

The Presbytery of Philadelphia held its Stated Meeting at the Oxford Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on Saturday, July 23, 2022 at 11:40 A.M.

Prior to the meeting, Presbytery took part in two Pre-Presbytery gatherings, one being a conversation with the Commissioners to the 225th General Assembly, and the other on the proposed 2023 budget for the Presbytery.

The Presbytery at Worship

The Presbytery meeting began with worship at 10:00 AM led by 225th General Assembly Commissioners. During worship, the presbytery heard a sermon on Genesis 2:1-9 from Rev. Dr. Nathan Stucky (Director of the Farminary Project at Princeton Theological Seminary). A service of commissioning for Co-Moderator of the 225th General Assembly, Rev. Ruth Faith Santana-Grace (Executive Presbyter) as well as the youth headed to Montreat took place during worship. Music Ministry was offered by the musicians of the Salt and Light Church. The offering collected during worship of \$ _____ was collected and dedicated to the Presbytery's own Presbyterian Disaster Initiative.

The Presbytery was called to order following the benediction of worship at 11:40 A.M and convened with prayer by the Moderator, Reverend Ted Mingle (Lower Providence). Moderator Mingle began the business portion of the meeting by calling upon the Rev. Dr. Ethelyn Taylor (Oxford) to give the arrangements and welcome the body.

Moderator Mingle then called upon the Stated Clerk, Rev. Kevin Porter (Presbytery of Philadelphia, Stated Clerk) for his report.

From the **Stated Clerk** (Attachments A & S)
Reverend Porter submitted the following:

- Introduced the **Docket** for approval. The **docket was approved by the body as presented.**
- Introduced the **Consent Agenda** (Attachment A) for approval. The Presbytery **approved the consent agenda as presented.** Highlights include:
 - The necrology report of the saints of our Presbytery who have joined the church triumphant. If there were any omissions please contact the Office of the Stated Clerk.
 - Reverend Porter also lifted up the passing of the Rev. Dr. James Foster Reese.
- Reverend Porter also lifted up the Stated Clerks Report (S1-S3) which included the 2022 review of the 2021 Presbytery Minutes, which were approved without exception.
- Reverend Porter reminded the body that new business should be in his hands by noon.

Moderator Mingle subsequently called for upon our new Minister members Rev. Dr. Heather Shortlidge, and Rev. James Reisner as well as any first time Elder Commissioners, who were encouraged to message the office of the Stated Clerk to insure they are appropriately welcomed.

- Elders Larry Hambucht (Oxford), Julia Franklin (Oxford), and Nelson Bagby (Cedar Park) were welcomed.

At this time Moderator Mingle lifted up in prayer the **Rev. Jose Irrizary** who is the newly elected President of the Austin Theological Seminary.

From the **Leadership Collegium** (Attachment L)

At the conclusion of his report, Moderator Mingle shared the Leadership Collegium Report. He

highlighted the following:

- Reverend Mingle lifted up the installations of the Reverend Alex Evangelista at the Church on the Mall, as well as the Reverend Jeannine Frenzel at the Calvary Presbyterian Church.
- Reverend Mingle called upon the Commissioners to the 225th General Assembly to give a brief report of their time at the Assembly beginning with a video.
 - Elders Dave Huting (Philadelphia, First), Dave Sager (Doylestown), and Reverends Alex Evangelista (Church on the Mall), Peter Martin (Norristown, First), and Ruth Faith Santana-Grace (Executive Presbyter) shared their experiences at the first every hybrid General Assembly.
- Elder Jim Ballengee (Arch Street) was called upon to introduce the recipients for the first wave of the 2022 Covenant Fund Grants. Fox Chase Presbyterian Church and their artist in residency program and the Christian Association at the University of Pennsylvania ministries were awarded funds.

At the conclusion of his report, Elder Ballengee and Rev. Joyce Shin (Swarthmore) were invited by Reverend Mingle to give the report of the Commission on Ministry and Commission on Preparation for Ministry and Membership.

