teaching Elder Rebecca Abbott (McClellandtown Presbyterian Church

Elder - TBD

Elder - TBD

Young Adult Advisory Delegate - TBD

****Rev. Derek Campbell was elected Teaching Elder to the 2026 General Assembly at the November 22, 2025 Presbytery Meeting.*

Information Items

Please submit names of possible Ruling Elders for consideration to the Nominating Committee through Rev. Geoff Rach

Additionally, there are always opportunities on various subcommittees, task forces and networks. See the list in the Interim Stated Clerk's report. Express any interest to the Presbytery office and we will get you connected.

ACTION AGENDA

Presbytery Council

Presentation and Action Items

- **Installation of Rev. Owar Ojulu, Moderator; and Rev. Rebecca Abbott, Vice-Moderator**
- **The Council recommends interruption of the meeting for the purpose of convening the meeting of the corporation of the Presbytery of Redstone.**

(Corporation Meeting of the Presbytery of Redstone, January 24, 2026)

Based upon the provisions of the Manual, the following slate of persons are nominated to serve as the Officers of the Corporation for 2026:

President - Ms. Susan Keaney

Secretary - Rev. Cliff Foster

Treasurer - Mr. Keith Langston

Assistant Treasurer - Mr. John R. Dickson, IV

In addition to the officers of the corporation, it is moved that the following person be added to those authorized to sign checks for the Corporation.

Bookkeeper – Roberta Shaffor

Corporation Meeting Adjourned and Presbytery Meeting resumed.

- **Reading and honoring those Ministers and Elders who have joined the Church Triumphant from the Necrology report during worship service. (Appendix B)**

Information Items

January 13, 2026, Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Elder Susan Keaney, Chair of Council called the meeting to order at 6:29 p.m. and opened the meeting with prayer. A quorum of members was established.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Susan Keaney, Chair of Council, solicited any changes to the agenda. It was **Moved** by Keith Langston and **Seconded** by Laura Blank, and **Passed** to approve the agenda as presented.

DEVOTIONS AND INTRODUCTIONS

Laura Blank led the devotions. Laura passed out a paper that described what Dwelling in the Word involves. The passage was Romans 12: 1-8. Dwelling in the Word is a vehicle to listen to how God is speaking to us. You read the scripture and leave time for silence and then reread the scripture followed by silence again and then you focus on a word or a phrase that speaks to you as the Spirit pokes you. The group then shared what their partner shared. We are like pieces of a puzzle that makes up an image of God. It is important for us to discern

the Word of God.

The Council members then introduced themselves to each other.

A sign-up sheet for devotions for the Council meetings was available for members to lead devotions during 2026. March 3 Molly Hall; April 28 Gary Filson; June 23 Susan Keaney; August 25 Andrew Wirt; October 27 Bernice Adams; December 1 Cliff Foster.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the December 2, 2025 meeting were presented. It was **Moved** by Gary Filson **Seconded** by Larua Blank and **Passed** to approve these minutes.

REPORTS

Moderator

- No Report

Interim Executive Presbyter There was a written report from the Interim Executive Presbyter. Lon talked about some of the connections he had rekindled with people in the music community. He enjoyed a recent conversation with Pittsburgh Theological Seminary President Asa Lee about theological education in the current culture. Lon talked about the connection he has with the area where Renee Good was recently shot and killed in Minneapolis which is in the same area where George Floyd was killed; Lon's son once lived in that section of the city. It is important to have deep conversations about the various issues that are surfacing in our country. Lon wants to stress discernment throughout this year – what are the needs in our community, how can we respond to those needs. He will be sending out the first of the discernment exercise with Session within our Presbytery.

It was **Moved** by Cliff Foster that the Council approve the Synod Fit for the Future Grant application, it was **Seconded** by Bernice Adams and **Passed** to approve the Synod Fit for the Future Grant application.

Interim Stated Clerk

Rev. Cliff Foster, Interim Stated Clerk reported the following:

- The Correspondence Log
- Committees, Network, Task Force Sign-up Sheet were passed around for people to sign up to be part for

the various Committees, Network and Task Forces. Those signing up were: Staff Support Jack Battenhouse; Budget and Finance Keith Langston; Communications Andrew Wirt; Meeting Design Committee Laura Blank, Gary Filson; Addictions Ministry Janie Short, Linda Chick; IPLF Ed Gray.

