# PRESBYTERY OF THE PEAKS

# **STATED MEETING**

May 6, 2023

# **Campbell Memorial Presbyterian Church**



# PRESBYTERY OF THE PEAKS SYNOD OF THE MID-ATLANTIC PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)

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# Presbytery of the Peaks Minutes of the 131st Stated Meeting May 6th, 2023 at 9:00AM Campbell Memorial Presbyterian Church, Vinton, Virginia

The MISSION of the Presbytery of the Peaks (approved 8/19) is building partnerships in Christ, to empower communities of faith to be the Body of Christ for the world.

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#### Presbytery of the Peaks May 6, 2023 Campbell Memorial Presbyterian Church

#### **Active Ministers of Word and Sacrament Present**

Kyle AllenGary MarshallJohn SalleyPhilip BouknightSarah MartinPete SmithBen BrannanBob McLaveyBetsy SotoPaul BrokawRuss MerrittKim Steinhorst

Beth Broschart Bea Miller Anghaarad Teague Dees

Linda Dickerson Leigh Ann Min Carl Utley
Susi Ennis Jonathan Moelker Chris Vogado
Isabella Fagiani Jim Moss Andrew Whaley
Jeff Garrison Mikel Pugh Morgan Whitfield

Keith Leach Dave Roberts Steve Willis

#### **Active Ministers of Word and Sacrament Excused**

Janet ChisomKim JeffreysEd SotoTerri CornwellElizabeth LinkPeter ThompsonAnnette GoardLisa MarshallAllison Unroe

Cheryl Peeples

**Brent Williams** 

Herndon Jeffreys Mark Rackley

#### **Active Ministers of Word and Sacrament Absent**

George Anderson Shawn Hyska Jude Swanson Sarah Wiles Rodney Wilson

Geoff Hubbard

#### **Honorably Retired Ministers in Attendance**

Glenn Coleman George Goodman Don Makin David Dickerson Tupper Garden Nancy Morris Bob Fiedler Bob Hall Jim Slate

Dusty Fiedler Skip Hastings John Wiederholt

#### **Honorably Retired Ministers Excused**

Nancy Dawson

#### **Ministers at Large and Validated Ministers Present**

Vernie Bolden Jen Brothers Kathy Carpenter Emily Rhodes Hunter Debra McKune

#### Ministers at Large and Validated Ministers Excused

Robin Williamson

#### Ministers at Large and Validated Ministers Absent

Ellen Anderson Todd Hester Chad McCain
David Baker Paul Johnson Amy Merrill-Willis
Steve Darr Jeff Kisner

#### **Commissioned Pastors Present**

Margie Anderson Michael Whorley

#### **Commissioned Pastors Absent**

Todd AtkinsNaomi Hodge MuseFelecia ParsellDiane BaldwinErik KoroneosJoyce PerezPhil BerryJan McGilliardKelvin PerryDick BoswellBill MeneeleyMike PriceRichard HendersonRobert MorrisTony Ward

#### **Cabinet and Committee Chairs Attending**

Smith Chaney Helen Dean Sue Bentley Howard Jennings Shelda Wills

#### **Voting Elders for Churches**

Altavista Kevin deBernard Appomattox PE David Simpsom Bedford John Blair
Campbell Memorial Rebecca Brooks
Chatham Kathryn Buck

Christiansburg Kathie Hollandsworth

Jackie Hall College First, Collinsville Kym Wiederholt Covenant Ginny Fedison Covenant Bruce Johnson Diamond Hill Lisa Dawson Drakes Branch Willie Pettus Farmville Andrew Payne Fincastle Sandy Gates Floyd Wanda Hylton Forest JoAnn Scott Jessica Brown Mallow First, Martinsville Sue Legg

McAllister Memorial Augustus Hayslett
New Concord John Lewis

New Dublin Jim Atway

Northminster Pam Claterbaugh
Pearisburg Michael Nevergold
Radford David Young
Raleigh Court Charles Gilliland
Peaneka Valley Gine Keknis

Gina Kaknis Roanoke Valley Salem Susan Burnett Salem Karen Nelson Fred Grear Second Martha Wheeler Second St. Andrew **David Anderson** St. Andrew Tiffany Wiley Trinity Ecumenical Parish Gael Chaney

#### **Visitors**

Richard Claterbaugh Northminster

Rebecca Hayslett McAllister Memorial
Gale Legg First, Martinsville

Sydney Nordt Salem

Ellen Pettus **Drakes Branch** Janet Rakes Blacksburg Tom Gisner Children's Home Campbell Memorial Roger Dalton Debby Havlik Campbell Memorial Gail Lester Campbell Memorial Campbell Memorial Brian Butler John McKune Trinity Ecumenical Campbell Memorial Betty Duff

#### **Visiting Ministers**

Randy Bremer Rachel Vogado

#### Churches Not Represented by a Voting Elder

Amherst **Falling Spring** First, Narrows Fellowship New Store Appomattox CH Arvon Fifth Avenue Northside Beale Memorial Forest Hills Oak Level Oak View Belmont Fork Union Gethsemane Old Brick Belspring Berry Hill Grace Old Concord Bethlehem Hat Creek Peaks

Blacksburg Hermon Phenix
Bluemont High Bridge Pisgah
Briery Holbrook St. First, Pulaski
Brookneal Jamestown Quaker Memorial

Browns Kayser Memorial Roanoke
Buchanan Kentuck Rocky Mount
Buffalo Low Moor Rough Creek
Clarksville First, Lynchburg Rustburg
Clifton Forge Madisonville Sinking Spring

Concord Mary Horner Walker Trinity, New Canton

ColonialMassies MillUnityCool SpringMayberryVillageCoolwellMaysvilleVillamontFirst, CovingtonMcAllister MemorialVirginia

Cumberland Meherrin West End
Danube Memorial Westminster
First, Danville Mercy Seat Williamson Memorial

Davis Memorial Mizpah
Douglas Montvale
Fairlawn Mt. Carmel

#### **Staff Not Counted Elsewhere**

Robin Padgett Julie Burnett Donna Garrison

# Presbytery Meeting Minutes-Presbytery of the Peaks May 6, 2023 Campbell Memorial Presbyterian Church Vinton, Virginia

The Moderator, Rev. Keith Leach, called the May 6th, 2023 stated meeting of the Presbytery of the Peaks to order at 9:06 AM. The meeting was opened with prayer.

Rev. Jonathan Moelker welcomed the presbytery to Campbell Memorial Presbyterian Church. The General Presbyter, Rev. Dr. Carl Utley offered greetings and introduced the presbytery to Rev. Dr. Don Makin, who will be serving as the Acting General Presbyter (note name change from COA report) during Rev. Utley's sabbatical this summer.

Moderator Keith Leach appointed Rev. Bea Miller and Rev. Don Makin to serve as tellers during the meeting. The Stated Clerk, Rev. Betsy Soto, presented the docket and the consent agenda for approval.

#### CONSENT AGENDA RECOMMENDATION ITEMS

#### **Report of the Stated Clerk:**

- **1. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** That the minutes of the One-hundred thirtieth Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of the Peaks (February 16, 2023) as reviewed by those persons designated by the Standing Rules, be approved.
- **2. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** That motions be reduced to writing and sent to the clerks' table before discussion.
- **3. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** That all committee reports be received.

#### Report of the Constitutional Ministries Committee (Bills and Overtures Subcommittee):

Our Bills & Overtures Committee reviewed the Proposed Amendments that were approved by the 225th General Assembly (2022) for a couple of weeks prior to our meeting in March. Each of the Amendments were discussed and voted on whether to include them for the Consent Agenda for the presbytery meeting in May and what the Bills & Overtures recommendations would be for approval or rejection. Out of the thirty-three amendments the committee selected four that we felt should be discussed on the floor of the presbytery meeting. If there are others that you feel need to be pulled from the Consent Agenda and discussed on the floor, you will have the opportunity when the Stated Clerk proposes the Agenda. The complete 225th General Assembly Handbook of Proposed Amendments to the Constitution can be found on the Presbytery Meeting Information webpage. The page numbers listed below reference this information.