From the **Commission on Ministry and Commission on Preparation for Ministry and Membership** (Attachments C & P)

Elder Ballengee outlined the role of the COM and gave information on the importance and significance of chaplaincies in our communal lives in the Presbytery as well as information regarding the approved call of **Cassie Heintz** to serve as hospice chaplain for the Doylestown Home Health and Hospice.

Rev. Shin then shared the call and work the CPMM does on behalf of the Presbytery with our candidates, inquirers. She then called upon Mrs. Heintz who shared with the assembly a brief history of her background followed by the reading of her Statement of Faith. Following a time of questions and responses, **a motion to arrest the examination was received, duly seconded and approved.** Mrs. Heintz was then excused from the meeting and the Presbytery, **having received a motion to sustain the examination of Cassie Heintz for ordination, voted in the affirmative.** Mrs. Heintz returned to the meeting and Rev. Dr. Janel Dixon (Cedar Park) and the saints of the congregations in her life prayed over the candidate.

At the conclusion of the report, Moderator Mingle passed the chair to Elder Maffett who then called upon Elder Mike Henry (Valley Forge) to give the report for the Commission on Financial Management.

From the **Commission on Financial Management** (Attachment F)

After a brief explanation, Elder Henry moved the 2023 Presbytery Budget for approval. Seeing as it came from a Commission, as well as the Leadership Collegium, there was no second needed. **The Presbytery voted to approve the 2023 Presbytery Budget** as presented.

After the report of the Commission on Financial Management, Moderator Mingle called upon the Reverend Ruth Faith Santana-Grace (Presbytery of Philadelphia, Executive Presbyter) for her report.

From the **Executive Presbyter**

During her report, Reverend Santana-Grace lifted up the following, framing her comments with hope in the midst of lament.

- a word of congratulations and encouragement to the Reverend Jose Irrizary as he begins this new chapter on his journey as President of the Austin Theological Seminary.
- the visit to the Nanticoke community
- her time at GA
- uplifting the anti-gun violence movement within the Presbytery
- Reverend Santana-Grace ended her report sharing the video made by Reverend Porter for her election as Co-Moderator of the 225th General Assembly.

Seeing as there was no new business, Vice Moderator Maffett made a **motion, with proper second that was approved to adjourn the meeting with prayer.**

The meeting was closed with prayer, by Vice-Moderator Maffett at 1:11 P.M.

After the adjournment of the meeting, the Presbytery took part in a BBQ, outside with games, food, and fellowship.

The next stated meeting of the Presbytery to be held on Tuesday, November 15, 2022.

The financial offering of \$732 was collected and dedicated to the Presbytery's Presbyterian Disaster Initiative.

NEXT MEETINGS

The next Stated Meeting of Presbytery will be

Tuesday, November 15, 2022

2023 Stated Meetings of the Presbytery of Philadelphia

Saturday, January 24, 2023

Tuesday, April 25, 2023

Saturday, July 29, 2023

Tuesday, November 14, 2023

Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Philadelphia, July 23, 2022

Attendance Report:

Total Participants, 24 Visitors, 35 Total Elders, 35 Ministers.

Attendance

- 2 Elder Officers – Zandra Maffett (Valley Forge, Vice Moderator), Julia Hill (Yeadon, Temporary Clerk)

- 1 Former Moderator – Michael Henry (Valley Forge)
- 1 Commissioner to the 2022 General Assembly – Dave Huting (Philadelphia, First)
- 1 Staff – Jim Wagner (Business Administrator)
- 30 Elders Representing Churches