Treasurer Report

John Dickson distributed a written report to the members of Council. John asked the question if we should do a full audit or a review as we have been doing. It was decided to continue to do a review as we have been doing based on a conversation with the representative of the company that does our annual financial review. John will be stepping down as Treasurer and Keith Langston will be taking over as Treasurer. John's final report will be at the January Presbytery meeting.

Executive Director of Pine Springs Camp There was a written report from Greg Davis, Executive Director of Pine Springs Camp. Greg passed out the brochures for 2026. There are 240 campers registered all ready for

camp this summer. Packets will be distributed at the Presbytery meeting with brochures, information on retreats and other information. The recruiting season has become and asked for prayers for the summer staff. They are proceeding to have international staff again this year. A master site plan has been done and will be unveiled in the future. Trying to expand traveling camp in Washington Presbytery at the Thomas Presbyterian Church. More information and registrations for Traveling camp will be distributed in February. Exploring using facilities during the week and on weekends, for spiritual retreats, spiritual reflection and for a time of rest. Trying to put some legs on this new initiative called the Seeking Refuge Initiative. There will be a retreat in April for Youth Leaders. Looking to doing something for church vocational people. They are doing a college retreat in March called Break Away.

Susan Keaney, Chair of Council had to leave the meeting at 7:30PM in order to attend another meeting. By consent the Council decided that the Interim Stated Clerk, Cliff Foster would take over moderating the meeting.

SUBCOMMITTEES/NETWORKS/TASK FORCES

Staff Support. There was a written report from the Staff Support Committee. It was **MOVED** by Cliff Foster **SECONDED** by Ed Gray the **motion** was passed to extend the contract of the Interim Executive Presbyter, Lon Weaver for another year

Mission There was a written report from the Mission Committee. The Offering at the January meeting will be given to the Presbytery of Twin Cities.

Budget and Finance No Report. They will try to communicate more with the Presbytery throughout the year.

Communications There was a written report from the Communications Committee. They are talking to PA Connect to help with the website.

Matthew 25 Network No Report

Meeting Design Committee No Report. This will be the first of two meeting with Voice and Vote in person and online viewing only on Zoom.

Addictions Ministry They have been at a standstill this year due to Lee's McDermott illness. They will be meeting in the near future to continue the work that Lee began.

Healing Prayer Network

IPLF Steering

PRESBYTERY MEETING AGENDA

The proposed agenda for the January Presbytery gathering was presented. The outline of the worship will not be in the docket. The Introduction of First time commissioners will take place during worship before the passing of the Peace. After review and discussion, it was **Moved** by Cliff Foster and Gary Gilson **Seconded** and it was **Passed** to approve as presented with corrections.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

INTERCESSION

Prayer concerns were shared by members of the Council. A period of intercession was entered with various members leading in prayers for those requested needs.

ADJOURNMENT

Having lifted up in prayer particular shared needs and the work throughout the meeting, it was **Moved** Gary Filson and **Seconded** by Keith Langston and **Passed** to adjourn with our intercessory prayer. the meeting at 7: 48p.m.

December 2, 2025, Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Elder Len Morgan, Chair of Council, called the meeting to order at 6: 38 p.m. A quorum of members was established.

AGENDA APPROVAL

The distributed agenda was approved by **consent**.

DEVOTIONS AND OPENING PRAYER

Gary Filson led the devotions and closed with prayer. Gary shared that he had decided to have a Presbyterian Christmas tree this year, with everything done decently in order. Gary shared a visual display of three different colored Christmas bulbs and would not stay in the order he wanted. He reminded us that in the next few weeks we will be caught up in the busyness of this season. Sometimes “we get caught up in the spaghetti and we miss the main event” as the old quote goes. He reminded us of the words of Isaiah: “To us a son is given...” Gary Filson ended the devotions with prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the November 4, 2025, meeting were presented. It was **moved** by Glenn Hart and **seconded** by Laura Blank to approve these minutes. The motion was **passed**.