#### **Foundations of Presbyterian Polity**

- 1. FOR CONSENT AGENDA: 22-A "men, women" to "all people ....all abilities..." (F. 1.0302c, p.3)
- 2. FOR CONSENT AGENDA: 22-B "men, women" to "all people ....all abilities..." (F-1.0404, p.5)

#### Form of Government

- **3. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-C Adds new section/renumbers subsequent to update Roberts Rules and adds provision for electronic meeting (G-1.0501, p. 7)
- **4. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-D Adds to Business proper or Cong. Meeting "receiving disciplinary decision against a member of the congregation as required by D-9.0102' (G-1.0503, p. 9)
- **5. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-F Adds to existing ability to allow receiving as member a new immigrant minister that lacks in educational history but adds presbytery should provide educational opportunities (G-2.0505a(1), p. 13)
- **6. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-G Require boundary training including, sexual abuse, child abuse prevention for Inquirers with recertification every 36 months (G-2.0603, p. 15)
- **7. FOR CONSENT AGENDA**: 22-H Session of Congregation of Care must report to Presbytery any sexual misconduct of Inquirer or Candidate (G-2.0605, p. 17)
- **8. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-J Clarifies that a Commissioned Ruling Elder may be commissioned to serve more than one congregation or validated ministry. (G-2.100, p. 22)
- **9. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-K Require boundary training including, sexual abuse, child abuse prevention for Commissioned Ruling Elders with recertification every 36 months (G-2.1002, p. 24)
- **10. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-L Same boundary training requirement for Certified Christian Educators (G-2.1103, p. 26)
- **11. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-M Sessions may adopt procedures for electronic meetings (G-3.0104, p. 29)
- **12. FOR CONSENT AGENDA**: 22-N Adopts Roberts Rules guidelines on electronic meetings (G-3.0105, p. 31)
- **13. FOR CONSENT AGENDA**: 22-O Manual of Administration Operations for each council must require boundary training including the topics of sexual misconduct and child abuse prevention with recertification every 36 months for all members of the council. (G-3.0106, p. 33)
- **14. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-P All councils shall adopt and implement a sexual misconduct, harassment, child and youth protection and antiracism policy. (G-3.0106, p. 34)
- **15. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-Q Regarding Minimum Compensation Standards adds include provision for dissolution of terms; also extends to cover pastors in temporary service and certified Christian educators (G-3.0303c, p. 36)
- **16. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-R Regarding Synod Commissioners: Synod may add commissioners to accomplish diversity (G-3.0401, p. 38)
- 17. FOR CONSENT AGENDA: 22-S Regarding Confidentiality: confidentiality is not an excuse to hold secret the knowledge of/risk of harm. Must hold in confidence all information except when the person whose confidence is at issue gives permission or when there is reasonable belief of imminent bodily harm. (G-4.0301, p. 40)

#### **Directory for Worship**

- **18. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-T Reference to when baptism may occur during worship (W-3.0205, p. 42)
- **19. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-U Adds the words when appropriate to invitation to baptism at time of Communion (W-3.0409, p. 43)
- **20. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-V Clarifies: the prayer following Communion may be given by someone other than a MWS (W-3.0414, p. 44)
- **21. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-W Changes "Members of Session lay on hands..." to "Signs and symbols of blessing may be conferred on the newly installed or commissioned person." (W-4.0403, p. 45)
- **22. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-X Regarding Household worship: adds a sentence affirming it as important to faith formation (W-5.0104, p. 47)
- **23. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-Y Stresses the significance of mealtime prayers in household worship (W-5.0104, p.48)
- **24. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-Z Adds language to emphasize communal discipleship in the church's practice of ministry and mission (W-5.0201, p. 49)
- **25. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-AA Expands the understanding of "pastoral care ministries" (W-5.0204, p. 51)
- **26. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-BB Adds language intended to offer perspective on the nature of healing and wholeness: that healing happens in a variety of ways and is not necessarily synonymous with physical recovery (per Rationale) (W-5.0204, p. 53)

#### **Rules of Discipline**

- **27. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-DD Grammatical change: "that person" to "they" (D-10.0302, p. 58)
- **28. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-EE Clarifies that person accused also is informed if IC determines no charges (D-10.0303, p. 60)
- **29. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** 22-FF Amending "the accused": changes "the accused" in current rules to "the person accused" throughout. (p. 62)

#### Report of the Administrative Commission for Peace Presbyterian Church

- **1. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** That the Trustees of the Presbytery of the Peaks be authorized to settle the disposition of the real assets of the church;
- **2. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** That the Peace Administrative Commission be dismissed, effective May 6, 2023

No items were pulled out of the consent agenda. Both the consent agenda and the docket were approved by consensus.

The presbytery moved into a time of worship, led by Rev. Jonathan Moelker and Rev. Isabella Fagiani. The sacrament of communion was celebrated and an offering of \$644.38 was collected for the Two Cents a Meal program.

#### REPORT OF THE CABINET

**RE Helen Dean** 

#### **INFORMATION:**

The Cabinet met in-person at Bedford Presbyterian Church on March 30, 2023.

#### **ACTIONS TAKEN:**

- 1. Approved the May 6th, 2023 assembly docket
- 2. Approved a recommendation to continue having conversations in committees and commissions about the adoption of the new structure, that cabinet may continue to evaluate and discern the best path forward for the Presbytery of the Peaks.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 1. That the presbytery rename the Pastoral Leadership Commission as the Commission on Ministry, with at least two subcommittees for Commissioned Pastors and Preparation for Ministry,
- 2. That the presbytery grant commission status to the current Examinations Committee.

Rationale: In the new Manual of Operations, the Presbytery tasked the Cabinet with an evaluation process. As part of ongoing conversations among committees and commissions, the Cabinet is continuing to hear and receive concerns raised by the new structure. The PLC and Examinations subcommittee have raised issues of process, recognizing that we already trust Examinations to do their work, and will simply approve as they recommend. The Cabinet trusts committees and commissions to bring these concerns to their attention, as the PLC did above, so that we can continue to do the work of Jesus Christ effectively.

The moderator led the presbytery through a vote on the cabinet's recommendation to rename the Pastoral Leadership Commission to the Commission on Ministry to help clarify the work of the commission. The motion was approved by consensus.

The moderator then led the presbytery through a vote on pulling out the current Examinations Committee and giving it Commission status, responsible for the examination of teaching elders seeking to enter the presbytery and for presenting candidates for ordination to the presbytery for examination. The motion was approved by consensus. The moderator then handed the meeting over to Vice Moderator, RE Kym Wiederholt.

#### REPORT OF THE PASTORAL LEADERSHIP COMMISSION

**TE Russ Merritt** 

#### **INFORMATION:**

- 1. Approved the 2023 Terms of Call of Installed Pastors as presented.
- 2. Recognition of recently retired pastors

