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Dear friends,

I look forward to gathering with you on February 21 at First Presbyterian Church of Martinsville for our first presbytery meeting of 2019. Will Robinson, pastor of Salem Presbyterian Church, will be our new moderator. We'll vote to advance one new candidate for ministry, Jen Brothers, a member of Second Presbyterian Church, Roanoke. Andrew Whaley, pastor of Raleigh Court Presbyterian Church, will be preaching, the first of a series of four young preachers in this year's presbytery assemblies. Several ruling elders will be commissioned to service in our presbytery's neighborhoods.

Mission Study conversations will continue as we give shape to our presbytery's future priorities and organization for ministry. With November's inclement weather, the Mission Study Team's report was delayed but will be given this month. We'll discuss what we've learned so far. We'll share the results of a demographic study. You will again have a chance to provide feedback during small group sessions with members of the Cabinet and/or Mission Study Team.

This promises to be a joyful day together! I hope you will come and give thanks with us for all that God is doing in our midst.

In Christ,

Melissa McNair-King

## Driving Directions to First Presbyterian Church, Martinsville

GPS Address: 1901 Patrick Henry Avenue, Martinsville, VA 24112

**From the East:** Take US 58 Business West into Martinsville until you see CVS Pharmacy on your left. Go to the next traffic signal (Papa John's Pizza is on the opposite corner on the right) and turn left onto Booker Road. Turn left at the end of the street onto Church Street Ext. The church is straight ahead at the end of Church Street Ext. on Patrick Henry Avenue.

**From the West:** Take US 58 Business East into Martinsville, which becomes Memorial Blvd., running concurrently with US 220 North. Following the signs for 58 East, turn right on Starling Avenue. \*At the end of Starling Avenue, turn right onto E. Church St. Go one block and go straight through the light onto Church Street Ext. instead of curving to the left with the main road. The church is at the end of Church Street Ext. on Patrick Henry Avenue.

**From the South:** Take US 220 Business North into Martinsville. *Follow the directions from \* above.*

**From the North:** Take US 220 Business South into Martinsville to US 58 East, turning left onto Starling Avenue. *Follow the directions from \* above*