REPORTS

Moderator

No Report. Len thanked Gary Filson for his devotions. Len shared an email from Brenda Barnes: “Just a reminder that I am asking to be excused from the Council meeting on Tuesday as I am out of town. As I leave Council, this was to be my last meeting so I would like you to thank everyone for their grace and let them know how much I have grown as a leader watching all their examples in action. Thank you for the opportunity to be a part of such a robust group who want to show forth Christ's mission to our little part of the world - and beyond.

With regard, Brenda”.

Interim Executive Presbyter

There was a written report provided. The last couple of months have been dominated by General Assembly and Synod events. Lon pointed out that he has been working to have in all discussions to have all voices to be

respected. He is open to preaching and providing music at churches in the Presbytery. He ended his report with a poem by Joy Harjo "Once the World was Perfect". She is an indigenous poet.

Interim Stated Clerk

Rev. Cliff Foster, Interim Stated Clerk reported the following:

- The Correspondence Log
- 2026 dates and locations for the 2026 Presbytery Meetings.

The following invitations have been received to host the 2026 Presbytery Meetings: January 24 Westminster, Greensburg; March 24 Irwin First; May 26 Congruity; September 22 Pine Springs Camp; November 17 Grace Community, Lower Burrell. It was **moved** by Len Morgan and **seconded** by Keith Langston. This motion was **passed**

- The Council meeting dates for 2026 that were previously approved: January 13; March 3; April 28; June 23; August 25; October 27; December 1.
- Authorization and approval of various subcommittees, networks and task forces for 2026:

It was moved by and second by to approve the following:

a. Committees of Council:

Staff Support; Mission; Budget and Finance; Communications; Meeting Design Committee; Mission Subcommittee.

b. Networks:

Matthew 25 Network; Addictions Ministry; Healing and Prayer Ministry; IPLF; Geographic Districts – I. II. III. IV; Wee Kirk Planning Team; Lectionary Reading Group; Women Clergy; Presbytery Women.

c. Committees of the Committee on Ministry:

Examinations and Membership; Search and Call; Congregations and Leadership – Northwest – Districts I/II; Congregations and Leadership – East – District IV; Congregations and Leadership – South – District III

This motion was **moved** by Laura Blank and **seconded** by Glenn Hart. The motion was **passed**.

Treasurer Report

The following information is for your information:

For the Presbytery of Redstone General Fund Account and Investment Accounts, the following people are authorized as check signers: John Dickson, Presbytery Treasurer; Keith Langston, Presbytery Assistant Treasurer; Lon Weaver, Interim Executive Presbytery; Cliff Foster, Stated Clerk; Roberta Shaffor, Bookkeeper.

For the Wee Kirk account of Redstone Presbytery, the following people are authorized as check signers: Richard Noftzger, Wee Kirk Chairperson; Roberta Shaffor, Bookkeeper; Sue Washburn, Redstone representative.

For the IPLF account of Redstone Presbytery, the following people are authorized as check signers: Richard

Noftzger, IPLF Director; Craig Kephart, IPLF Coordinator; Roberta Shaffor, Bookkeeper.

Executive Director of Pine Springs Camp There was no report from Greg Davis, Executive Director of Pine Springs Camp.

SUBCOMMITTEES/NETWORKS/TASK FORCES

Staff Support.

Mission: There was a written report from the Mission Committee.

Budget and Finance:

It was **moved** by Cliff Foster and **seconded** Keith Langston by to engage Horner, Wible and Terek for the completion of the financial review for the year 2025. The motion was **passed**.

There was \$500 sent aside in the 2026 Budget for the Minister Assistance Fund. Lon Weaver reported that there may be people who will contribute to this fund.

Communications There was a written report from the Communications Committee.

Racial Justice and Reconciliation No Report.

Meeting Design Committee:

Laura Blank led a discussion on meeting format for 2026 and she asked what people’s experience of Presbytery Meeting attendance by Zoom.