#### ACTIONS TAKEN ON BEHALF OF THE PRESBYTERY

- 1. Approved the transfer of membership for Rev. Jennifer Powell to Transylvania Presbytery where she began work on January 15, 2023.
- 2. Approved the transfer of membership for Rev. Sarah Jane Nixon to Cincinnati Presbytery effective February 18, 2023.
- 3. Approved the renewal of commission for Phil Berry at Villamont Presbyterian Church effective Jan. 1, 2023 to Dec. 31, 2023.
- 4. Granted permission to Rev. Stewart Childress to labor outside the bounds of Peaks Presbytery while serving part-time at Buffalo Mountain Presbyterian Church in Abingdon Presbytery effective Jan. 1, 2023 to Dec. 31, 2023.
- 5. Approved the Temporary Supply contract renewal between Oak Level Presbyterian Church and Rev. Ronn McCracken effective Jan. 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023.
- 6. Approved the Part-time Stated Supply contract renewal between Westminster Presbyterian Church and Rev. Shawn Hyska effective March 1, 2023 to Feb. 29, 2024.
- 7. Approved the request of Rev. Paul Brokaw to dissolve his pastoral relationship with Clifton Forge Presbyterian Church on Dec. 31, 2023 due to retirement and grant him Honorably Retired Status at that time.
- 8. Approved the New Dublin Mission Study and granted them permission to form a Pastor Nominating Committee.
- 9. Approved the Stated Supply contract renewal between Fincastle Presbyterian Church and Rev. David Dickerson effective Jan. 1, 2023 to Dec. 31, 2023.
- 10. Approved the Parish Associate contract renewal between Rev. Emily Rhodes Hunter and Blacksburg Presbyterian Church effective Jan. 1, 2023 to Dec. 31, 2023.
- 11. Approved the Stated Supply contract renewal between Rev. Geoff Hubbard and Cool Spring Presbyterian Church effective Jan. 1, 2023 to Dec. 31, 2023.
- 12. Approved the Stated Supply contract renewal between Rev. Randy Bremer and Appomattox Presbyterian Church (PE) effective Jan. 1, 2023 to Dec. 31, 2023.
- 13. Approved to dissolve the pastoral relationship between Diamond Hill Presbyterian Church and Rev. Christy Mitchell effective Feb. 28, 2023. PLC also approved the transfer of membership for Christy Mitchell to Muskingum Valley Presbytery at that time.
- 14. Approved Rev. Susi Ennis as Session moderator for High Bridge Presbyterian Church effective April 1, 2023.

- 15. Approved Rev. Kim Jeffreys as Session moderator for Diamond Hill Presbyterian Church effective March 1, 2023.
- 16. Granted permission for Tom Gisner to serve Communion on April 2, 2023, but any further requests will not be granted without completion of the Worship and Sacraments online course offered through Union Seminary.
- 17. Approved the Interim Pastor contract between Rev. Tupper Garden and New Dublin Presbyterian Church effective immediately and for a one year period.
- 18. Approved the transfer of membership for Rev. Rachel Vogado from Western NC Presbytery to Peaks Presbytery as a Minister at Large pending a successful examination.
- 19. Approved Rev. Ed Soto as moderator of Old Concord Presbyterian Church effective March 9, 2023.
- 20. Approved to dissolve the relationship between Rev. John Salley and Bedford Presbyterian Church effective June 30, 2023 due to retirement and grant him Honorably Retired status at that time.
- 21. Approved the temporary supply contract between Rev. Rachel Vogado and Covenant Presbyterian Church effective from June 6, 2023 to Sept. 6, 2023 during Rev. Kyle Allen's sabbatical.
- 24. Approved the Campus Minister contract between Rev. Emily Rhodes Hunter and UKirk at Virginia Tech effective June 1, 2023.
- 25. Granted permission to Douglas and Bethlehem Presbyterian Churches to form a single PNC.
- 26. Approved for Rev. John Furman to serve as moderator of Falling Spring PC for a six month period with Rev. Susi Ennis serving as his mentor.
- 27. Granted permission to Bedford Presbyterian Church to form a PNC.
- 28. Approved the Stated Supply contract between Buchanan Presbyterian Church and Rev. Donna Britt effective June 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023.

Russ drew attention to the approved 2023 Terms of Call, and recognized five pastors who have recently retired: Rev. Michael Hickman, Rev. Don Makin, Rev. Janice Fraser, Rev. John Wiederholt, and Rev. John Salley. Those present were thanked for their many years of service.

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		20	023 Terms o		tors provided a		llowance				11	
		Base Cash	50% SECA	Housing +	Other	Total	BOP Effective	Total BOP	2023 TOC	Other	Cost to	% of
<u>Pastor</u>	<u>Church</u>	Salary	<u>@7.65%</u>	Utilities	Compensation	Cash	Salary	Dues	Rec'd	Payments	Church	Call
	Pastor provided				(See Note 1)					(See Note 2)	(See Note 3)	
2023 Minimum TOC	Housing	34,282	3,541	12,000	-	49,823	46,282	18,050		-	67,873	
Allen, Kyle	Covenant, Roanoke	49,677	6,593	36,511	_	92,781	86,188	33,613	yes	1,766	128,160	100
Anderson, George	Second, Roanoke - Pastor	77,629	10,201	54,990	730	143,550	133,349	52,006	yes	-	195,556	100
Brannon, Ben	Second, Roanoke - Assoc.	27,028	4,910	36,425	730	69,093	64,183	25,031	yes	_	94,124	100
Broschart, Elizabeth	First, Danville	35,979	5,667	38,099	730	79,745	74,078	28,890	yes	633	109,268	100
Chisom, Janet	Salem - Associate	16,626	3,842	24,000	9,600	54,068	50,226	18,584	no	-	72,652	100
Dees, Angharrad	Quaker Memorial	38,760	5,260	30,000	3,000	74,020	68,760	26,816	yes	688	101,524	100
Dickerson, Linda	Northside	37,813	4,901	25,000	1,252	68,966	64,065	24,985	yes	446	94,397	100
Ennis, Susi	First, Covington	38,325	4,569	21,400	1,232	64,294	59,725	23,293	yes	-	87,587	100
Fagiani, Isabella	Raleigh Court - Associate	45,213	4,836	18,000	_	68,049	63,213	24,653	yes	_	92,702	100
Garrison, Jeff	Bluemont & Mayberry	31,000	5,692	38,400	5,000	80,092	74,400	29,016	yes	_	109,108	100
Goard, Annette	Clarksville	39,132	4,026	12,298	1,200	56,656	52,630	20,526	yes	446	77,628	100
Jeffreys, Kim	Village (only)	10,330	867	1,000	1,200	12,197	11,330	20,320	yes/no	- 440	12,197	25
Jeffreys, Herndon	Brookneal/Phenix/Roanoke	28,211	2,963	9,640	877	41,691	38,728	15,373	yes	_	57,064	100
Link, Elizabeth	Second, Roanoke - Exec.	35,416	6,972	54,990	730	98,108	91,136	35,543	yes	_	133,651	100
Marshall, Elizabeth	Low Moor	17,154	1,770	5,987	730	24,911	23,141	13,814	yes	-	38,725	50
McLavey, Robert	Floyd	44,000	4,284	12,000	_	60,284	56,000	21,840	yes	_	82,124	100
Minn, Leigh Ann	Pearisburg	31,752	3,672	16,248	_	51,672	48,000	18,720	yes	_	70,392	100
Moelker, Jonathan	Campbell Mem & Wild Goose	41,282	3,541	5,000	_	49,823	46,282	10,182	yes	_	60,005	100
Moss, James	McAllister Memorial	35,560	4,097	18,000	_	57,657	53,560	20,888	yes	_	78,545	100
Peeples, Cheryl	Forest Hills	32,500	5,122	34,450	_	72,072	66,950	26,111	yes	_	98,183	100
Rackley, Mark	St. Andrews	65,500	5,011	-	_	70,511	65,500	25,545	yes	_	96,056	100
Roberts, David	St. Andrews	65,500	5,011	_	_	70,511	65,500	25,545	yes	_	96,056	100
Salley, John	Bedford	35,355		24,000	2,400	61,755	61,755	24,084	no	_	85,839	100
Smith, Peter	Farmville	32,626	4,944	30,000	2,000	69,570	64,626	25,205	yes	_	94,775	100
Soto, Eduardo	Altavista	25,744	3,622	21,276	324	50,966	47,344	18,464	yes	_	69,430	100
Thompson, Peter	First, Lynchburg	48,848	7,562	50,000	-	106,410	98,848	38,551	yes	1,448	146,409	100
Unroe, Allison	Fairlawn	32,036	4,287	24,000	_	60,323	56,036	21,853	yes	446	82,622	100
Vogado, Christopher	Salem	40,500	5,852	36,000	_	82,352	76,500	29,835	yes		112,187	100
Whaley, Andrew	Raleigh Court	69,547	7,233	25,000	_	101,780	94,547	36,873	yes	_	138,653	100
Whitfield, Morgan	Forest	-	-		_	,	-	-	no			100
Wiederholt, John	First, Collinsville	25,736	2,581	8,000	_	36,317	33,736	14,874	yes	-	51,191	70
Wiles, Sarah	Blacksburg	61,632	7,176	25,000	7,176	100,984	93,808	36,585	yes	4,816	142,385	100
Williams, Brent	Colonial	38,232	5,356	25,776	6,000	75,364	70,008	27,303	yes	-	102,667	100
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	sation that is included BOP Effective	•										
	ayments include additional SECA	<u> </u>						ce, utilities p	aid by the ch	urch.		
Note 3: Cost to Church	does not include travel reimburse	ment, continu	ing educatio	n or professio	nal reimbursem	ent expense	s for the pastor.				JCL; 4/6/2023	