35 Total Ministers

- 35 Ministers of this Presbytery

Churches Represented by Elders

Abington: Chad Pilling, Geraldine Pilling
 Arch Street: Jim Ballengee
 Aston: Ruth Voss
 Bethel: Lewis DaCostok
 Calvary – Wyncote: Paul Hampton
 Carmel: Anne Newman
 Cedar Park: Nelson Bagby
 Chambers: Marilynne Hinkel
 Collenbrook – Nancy Krody
 Doylestown: Dave Sager
 Fox Chase: Theresa O’Connell
 Germantown, First: Contina Lee Lundy, Andrea Overton
 Gwynedd Square: Susan Barchuck, Becky Hunt
 Jeffersonville: Elisabeth Moise
 Oak Lane: Joan Clerk
 Oxford: Larry Hambucht, Julia Franklin
 Penn Wynne: Leslie Ann Bowman
 Philadelphia, First: Susy Christensen, Cynthia DeCruq
 Swarthmore: Marna Elliott, Eck Gerner, Patrice Smith
 Tabernacle : Mike Ehling
 Valley Forge: Joanne Henry
 Warminster, First: Vicki Chubb, Beth Straight

Churches Not Represented by Elders

Ambler, First	Concord Liberty	Grace, Jenkintown
Anchor	Crossroads	Holmes
Ardmore, First	Darby, First	Holy Trinity-Bethlehem
Beacon	Deep Run	Ivyland
Bensalem	Eddington	Japanese Christian
Berean	Elkins Park	Kensington, First
Bethesda	Falls of Schuylkill, First	Lansdowne, First
Beverly Hills	Flourtown, Springfield	Lawndale Holy Grace
Bryn Mawr	Forest Grove	Lenape Valley
Central-Norristown	Frankford	Leverington
Chestnut Hill	Germantown Community	Levittown, First
Christ’s Riverview	Glading Memorial	Llanerch
Christ’s Community	Gladwyne	Lombard Central
Church on the Mall	Glenolden, First	Lower Providence

Marple
Mayfair
Media
Memorial
Morrisville
Middletown
Mt. Airy
Neshaminy-Warick
New River
Salt and Light
Newtown
Newtown Square
Norristown, First
Norriton
Northampton
Northminster

Old Pine
Olney, First
Overbrook
Parkland
Church of Pakistan
Podowon
Port Kennedy, First
Pottstown, First
Rhawnhurst
Ridley Park
Roxborough
Southwestern
Suh Kwang
Springfield, First
Summit
Supplee

Temple
Thompson Memorial
TM Thomas
Tree of Life
Trinity- Clifton Heights
Trinity, Kensington
Tully
Wallingford
Wayne
Westminster Mayfair
Wissahickon
Wissinoming
Woodside
Wynnefield
Yeadon

Ministers Present

Ahn, Peter
Barge, Randy L.
Bateman, Rebecca
Betz-Bogoly, Cynthia
Campbell, Mindy
Choi, Wonjae
Colwill, Sarah
Dixon, Troy Janel
Dwyer, Judith
Evangelista, Alex
Fall, Susan
Fitch, Diane Jamison

Grant-Borden, Anna
Heffernan, Deborah Downs
Holland, Christopher
Irizarry, Jose
Lawrence-Caldwell, Melanie
LeClyuse, Megan
Marshall, Eustacia Moffett
Martin, Peter
McShane, Pamela J.
Mingle, Edward G.
Porter, Kevin
Santana-Grace, Ruth Faith

Scholdelmeyer, Kristopher
Shin, Joyce
Steinnagel, Schaunel
Taylor, Ethelyn
Terry, Greg
Thompson, Brenton E.
Thompson, Lewis Casey
Valentine, HR; Herbert
Wilkinson, John
Wotring, Timothy

Ministers Excused

Ballard, Brian
Bass, Jade King
Biederman, Robert N.
Blore, Christen
Bonwell, Raymond
Brown, Carla Jones
Bruce, Christine A.
Colee, Laura
Ferguson, Laura
Grimes, Jason

Grimes, Jason
Grunseich, Michelle
Hecht, Kathy
Kauer, Manuela
Lacroix, François L
Milligan, Fred
Mullis, Baron
Olson, Kari
Pedersen, Rachel
Pottorff, Franklyn

Roman, Kelly
Shortlidge, Heather
Somerville, Margaret
Stavrakos, P. Todd
Sulyok, Jeannine Frenzel
Sulyok, Peter
Sweet, John D.
Thomas, Jeanne
Watson, Deborah
Zambrana, Mary Kruse

Also excused were all H.R.s who were not in attendance in accordance with Presbytery of Philadelphia Bylaws Section 1.3(B).