The responses to that question were: There have been some difficulties with the Zoom meeting from a technological point of view, it is hard to hear some parts of the meetings; the worship services are an issue with the organ music and singing; problem with voting on Zoom, it happens too quickly; we need to make it a practice for everyone to speak into a microphone, so those on Zoom can hear; Is the chat feature works if someone monitors the chat feature; disheartening seeing how people are engaging the meeting, folding laundry, going to the bathroom while on Zoom, people unmuting themselves and speaking out of turn; people are not adept at using technology and feedback loop happening when someone is not muted; it is bitter to know how much work goes into providing Zoom; it is not like being in person, you miss the fellowship; participants don’t know the how to behave on Zoom and there needs to be some training; the moderator needs to remind people of the proper way to behave during the meetings.

Laura Blank then lead a discussion of the Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats. The results were:

STRENGTHS (Internal)

- Bad weather
- Illness
- Night driving
- Work commitments
- Those who won’t attend otherwise
- Most churches have some technology as does the Presbytery

WEAKNESSES (Internal)

- Technology unevenness
- Lack of fellowship
- Can’t hear music
- Inexperienced users
- Difficulty in voting
- Infrequent lack of repetition
- Locked into format

Affordability
Effort to include those on Zoom
Volunteers

Lack of standardization
Wifi signal strength
Volunteers

OPPORTUNITIES (External)

Folks who wouldn't attend otherwise
Inclusive of chronic illness
Lots of folks feel second nature
Untapped potential
AI meeting summary
Rethink the "main course not the spaghetti"
What kind of gathering is it

THREATS (External)

Lack of fellowship
Disengagement
Very few attend in person
Zoom bombing
Complacency
Collaboration

Laura Blank then asked about the Options for the Presbytery Meetings in 2026. By a show of hands of these who were in favor of the options:

Options

All Hybrid meetings (3)
All in person (3)
All on Zoom (0)
Non-participatory Zoom (6)
An either/or Mix/match meeting (7)

For the January Presbytery Meeting, it was **moved** by Cliff Foster and **seconded** by Glenn Hart to do a hybrid meeting. The motion **passed**. It was then **moved** to reconsider this motion by Gary Filson and **seconded** by Scott Cole. The motions **passed**. It was **moved** by Laura Blank and **seconded** by Norma Murphy to make the January meeting an In-person participation meeting with non-participatory Zoom observation-only available for the meeting.

It was **moved** by Gary Filson and **seconded** by Keith Langston to do the March Presbytery meeting as we are doing the January meeting and to reevaluate how these meetings worked at the April Council meeting. The motion was **passed**.

It was **moved** by Gary Filson and **seconded** by Keith Langston that the September meeting at Pine Springs be an in-person only meeting. The motion was **passed**.

Addictions Ministry

No Report.

Healing Prayer Network

No Report. They meet on November 11, 2025, and will be meeting on December 11 2025.

IPLF Steering

No Report

PRESBYTERY MEETING AGENDA

The proposed agenda for the Presbytery gathering was presented. The order of Worship will not appear in the docket because it is in the appendix. The Call to Order, the Formation of the Roll and the Seating of Corresponding Members will be first and then we will go into Worship. It was suggested to have the Introduction of 1st time commissioners to be included in the Worship Service before the Passing of the Peace.

As part of the Council Report, a discussion of the meeting changes will be discussed. After review and discussion, it was **moved** by Gary Filson and **seconded** by Glenn Hart to approve agenda as amended. The motion was **passed**.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Cliff Foster thanked those whose terms are finished on Council: Audrey Cottle, Brenda Barns, Don Glunt, Sue Washburn, Jack Battenhouse. He welcomed the new members who will be coming onto Council: Jack Battenhouse, Bernice Adams, Andrew Wirt, Molly Hall. He also thanked Len Morgan for his service as the Chair of Council.

Laura Blank will lead devotions at the January Council Meeting

INTERCESSION

Prayer concerns were shared by members of the Council.

ADJOURNMENT

It was **moved** by Gary Filson and **seconded** by Laura Blank to adjourn the meeting at 8: 25 p.m. The motion was **passed**. The meeting was closed with prayer including intercessions for those mentioned during prayer requests.