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				2023 Terms	of Call for	Pastors with	a Church M	anse_					12	
							Manse		ВОР	Total	2023			
		Base Cash	Utilities &	Other	50% SECA	Total Cash	Rental	POP	Effective	ВОР	TOC	Other	Cost to	% of
<u>Pastor</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Furnishings</u>	Compensation	<u>@7.65%</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Escrow</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Dues</u>	<u>Rec'd</u>	<u>Payments</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>Call</u>
				(see note 1)								(see note 2)	(see note 3)	
2023 Minimum TOC	with Church Manse	33,750	-	-	3,477	37,227	10,485	1,200	45,435	17,720		-	56,147	
Brokaw, Paul	Clifton Forge	36,100	3,000	600	4,068	43,768	12,270	1,200	53,170	20,736	yes	_	65,704	100
Leach, M. Keith	College	43,080	-	-	4,434	47,514	13,374	1,500	57,954	22,602	yes	-	71,616	100
Marshall, Gary	Mallow	41,229	-	-	3,900	45,129	12,759	1,300	55,288	21,562	yes	891	68,882	100
Pugh, Mikel	Chatham	42,720	-	1,800	4,577	49,097	13,806	1,500	59,826	23,333	yes	-	73,930	100
Note 1: Other Comper	sation that is included	BOP Effective	Salary.											
Note 2: Other Church	Payments include addit	ional SECA pa	yments over 5	0%, optional d	lental or oth	er insurance,	utilities paid	by the chur	ch, etc.					
Note 3: Cost to Church	does not include the v	alue of the ma	anse, travel re	imbursement.	continuing e	ducation or p	rofessional e	xpenses rei	mbursement f	or pastor.			JCL; 4-6-23	

#### REPORT OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL MINISTRIES COMMITTEE RE Howard Jennings

Bill and Overtures Subcommittee Information:

The constitution of the Presbyterian Church (USA) consists of two parts – Part 1 is the Book of Confessions, Part 2 is the Rules of Discipline. The Church affirms "The Church reformed, always to be reformed according to the Word of God" in the power of the Spirit. When the General Assembly proposes amendments to the Book of Order, presbyteries have one year to approve or reject those changes. Due to the pandemic the General Assembly did not make any proposed amendments in 2020, which created the large number that we must discern at this meeting. Our Bills & Overtures Committee reviewed the Proposed Amendments that were approved by the 225th General Assembly (2022) for a couple of weeks prior to our meeting in March. Each of the Amendments were discussed and voted on whether to include them for the Consent Agenda for the presbytery meeting in May and what the Bills & Overtures recommendations would be for approval or rejection. Out of the thirty-three amendments the committee selected four that we felt should be discussed on the floor of the presbytery meeting. If there are others that you feel that need to be pulled from the Consent Agenda and discussed on the floor, you will have the opportunity when the Stated Clerk proposes the Agenda.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

#### 1-29. CONSENT AGENDA RECOMMENDATIONS (p. 1 packet)

30. 22-E: CATEGORIES OF MEMBERSHIP

Changing "Honorably Retired" to "Retired". Also strikes "because of age or physical or mental disability"

"G-2.0503 Categories of Membership A minister of the Word and Sacrament is a member of a presbytery and shall be engaged in a ministry validated by that presbytery, a member-at-large as determined by the presbytery, or honorably retired.

...... c. Honorably Retired Upon request of a member of presbytery, the presbytery may designate the member honorably retired because of age or physical or mental disability."

Background and Rationale, p.11

The Constitutional Ministries Committee does not recommend approval of this change.

The vice moderator led the body through the vote. Following discussion and a division of the house, the motion from General Assembly failed by a majority vote, counted at 24 in favor and 47 against approval of the amendment.

31. 22-I

ADDS requirement that terms of call include at least 12 weeks of paid family leave

"G-2.0804 Terms of Call The terms of call shall always meet or exceed any minimum requirement of the presbytery in effect when the call is made. The session shall review annually the minister's terms of call and shall propose for congregational action (G-1.0501) such changes as the session deems appropriate, provided that they meet the presbytery's minimum requirements. The call shall include *provision for a minimum of twelve weeks paid family medical leave and* participation in the benefits plan of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) including both pension and medical coverage, or any successor plan approved by the General Assembly."

Background and Rationale, p. 19

The Constitutional Ministries Committee **recommends** approval of this change.

The vice moderator led the body through the vote. Following discussion, the motion from General Assembly was approved by a majority voice vote of the presbytery.

32. 22-CC Allows a disciplinary process to continue after an accused has renounced jurisdiction (Advisory Committee on Constitution does not recommend)

"D-3.0106 When Jurisdiction Ends Upon Renunciation of Jurisdiction Jurisdiction in the The judicial process ends does not end when a person in an ordered ministry or a member renounces the jurisdiction of the church. Should the accused in a disciplinary case renounce the jurisdiction of the church as provided in G-2.0407 or G-2.0509, the clerk or stated clerk shall report to the council both the renunciation and the status of the matter at that time, including the name of the accused, and the date and fact of renunciation during an investigation or trial, and the charges filed. The judicial process shall then proceed per the Rules of Discipline."

Background and Rationale, p.55

The Constitutional Ministries Committee **recommends** approval of this change.

The vice moderator led the body through the vote. Following discussion, the motion from General Assembly was approved by a majority voice vote of the presbytery.

33. 22-GG New Church Discipline section (p. 64) would replace the entire existing "Rules of Discipline" and replaces it with a new section "Church Discipline."

The Constitutional Ministries Committee **recommends** approval of this change.

The vice moderator led the body through the vote. There was no discussion of the motion. The motion from General Assembly was approved by unanimous consent. The vice moderator then handed the meeting back to the moderator.

#### REPORT OF THE GLASGOW ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION RE Dave Anderson

#### INFORMATION:

- An Administrative Commission was formed at the Presbytery meeting to act on Presbytery's behalf, with the necessary power to dissolve the congregation and to position the assets of the congregation to support the Presbytery's ministry.
- Since its formation, the Administrative Commission has prayerfully done the following:
  - The Administrative Commission has secured the session records, congregational rolls and financial records for Glasgow Presbyterian Church.
  - The Administrative Commission worked with the remaining members, facilitating transfer of membership to other churches.
  - The Presbytery will celebrate the ministry of Glasgow Presbyterian Church at the May 6, 2023 Presbytery meeting.
  - The real property of Glasgow Presbyterian Church (church and manse) was transferred to Presbytery of the Peaks of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) effective April 4, 2023.
  - The Glasgow Church building and manse were added to the Presbytery of the Peaks property insurance policy.
  - The transfer of the financial assets of Glasgow Presbyterian Church was completed by March 1, 2023. The funds are currently held for maintenance of the property.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. That the Trustees of the Presbytery of the Peaks be authorized to settle the disposition of the real assets of the church;

The recommendation was approved by consensus.

2. That the congregation of Glasgow Presbyterian Church be dissolved, effective May 6, 2023 The recommendation was approved by consensus.

Dave Anderson provided a brief history and recognition of the Glasgow congregation, and the presbytery honored their many years of ministry.