Ministers Absent

Aikins, Kathryn
Ames III, G. Clayton
Arlyck, Matthew
Ashford, Stephanie Templin
Auxter, Mark S.
Balsan, Ryan Edward
Bell, Anita Miller
Blake, Rebecca
Bonner, James Edward
Brackett, Judith
Brecht, George T.
Britt, Jonathan
Brozyna, Marcie
Callaway, Christine
Carpenter, J. William
Cavicchia, Cara
Clark-Duncan, Anne
Cornelius, Taylor
Craver, Thomas L.
Davis, Gerard
Day, Katie
DeVries, Leigh
Dooner, Timothy
Dryden Jr., Foster C.
Earley, Barry J.
Ebersberger, Sue
Ehman, John W.
Evans, Michael J.
Eyre, Robert
Ezunkpe, Komlan
Farrell, Lisa
Farrell, Paul
Ferris, Jason R.
Fettig, Jonathan
Fong, Joanne Shum
Foote, Jerry Kay
Ford, Stephen T.
Ford, Wanda Larman
Friend, Elizabeth B. Ford
Garcia, Raymond E.
Golderer, William
Gomez-Saravia, Gadiel
Greyling, Jacobus P.
Griffith, Clyde E.
Gross, Strother
Hankel, Heidi
Hausser, Sherri
Hearlson, Adam
Hearlson, Christiane Lang
Heckman, Bailey
Hessel, Beth

Hill, Faith
Hill, Kirby Lawrence
Hoagland, Donald Clark
Hoglund, Douglas C.
Holmes, Julie
Holt, Charles
Hull, Sanford D.
Ireland, Kevin
Jacob, Robert A.
Jones, James Alexander
Kearney, Roberta
Khan, Shahbaz
Kibben, Margaret G.
Kim, Byung Il
Kirkpatrick, Rebecca
Kosinski, Lori Zang
Krajian, Joyce
Kroupa III, George
Larkin, David
Lee, Jieun
Lee, Ki Nam
Lee, Sung Dae
Lester, Jr., W. Carter
Lester-Abdalla, Alexander
Lyndaker-Studer, Mark
MacCullough, Bruce W.
Mairena, Adan
Markel, John S.
Martin, Joan
Massengill, Samuel E.
McClain, Keith
McKinney Jr., William P.
McPheeters, Douglas W.
Miller, Richard
Morgan, Marianne
Morganti, Steve
Morse, Daniel
Myers, Jeffrey T.
Na, Amy
Na, Kang-Yup
Nelson, Karen R.
Norfleet, Agnes
Ofosu-Donkoh, Kobina
Palmer, Langdon B.
Park, Anne
Park, Tae Moon
Pearce, Patricia
Pleim, Kurt
Poland, David M.
Porter, HR; Anderson E.
Poteet, Michael

Price, Donald
Pyrch, Cheryl
Quarles, Leah
Rappaport, Lydia
Reisner, James
Rhodes, Rachel
Rhone, Rhonda
Robinson, Graham
Rodgers, Andrea
Rogers, Robert J.
Roman, Kelly
Ross, Robert
Rossi, Ashley
Rusert, Abigail Visco
Russo, Brian
Sanchez, David E.
Searight, Sarah Cooper
Searight, William
Sexton, Pauline
Shaker, Sameh
Sharif, Kurshid
Sheetz-Willard, Julia J.
Shendge, Manisha
Shevel, Katherine
Shimada, Peter
Smyrl, Peter
Snyder, John A.
Speck, Jonathan
Stiffler, Flo Guynn
Stratton, Ruth Ellen
Stroup, Maria A.
Thomas, James
Timothy, Nancy
Tung, Arthur C.
Twitchell, Aaron
Wagner, Elizabeth
Wallace, Mark I.
Weed, Stephen N.
Williams, Faith
Willingham, John M.
Wilson, Henry S.
Wood, H. Stanley
Yu, In Kon