Committee on Ministry

Presentation and Action Items

- **No Action Item**

Information Items

January 8, 2026, Meeting

Election of the 2026 COM Moderator and Secretary. Rev. Dr. Martin Ankrum was nominated and agreed to continue on as Moderator and RE Lynn Mance was nominated and agreed to continue on as Secretary. It was **MSP** to close the nominations. It was **MSP** to elect Rev. Dr. Martin Ankrum as COM Moderator and RE Lynn Mance as Secretary for 2026.

Approval of this Evening's Agenda

MSP to accept and approve this meeting's agenda.

Approval of Minutes

MSP to approve the minutes of the November 6, 2025 meeting.

A 2026 Devotional Schedule was presented and members signed up to participate. The schedule will continue to be formed at the next meeting.

Report of the Stated Clerk

The report updated the committee on the following items:

- Recent Correspondence Log was provided.
- Minute Review dates were announced: Sat. Feb. 7- 9:15 am at Johnstown, Westmont; Tues. March 24- 4:30 pm at Irwin, First; Wed. April 22- 6:00 pm at the Presbytery Office; Tues. May 26- 4:30 pm at New Alexandria, Congruity.
- It was **MSP** to recommend to the Presbytery to accept the requests of Waiver of Rotation from Ebensburg for RE Rebecca Bracken and RE Amy Brulia.
- It was **MSP** to accept the Report of the Stated Clerk.

Report of the Interim Executive Presbyter the Rev. Dr. Lon Weaver

A written in-depth report from November 7, 2025 thru January 8, 2026 was presented and reviewed. Rev. Lon presented his writing entitled "Reading the Signs" with brief discussion.

It was **MSP** to receive and accept the Report of the Interim EP.

Report of the Moderator

- It was **MSP** to appoint Rev. Becka Abbott to Uniontown, Trinity as Moderator. It was **MSP** to appoint RE Robert Sheehan to Ebensburg, First as Moderator.
- It was **MSP** to approval the CP Contracts and agreements of RE Joshua Scully to Fayette City, Little Redstone PC; RE James Sunseri to Bolivar UPC and New Florence, Bethel UPC; and RE Karen Kifer to West Newton, Sewickley PC. CP James Sunseri's CP Annual Report was included in the meeting

packet.

- It was **MSP** to recommend to presbytery to approve the renewal of all current Covenant Pastors, Interim Pastors, Commissioned Pastors and Temporary Pastors for Pastors serving in "temporary pastoral relationships" pending submissions of agreement and adequate compensation (minimum terms of call prorated).
- It was **MSP** to accept with regret the resignation of RE David McMunn from COM (Class of 2027) following receiving his written request.
- The Ministry General Information Form of Trinity UP Church was included in the meeting packet.

Reports and Restructuring of Subcommittees

Examinations and Membership

- No meeting or anything to report.
- **MSP** to elect members: Becca Abbott, Martin Ankrum, Brian Kilbert and Travis Webster to stated subcommittee.

Search and Call

- No meeting or anything to report.
- **MSP** to elect members: Derek Campbell, Mary Kay Glunt and Chuck MacPherson to subcommittee.

Care of Congregations and Congregational Leaders

- The current Church Liaison List was reviewed and new liaisons were assigned. It will be reviewed again next meeting.
- Reviewed and discussed the Liaison Role. Liaisons are to use the Google Form for reports.
- Possible question for our congregational contacts: In what ways is your church discerning God's call? Rev. Lon will be sending out a tool kit on church discernment to each Pastor next week.

IPLF Program, Workshops, Ongoing Task Forces

- IPLF- Reformed Liturgy and Worship is the current study.
- District IV Enrichment Day will be held on 2-7-2026 at Johnstown, Westmont.
- Discussion on the Annual Pastor Retreat. Rev. Mary Kay Glunt agreed to lead the Pastor Retreat Task Force. Rev. Becca Abbott may help as well.

Other Business (Unfinished or New)

- None

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was **MSP** to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 PM with prayer offered by the Moderator.

The following Pastors were prayed for during this time: Dennis Macaleer, Chuck MacPherson, Becky Maiman, Lynn Mance, Gail Mason, Bruce Maxwell, David McCabe, John McClure, Lee McDermott and David McElroy.