#### REPORT OF THE HARMONY ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION RE Margie Anderson

#### **INFORMATION:**

- An Administrative Commission was formed at the Presbytery meeting to act on Presbytery's behalf, with the necessary power to dissolve the congregation and to position the assets of the congregation to support the Presbytery's ministry.
- Since its formation, the Administrative Commission has prayerfully done the following:

- The Administrative Commission has secured the session records, congregational rolls and financial records for Harmony Presbyterian Church.
- The Administrative Commission worked with the remaining members, facilitating transfer of membership to other churches.
- The Presbytery will celebrate the ministry of Harmony Presbyterian Church at the May 6, 2023 Presbytery meeting.
- The Administrative Commission assumed original jurisdiction of the Harmony Presbyterian Church session on February 9, 2023 in order to facilitate the property transfer to the Presbytery of the Peaks. Action reported to Presbytery at the February meeting.
- In the exercise of original jurisdiction, the members of the Harmony AC were appointed Trustees of Harmony PC. The Presbytery will seek court confirmation of the appointed trustees I ncluding authorization to reconvey the real estate of Harmony PC to the Presbytery of the Peaks of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Inc.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. That the Trustees of the Presbytery of the Peaks be authorized to settle the disposition of the real assets of the church;

The recommendation was approved by consensus.

2. That the congregation of Harmony Presbyterian Church be dissolved, effective May 6, 2023. The recommendation was approved by consensus.

Margie Anderson provided a history and recognition of the Harmony congregation, giving thanks for their century of ministry in Nelson County, and how that ministry will continue to live in the Massies Mill Presbyterian Church down the road.

#### REPORT OF THE CHURCH PARTNERSHIP COMMISSION

TE Isabella Fagiani

#### **INFORMATION:**

The Commission met on April 12, 2023 on a Zoom Meeting

Virginia Tech UKIRK Chaplain, Rev. Kathy Carpenter met with us and told us about plans for Virginia Tech's UKIRK ministry as she prepares to retire after 6 years. The new Chaplain has been selected but not announced as of the date of our meeting.

We heard follow up reports from previous Discipleship Grant Recipients:

a. Second Presbyterian and Raleigh Court – Single Overnight Retreat for Youth using the "Our Whole Lives' Curriculum

We heard follow up reports from previous Church Redevelopment Grant Recipients:

- a. Bedford Presbyterian Church's Way Forward Project
- b. Covenant Presbyterian Church's Community Bunk Bed Build

We heard a report about Wild Goose Ministry. We are updating our Grant Applications to reflect needs brought about by the change of committees to commissions.

We are working with Donna Garrison, Communications Director to develop a Grant Newsletter to let people know more about grants in our Presbytery.

We are working out commission logistics.

#### **ACTIONS REPORTED:**

- 1. Church Partnership Grants were awarded as follows: a. Mayberry and Bluemont "Centering and Soaring: Building Discipleship Vitality" \$1000.00
- 2. Re-Development Grants were awarded as follows:
  - a. Pearisburg Presbyterian Church "Music Ministry 2023" \$5000 Grant
  - b. Forest Presbyterian Church "Forest Presbyterian Church Lighting" \$4390 Grant

Participants from the Presbytery's CEDEPCA Mission Partnership Trip reported on their trip to Guatemala from April 17-23, 2023. They shared many pictures and stories about their time and the ministries that CEDEPCA supports to help the people of Guatemala.

#### REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK

**TE Betsy Soto** 

#### **INFORMATION:**

1. 2022 Annual Statistics of Churches summary reports is included on the following page,

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- **1. FOR CONSENT AGENDA**: That the minutes of the One-hundred thirtieth Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of the Peaks (February 16, 2023) as reviewed by those persons designated by the Standing Rules, be approved.
- **2. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** That motions be reduced to writing and sent to the clerks' table before discussion.
- **3. FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** That all committee reports be received.
- 4. That the docket and consent agenda be approved.

#### 2022 Presbytery Statistical Report

Presbytery	The Peaks			18
Address	PO Box 2519, Forest, VA 245	51		
Phone	434-845-1754	Fax	434-845-7829	
Email	office@peakspresbytery.org			
Web Site	www.peakspresbytery.org			
Membership				
Prior Active Members	10703	Adjusted n	nembership	10638
Gains		Losses		
Certificate	85	Certificate		79
Youth Professions	47	Deaths		241
Professions & Reaffirmations	73	Deleted for	r any Other Reason	401
Total Gains	205	Total Loss	ses	721
Total Ending Active Members	10122			
Baptisms		Average W	/eekly Worship Attendance	3366
Presented by Others	69	Friends of	the Congregation	1299
At Confirmation	4		ers on Session	585
All Other	8	=	ve Deacons? Yes / No	14 / 61
Age Distribution of Active Members			th Disabilities	
17 & Under	310	Hearing im		383
18 - 25	569	Sight impa		133
26 - 40	1133	Mobility im	pairment	393
41 - 55	1140	Other impa	irment	526
56 - 70	2278			
Over 70	2981	Gender Di	stribution	
Total Age Distribution	8411	Women		4886
		Men		3582
		Non-Binary	<i>'</i>	_1
Youth in Congregation				
Age 4 and under	191	Middle Sch	ool (6th – 8th grade)	205
Elementary School (K-5th grade)	410	High School	ol (9th – 12th grade)	272
		Total Yout	h	1078
Racial Ethnic				
Asian/Pacific Islander/South Asian	19	Native Ame	erican/Alaska Native/Indigenous	1
Black/African American/African	119	White		8037
Middle Eastern/North African	1	Multiracial		19
Hispanic/Latino-a	16			
		Total Racia	al Ethnic	8212
Budgeted Income	11,781,688			
Budgeted Expense	12,930,110			
Receipts				
Regular Contributions	11,789,330	Bequests		604,342
Capital Building Fund	2,385,747	Other Incor	me	1,870,461
Investment Income	1,310,579	Subsidy or	Aid	12,368
Expenditures				
Local Program	11,091,290	Investment	Expenditures	1,338,074
Local Mission	1,296,860	Per Capital	•	326,538
Capital Expenditures	3,716,785	Other Missi		442 702
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#### **Closing Business**

Stated Clerk, Rev. Betsy Soto, drew attention to the remaining reports in the packet which were not spoken on during the meeting. She reported that attendance for the meeting was 47 Teaching Elder members of presbytery, 2 Commissioned Ruling Elders, and 38 Ruling Elder Commissioners and Cabinet or Committee Chairs, for a total of 87 voting members. There were 18 visitors and staff not eligible to vote present, for a total attendance of 105 people.

Moderator Keith Leach gave a resolution of appreciation, giving special thanks to the hosts at Campbell Memorial and those who put the meeting together. He also gave thanks for being able to gather in person as a body.

The Moderator closed the meeting with prayer at 12:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Betsy Soto, Stated Clerk

#### REPORT OF THE JUSTICE AND MERCY COMMISSION

#### **INFORMATION:**

1. **CEDEPCA Mission Partnership:** Our mission representatives recently returned from Guatemala and will report briefly to our presbytery at our May 6 meeting. The mission travelers who represented Peaks Presbytery included Teresa Auldridge RE (Ruling Elder) Salem, Vernie Bolden TE (Teaching Elder) Fifth Avenue, Justice and Mercy Advocate, Linda Dickerson TE Northside, Beth Mattson RE Blacksburg, Pete Smith TE Farmville, Rachel Vogado MAL, and Chris Vogado TE Salem. When you see any of these mission travelers ask them to tell you more about the trip and our presbytery's mission partnership in Guatemala.

The mission trip was hosted by CEDEPCA (Protestant Center for Pastoral Studies in Central America), a highly respected mission partner of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and a long-time mission partner of Peaks. Providing life-giving Biblical foundation, CEDEPCA transforms lives through the training of Christian leaders, the education of lay pastors, and the empowerment of women. CEDEPCA also has a vital ministry that responds to natural disasters with emergency aid, pastoral care, and long-range planning for community redevelopment.

2. **Community Block Grants:** In March, the Justice and Mercy Commission approved \$40,000 for Community Mission Block Grants as recommended by the Mission Grants subcommittee. The community ministries which received the mission grants and the endorsing congregations are listed below.

<u>Organization</u>	Amount of Grant	<b>Endorsing Congregation</b>
Altavista Outreach and Enrichment	\$1500	Altavista PC
Blue Ridge Literacy	\$2000	Northminster PC
CASA of Central Virginia	\$2300	Amherst PC
Community College Ministries	\$2000	Pearisburg PC
Emergency Needs Task Force, Pulaski	\$2620	First PC, Pulaski
Family Promise of Greater Roanoke	\$2000	Salem PC
Free Clinic of Franklin County	\$2620	Trinity Ecumenical Parish
Grace Network	\$2000	First PC, Martinsville
Heart of Virginia Free Clinic	\$2000	Farmville PC
Helping Hands of Franklin County	\$2000	Trinity Ecumenical Parish
House of Bread	\$1500	Raleigh Court PC

Interfaith Outreach Association	\$2620	First PC, Lynchburg
Kids Soar Literacy Initiative	\$2000	Second PC, Roanoke
Literacy Volunteers of Campbell County	\$2000	Altavista PC
Presbyterian Community Center		
Pathways for Youth	\$2000	Second PC, Roanoke
Pulaski Free Clinic	\$2620	First PC, Pulaski
Safehome Systems	\$2600	First PC, Covington
SML Good Neighbors	\$1000	Trinity Ecumenical Parish
West End Center	\$2620	Raleigh Court PC

- 3. **Earth Care Mini-Grants:** Genesis 1:31 "God saw all that the Lord had made, and it was very good." Your congregation has an opportunity to apply for an Earth Care mini-grant in 2023. The Earth Care Ministry subcommittee has some funds available to encourage a congregation to start a new project in Earth Care, or expand an already existing Earth Care project. For more information, see peakspresbytrey.org and click the Ministry/Mission tab.
- 4. **Abukloi Secondary School, South Sudan:** Save the Date: on Saturday, May 20, Raleigh Court Church will host an informational meeting and celebration of the Abukloi Secondary School's ministry and vision. Angelo Maker, who is the founder of the Abukloi school, will be visiting Roanoke and presenting the inspirational program. We invite all from the presbytery to attend this gathering, but we especially invite the Roanoke neighborhood of congregations.

(On April 15, interested Presbyterians from the Southside Presbyterian neighborhood gathered in Danville to meet Angelo Maker and gracious South Sudanese friends of the school who provided delicious Sudanese food for the gathering!) The meetings are coordinated by the South Sudan Mission Subcommittee which is helping to connect congregations in mission. Other neighborhood gatherings are being planned to bring congregations and the Abukloi School together for information and inspiration..

Abukloi Secondary School is a Christian School in Rumbek, South Sudan, open to youth of all ethnic groups and all religious backgrounds. One third of the 600 students are female. The vision for the Abukloi School is to provide excellent Secondary education, and to provide a path for peace where students from rival ethnic and religious background can study together and learn to live together. You and your congregation are invited to meet Angelo Maker on May 20, and hear his faithful story about how Abukloi School can help South Sudan rebuild through educating its youth.

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION

#### **INFORMATION:**

The Committee on Administration (COA) met via Zoom on February 28 and April 25, 2023 via Zoom.

#### **ACTIONS REPORTED:**

- 1. The COA approved an international wire transfer of \$12,340 to Guatemala for the CEDEPCA Travel/Study Trip payment.
- 2. The COA approved a Communications Advisory group to provide input to the Presbytery Communications Director.
- 3. The COA performed annual personnel evaluations for the General Presbyter and Stated Clerk. Carl Utley provided the Personnel WG with summary information regarding the personnel evaluations completed with the Presbytery employees under his supervision.
- 4. The COA approved sabbatical leave for Carl Utley, General Presbyter. The dates for the sabbatical are May 22 through July 16, 2023.
- 5. The COA approved contracting with Don Makin, HR, to serve as the Temporary General Presbyter during Carl's sabbatical leave. The Temporary General Presbyter will be available in the office two days a week, attend committee/commission meetings as needed, serve as pastor to pastor when crises develop, and coordinate staff in its work for the Presbytery. The contract includes a stipend of \$1,000 a week and a total of \$2,000 in professional expenses.
- 6. The COA and Trustees will meet in May to continue the transition work required under the new Manual of Operations.

# The Presbytery of the Peaks Financial Position 03/31/22 & 03/31/2023

Beginning Balance	\$\frac{2022}{42,749.17}	\$ \frac{2023}{45,626.14}
Add Receipts:		
YTD Mission Receipts for GA, Synod, & Presbytery		
Covenants of Intents (Includes Unified & Per Capita)	97,172.17	78,048.01
Selected Giving, GA, Synod causes	33,941.55	16,941.17
Other Selected Gifts (excludes 2Cts, C A Partnership)	2,671.41	68,772.06
Camp Income	306.00	
Receipts from Presbytery Restricted Funds		2,000.00
Receipts from Constitutional/Admin Fund	50,000.00	100,000.00
Receipts from PLC/P'ship/J&M Fund	0.00	3,505.00
Interest Income	9.79	12.18
Current Assets less Liabilities	(2,127.58)	
Miscellaneous Income	1.00	0.62
Transfer Accounts	17,144.02	18,178.49
Total Receipts	199,118.36	288,476.11
Less Disbursements:		
Mission Funds to General Assembly	54,301.09	34,402.51
Mission Funds to Synod	3,230.46	2,653.66
Other In/Out Mission Funds Forwarded	2,671.41	70,141.36
Presbytery	142,781.59	168,653.28
Total Disbursements	202,984.55	275,850.81
Cash Balance 03/31/2022 & 03/31/2023	\$ 38,882.98	\$ 58,251.44

### Presbytery of the Peaks Income & Expense 3/31/2023

5/51/2025			
	Current		
	<b>Month</b>	$\underline{\mathbf{YTD}}$	Budget
Income			
Covenants of Intent	32,003.33	78,048.01	417,869
Mission Payments-Dismissed Churches			2,600
Designated Account Funding Budget	100,000.00	100,000.00	350,768
Designated Funding for Pastoral Leadership,			
Partnership, Justice & Mercy Commissions		3,505.00	178,659
Office Property Income			7,500
Two Cents a Meal Justice & Mercy Funding		2,000.00	8,000
Miscellaneous	7.46	12.80	100
Total Income	132,010.79	183,565.81	965,496
Cabinet			
Cabinet Expense	3.33	36.96	200
Presbytery Meeting Expense	21.00	135.13	1,500
Workgroup Expense		113.98	4,000
Committee on Representation			8
Total Cabinet Expense	24.33	286.07	5,700
Constitutional			
Moderator Expense			1,400
Stated Clerk	1,041.52	3,121.99	13,776
Nominating Committee		15.66	250
Session Records WG			200
Sexual Misconduct Committee			500
Synod Unified & Per Capita	900.00	2,247.00	12,844
GA Unified & Per Capital Giving	7,202.00	17,868.00	105,425
Total Constitutional Expense	9,143.52	23,252.65	134,395
Administration			
Commission Expenses			250
Communications Expense	52.50	513.80	4,600
Property Expenses (Trustees)	2,920.33	11,543.27	30,000
Office Expenses	1,206.00	4,442.59	18,310
Presbytery Office Equipment	,	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	2,500
Audit Expense			14,000
Staff:			1 1,000
General Presbyter	11,207.51	33,826.86	145,014
Church Leadership Ministry Specialist	4,960.66	16,186.25	70,608
Justice & Mercy Ministry Specialist	8,217.44	22,415.38	79,309
Administrative Support Staff	0,217.77	20,730.30	82,710
Accountant	6,643.06	19,929.18	79,789
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	<b>Month</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>Budget</b>
Communications Director	2,798.90	8,548.66	36,587
Temporary Help	215.30	376.78	2,000
Office Staff Expenses			550
Total Commission on Administration	45,131.80	138,513.07	566,227
Pastoral Leadership			
Commission Expenses	318.30	431.74	3,000
Grants Awarded			59,553
<b>Total Pastoral Leadership Commission</b>	318.30	431.74	62,553
Church Partnership			
CDC Expenses	0.06	182.55	1,000
Adaptive Church Project		793.77	3,600
Outdoor Education			3,000
Higher Education Expenses	11,772.50	11,772.50	47,090
Grants Awarded			59,553
Total Church Partnership Commission	11,772.56	12,748.82	114,243
Justice & Mercy Commission			
Justice & Mercy Commission Expenses	24.65	30.93	100
Education and Training			200
Community Outreach Grants	10,000.00	10,000.00	40,000
CEDEPCA			27,000
Grants Awarded	3,505.00	3,505.00	15,078
Total Justice & Mercy Commission	13,529.65	13,535.93	82,378
<b>Total Presbytery Expenses</b>	<u>79,920.16</u>	<u>188,768.28</u>	<u>965,496</u>
Total Net Income/(Expense)	\$ <u>52,090.63</u>	( <u>\$5,202.47</u> )	