The following churches were prayed for during this time: Trafford, Level Green; Uniontown, Tent; Uniontown, Third; Uniontown, Trinity United; Vanderbilt, East Liberty; West Newton, Sewickley; West Newton, Sewickley United; Adah, Palmer Community and Apollo, Poke Run

Committee on Preparation for Ministry

Action Items

- **No Action Items.**

Information Items

January 6, 2026, Meeting

Meeting opened in prayer by Geoff Rach

Geoff Rach volunteered to serve as the Committee chair for 2026. M/S/P.

Welcomed new committee members: Donna Havrisko, Jim Farrer, Danielle Kendig,

Committee members introduced themselves to one another.

Discussed why we feel called to serve on this committee and our responsibilities.

The Committee had not met since October 2025 so we spent some time getting everyone caught up on the latest regarding the people under our care.

- Candidate James Vlosich from Trinity, Uniontown is preparing to take the Worship & Sacraments and Exegesis ordination exams later this month. He continues to work on his statement of faith.
- James Sunseri reported that Bill Poninsky from Third, Uniontown fulfilled his wedding practicum for IPLF.

We will review our liaison assignments at our next meeting to make sure they are all covered for 2026.

Meeting was adjourned with prayer by Jackie Eckenrod.

Discussed holding hybrid meetings on Zoom and in person in the future.

Our next meeting is scheduled to be held on February 3, 2026 at 6:00 PM.

Interim Executive Presbyter

(Time Period: November 23, 2025 - January 23, 2026)

Opening Comments – The Ministry of Discernment

- “Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.”
- “Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge God who will make straight your paths” (Proverbs 3:5-6).
- “Seek first the kingdom of God and God’s righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well” (Matthew 6:33).
- “And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what really matters, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless...” (Philippians 1:9-10).

Attended worship:

- Maplewood Presbyterian Church, Greensburg (11/23)
- Calvin Presbyterian Church, Brownsville (12/21)

Preaching:

- Trinity United P.C., Uniontown (11/30)
- New Salem P.C. (12/28)
- Belle Vernon 1st P.C. (1/11)

Musician:

- New Salem P.C. (12/28)

Conversations:

- Deep Conversation: the prophetic tradition, the call to discuss the sources of cultural division , and the planning of conversations (11/24, 1/8, & 1/12)
- Meeting with long-time mentor Prof. Ronald Stone – retired, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary (11/26).
- Lunch with Pittsburgh Theological Seminary President Rev. Dr. Asa Lee (12/5)
- Two conversations on pastoral transition process (1/14)

Presbytery Gatherings/Meetings:

- COM Chair re: updating PNC materials (12/2)
- Council (12/2 & 1/13)
- Staff Support & Staff Christmas Lunch (12/4)
- Budget and Finance (12/6 – John Dickson, 1/7 – J. Dickson & Keith Langston; 1/15 -meeting with financial advisor, J. Dickson, & K. Langston)
- Committee on Preparation for Ministry (1/6)
- Communications (1/8)

- Committee on Ministry (1/8)
- Mission Committee (1/8)
- Healing Prayer Ministry (1/8)
- Mtg. Prepping for Nov. Presbytery Mtg w/ Moderator and Stated Clerk (week of 1/19)

Denominational Entities:

- Synod-Sponsored Coaching session with Rev. Youngsook Charlene Kang (12/11 & 1/6)
- Mid Council Leader Webinar - Boundary Training (1/6) & Trauma-Informed Care (1/20)
- Synod-Sponsored monthly meeting (1/21)

Ecumenical/Interreligious/Cultural:

- Christian Associates Mtg. at Calvary Episcopal Church, Shadyside (12/10)
- Presentation on 10.27 Healing Partnership at Jewish Community Center, Squirrel Hill (1/13)

Various Tasks/Interactions/Events:

- Completed the application for the “Fit for the Future” grant: Rethinking Community Ministries (12/21-12/31); Council approved submitting the application (1/13)
- Began preliminary thoughts re: a paper invited to present via Zoom for a workshop taking place in Vienna, Austria (1/2-1/5)