#### The Presbytery of the Peaks Summary of Designated Accounts 3/31/2023

	Book Value <u>1/1/2023</u>	Market Value <u>1/1/2023</u>	Revenues	Expenses	Unrealized <u>Gain/(Loss)</u>	Market Value 3/31/2023	Book Value 3/31/2023
Constitutional, Trustee & Cabinet Fund	5,651,793.27	6,361,521.09	10,253.47	106,592.83	0.00	6,265,181.73	5,555,453.91
Pastoral Leadership/Partnership/Justice & Mercy	1,869,850.66	3,165,206.86	2.41	3,505.00	0.00	3,161,704.27	1,866,348.07
<u>Total</u>	7,521,643.94	9,526,727.95	10,255.88	110,097.83	0.00	9,426,886.00	7,421,801.99
Pass Through Funds	230,119.68	224,567.99	10,017.40	45,701.01	*	188,884.38	194,436.07
Two Cents	67,500.35	67,500.35	9,533.56	2,000.00		75,033.91	75,033.91
Peacemaking	3,299.92	3,299.92	29.40			3,329.32	3,329.32
Morris Trust	1.62	1.62				1.62	1.62
Burke Mem Vacation Fund	50,141.73	45,553.96	454.44			46,008.40	50,596.17
Transfer Funds	109,176.06	108,212.14		43,701.01		64,511.13	65,475.05
Presbytery Restricted	297,216.88	299,721.60	195,642.62	5,980.60	0.00	489,383.62	486,878.90
Black Caucus	73,006.10	66,431.12	8.10			66,439.22	73,014.20
COM	10,542.01	9,298.26				9,298.26	10,542.01
Church Redevelopment Grant	163,515.35	173,838.80	8.16	5,000.00		168,846.96	158,523.51
Peace Church/Wild Goose Ministry			195,626.36	980.60		194,645.76	194,645.76
Home Missions	5,684.84	5,684.84				5,684.84	5,684.84
Church Extension	41,918.58	41,918.58				41,918.58	41,918.58
Ministerial Student	2,550.00	2,550.00				2,550.00	2,550.00
Donor Restricted	69,019.25	69,019.25	940	*	38	69,019.25	69,019.25
Camp Scholarships	2,474.73	2,474.73				2,474.73	2,474.73
Camp Endowment	2,050.00	2,050.00				2,050.00	2,050.00
Candidates Scholarship	2,200.00	2,200.00				2,200.00	2,200.00
Home Mission	62,294.52	62,294.52				62,294.52	62,294.52
Total Pass Through & Restricted	596,355.81	593,308.84	205,660.02	51,681.61		747,287.25	750,334.22
Drechystory Total Funds	8,117,999,75	10,120,036,79	215 015 00	161 770 44		10 174 172 25	0 172 127 21
Presbytery Total Funds	0,117,999.75	10,120,030.79	215,915.90	161,779.44		10,174,173.25	8,172,136.21

#### REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION

Peace Presbyterian Church

#### **INFORMATION:**

- An Administrative Commission was formed at the May 7, 2022 Presbytery meeting to act on Presbytery's behalf, with the necessary power to dissolve the congregation and to position the assets of the congregation to support the Presbytery's ministry with Wild Goose Christian Community in Bonsack.
- Since its formation, the Administrative Commission has prayerfully done the following:
  - Since its creation, the Administrative Commission held ten meetings.
  - Since its creation, the Administrative Commission held three meetings with the existing session of Peace Presbyterian Church.
  - The Administrative Commission has secured the session records, congregational rolls and financial records for Peace Presbyterian Church.
  - The Administrative Commission worked with the remaining members, facilitating transfer of membership to other churches.
  - The Administrative Commission assumed original jurisdiction of the Peace Presbyterian Church session on October 19, 2022 in order to facilitate the property transfer to the Presbytery of the Peaks. Action reported to Presbytery at the November 17, 2022 meeting.
  - The Administrative Commission met with the Peace PC session on October 19, 2022 to explain the need to assume original jurisdiction. Follow up correspondence was sent to the session members indicating that original jurisdiction was assumed on October 19, 2022.
  - In the exercise of original jurisdiction, three members of the Administrative Commission were appointed Trustees to assist in the property transfer and the closing of the Peace Presbyterian Church, Inc. corporation. These Trustees were approved by the Botetourt County Circuit Court on December 7, 2022.
  - The Administrative Commission secured the property by changing the locks on the building.
  - The Administrative Commission met with Journey Church and Wild Goose Ministry, two current users of the church property to clarify building usage and expenses.
  - The Presbytery celebrated the ministry of Peace Presbyterian Church at the November 17, 2022 Presbytery meeting.
  - The real property of Peace Presbyterian Church was transferred to Presbytery of the Peaks of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) effective December 7, 2022.
  - The Administrative Commission met in December at the Peace Church building and with the assistance of Wild Goose Ministry and Journey Church disposed of moveable personal property not needed to carry out the current ministry at the church. A portion of the items were donated to churches within the Presbytery.
  - The Presbytery acted upon recommendation of the Administrative Commission to dissolve the congregation of Peace Presbyterian Church effective January 31, 2023.

- Two members from the Peace Administrative Commission met with representatives from Church Partnership Commission and Wild Goose Ministry to discuss the building usage and the orderly continuation of funding for the Wild Goose Ministry.
- The Peace Presbyterian Church, Roanoke Virginia, Inc. corporation was dissolved by the Administrative Commission effective March 15, 2023.
- The Peace Church building was added to the Presbytery of the Peaks property insurance policy.
- The transfer of the financial assets of Peace Presbyterian Church was completed by March 15, 2023. The funds are held for maintenance of the property and for the Wild Goose Ministry at Bonsack, in accordance with the Presbytery minutes of May 7,2022.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- **FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** That the Trustees of the Presbytery of the Peaks be authorized to settle the disposition of the real assets of the church;
- **FOR CONSENT AGENDA:** That the Peace Administrative Commission be dismissed, effective May 6, 2023.

Respectfully submitted by the members of the Peace Presbyterian Church Administrative Commission:

Roger Dalton, Linda Dickerson, Ginny Fedison (moderator), John Lewis and Don Makin

#### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

#### **INFORMATION:**

The Trustees met on February 22, March 7, and on April 12, 2023 via Zoom.

#### **ACTIONS REPORTED**

- 1. The Trustees accepted an offer for the purchase of the Glasgow manse for \$135,000. (Note: the persons making the offer rescinded.) The Trustees approved securing a realtor to list the property, pending Presbytery approval.
- 2. The Trustees authorized either Kelvin Perry, President or Helen Dean, Vice President to provide official signature on property transfer documents.
- 3. The Trustees reviewed and approved the Sales Contract for the purchase of the Presbytery Office for the negotiated cost of \$565,000.
- 4. The Trustees approved the transfer of \$10,000 as escrow deposit for the office purchase.
- 5. The Trustees appointed Kelvin Perry to be the contact person for the Trinity, Ridgeway property.
- 6. The Trustees approved Kelvin Perry and Helen Dean to meet with the Wild Goose leadership to determine building needs as related to the Peace property in Bonsack.

- 7. The Trustees approved Bob Berkley and Howard Jennings to begin work on the transfer of the Harmony church property, pending Presbytery approval.
- 8. The Trustees authorized payments as of January 31, 2023 to the churches of the Black Caucus for funds received in 2022 with regards to the sale of the Clarktown property.

#### REPORT OF THE BLACK CAUCUS

#### **INFORMATION:**

- 1. Meetings are being held on a monthly basis via Zoom
- 2. Nominations Committee is working to fill all officer positions prior to June
- 3. 47<sup>th</sup> Biennial Convention is being held on June 15, 16 and 17 in Charleston, SC. We are encouraging as many of our members to attend as possible.

#### **ACTIONS REPORTED:**

1. Program Committee recognized Ray Williams and Rev. Vernie Bolden for their leadership at a special luncheon on March 11 at Manny's Restaurant in Collinsville, Va. The article on this luncheon and recognition appeared in the Roanoke Tribune and was placed in Peaks Posting.

2. Seven Last words Program was on April 7 via Zoom with 36 people in attendance. Rev. Kelvin Perry, Program Chair worked with 7 ministers to participate: Elder Ray Williams, Elder Naomi Hodge-Muse, Rev. Bill Reinhold, Rev. Jane Johnson, Dr. Carl Utley, Rev Patricia Daniel, Rev. Calvin Dixon and Rev. Vernie Bolden. The ending prayer was given by Rev. George Wilson.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Continue to pray for the Caucus and the churches.

#### REPORT OF PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

#### **INFORMATION:**

- The Presbytery of the Peaks PW Spring Gathering will take place at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Lynchburg on Saturday, April 29. The day will include a presentation by Sarah Hyska, former missionary to Uganda; the special recognition of two individuals; some leadership training; a memorial service for those women who died in 2022; and a hands-on mission project. A full report of the Spring Gathering will be included in the packet for the August Presbytery meeting.
- The special book collection project that was conducted in lieu of last year's Spring Gathering has now been completed. Churches have reported a total of 743 books received for children in grades K-3!

#### **ACTIONS REPORTED:**

- The Coordinating Team continues to communicate with local PW groups by sending them a mini newsletter every other month.
- The 35th Annual Gathering of Peaks PW will take place on Saturday, September 23, at Second Presbyterian Church in Roanoke. More information will be available in the coming months.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. No recommendations

#### REPORT OF THE SESSION RECORDS WORK GROUP

#### **INFORMATION:**

- The Session Records Work Group continues to receive and review both past and current Session Minutes. Please see the following pages for the quarterly report showing the running record of Session Minutes submitted for review.
- Past or current sets of Session Minutes may be submitted for review at any time. Please note, however, that **2022 Session Minutes are due for review during 2023**. The Work Group reviews Session Minutes alphabetically by church name. The remaining schedule for the **review of 2022 Session Minutes in 2023** is as follows:
  - May 6 Churches with names beginning with J-O
  - August 26 Churches with names beginning with P-W
  - November 16 Churches with names beginning with A-C
- When the Presbytery of the Peaks is unable to meet again in person, churches are asked to EITHER mail hard copies of the Minutes (no binders, please), along with a completed "Session Records Review Form," to Shelda Wills, Session Records Work Group Chair, Christiansburg Presbyterian Church, 107 West Main Street, Christiansburg, VA 24073, OR email digital copies of the Minutes, along with the completed "Session Records Review Form," to <a href="mailto:swills@usit.net">swills@usit.net</a>. Contact Shelda with questions. Churches should NOT send Minutes to the Presbytery Office!
- Materials to assist Clerks of Session in their duties are available on-line through the Presbytery website at <a href="www.peakspresbytery.org">www.peakspresbytery.org</a>. Click on "Resources"; then click on "Forms & Documents"; then click on "Session Records" to view these materials. The "Session Records Review Form" is available there for download.

#### **ACTIONS REPORTED:**

1. The Session Records Work Group continues to review Session Minutes.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. No recommendations.

# ✓ = Session Minutes Received and Reviewed (as of April 24, 2023)

Name of Church	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Name of Church	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Altavista	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Covenant	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Amherst	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		Covington, First	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Appomattox CH	✓						Cumberland	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Appomattox PE		✓		✓	✓		Danube	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Arvon							Danville, First	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Beale Memorial							Davis Memorial						
Bedford	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		Diamond Hill	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Belmont	✓						Douglas	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Belspring							Drakes Branch	✓	✓				
Berry Hill	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		Fairlawn	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bethlehem	✓	✓					Falling Spring	✓	✓				
Blacksburg	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		Farmville	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Bluemont	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		Fellowship						
Briery	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		Fifth Avenue						
Brookneal	✓	✓	✓				Fincastle	✓	✓				
Browns							Floyd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Buchanan	✓	✓					Forest	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Buffalo							Forest Hills	✓	✓	✓			
Campbell Memorial	✓	✓		✓	✓		Fork Union						
Chatham	✓	✓	✓			✓	Gethsemane						
Christiansburg	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		Grace	✓					
Clarksville	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		Harmony						
Clifton Forge	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Hat Creek						
College	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		Hermon	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Collinsville, First	✓	✓					High Bridge	✓	✓				
Colonial	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		Holbrook Street	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Concord							Jamestown						
Cool Spring							Kayser Memorial	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Coolwell							Kentuck	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

Name of Church	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Name of Church	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Low Moor	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		Pulaski, First		✓				
Lynchburg, First	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		Quaker Memorial	✓	✓			✓	
Madisonville	✓	✓					Radford	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Mallow	✓	✓	✓		✓		Raleigh Court	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Martinsville, First	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		Roanoke						
Mary Horner Walker	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Roanoke, Second						
Massies Mill	✓	✓	✓	<b>\</b>	<b>\</b>		Roanoke Valley	✓	✓	<b>\</b>	✓	✓	✓
Mayberry	✓	✓	✓			✓	Rocky Mount	✓	✓				
Maysville	✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>		Rough Creek	✓					
McAllister Memorial	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		Rustburg	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Meherrin	✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	Saint Andrew	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Memorial	✓	✓					Salem	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓	✓
Mercy Seat					<b>\</b>		Sinking Spring						
Mizpah	✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>		South Boston, First	✓	✓	<b>\</b>	✓	✓	
Montvale	✓						Trinity, Arvonia						
Mount Carmel		✓	✓	<b>\</b>	<b>\</b>	✓	Trinity Ecumenical	✓	✓			✓	
Narrows, First							Unity						
New Concord	✓	✓					Village	✓	✓	<b>\</b>	✓	✓	✓
New Dublin	✓	✓	✓	<b>\</b>	<b>\</b>	✓	Villamont	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
New Store	✓	✓					Virginia	✓					
Northminster	✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>\</b>	✓	West End	✓	✓	<b>\</b>	✓	✓	
Northside	✓	✓	✓	<b>\</b>	<b>\</b>	✓	Westminster						
Oak Level	✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	<b>\</b>		Williamson Memorial	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Oak View	✓	✓											
Old Brick	✓	✓	✓	✓									
Old Concord	✓	✓	✓										
Peaks	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓							
Pearisburg	✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>									
Phenix													
Pisgah							Totals	85	82	60	57	58	22

### **Grand Total of Minutes Reviewed from 2002-2022 = 1,981**

<u>Total includes</u>: 115 (2002), 117 (2003), 117 (2004), 113 (2005), 122 (2006), 122 (2007), 117 (2008), 113 (2009), 107 (2010), 104 (2011), 102 (2012), 94 (2013), 91 (2014), 95 (2015), 88 (2016)

<u>Dismissed:</u> Bethel, Bouldin Memorial, Dublin, Elon, Falling Spring (Alleghany County), First (Roanoke), Galatia, Matthews Memorial, New Hope, Northminster (Madison Heights), Piedmont, Providence, Rivermont, Slate Mountain, Spring Garden (Danville area), Walker's. <u>Closed by Presbytery</u>: Clarktown, Covenant (Lynchburg), Laurel Grove. <u>Merged:</u> Green Ridge with Northminster, Shelton Memorial with Unity. <u>Dissolved:</u> Glasgow, Glen Wilton, Holmes Memorial, Peace, Trinity (Ridgeway).