

**PRESBYTERY OF WESTERN
NORTH CAROLINA**

GUIDE TO WORSHIP AND WORK



**ONE-HUNDRED TWENTY-THIRD
STATED MEETING
JANUARY 25, 2020**

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
MORGANTON, NC**

**123rd STATED MEETING
PRESBYTERY OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA
January 25, 2020
DOCKET**

- 9:00 Registration**
(If you do not sign in, you will not be counted as present.)
Orientation for New Elders **Charles Davenport**
- 9:30 Call to Order** **Lauren Vanacore**
Immediate Past Moderator
- Installation of Moderator and Vice-Moderator**
- Convene with Prayer of Invocation** **Dick Larson**
Moderator
- Welcome from First Presbyterian, Morganton** **John Hagmann**
- Appointment of Standing Committees** **Dick Larson**
Resolution of Thanks
- Bills and Overtures**
- Tellers**
Ruling and Teaching Elders from Host Churches
- Recognition of Elders Attending for First Time, Visitors and Corresponding Members**
- Certification of Quorum** **Cam Murchison, Stated Clerk**
Approval of Docket
- Consent Agenda** **A**
(Consent Agenda is a consent motion. Any commissioner may pull any item from the Consent Agenda for any reason. Simply state the item to be removed from the Consent Agenda and it will be dealt with as part of the committee report from which it was drawn.)
- Stated Clerk's Report** **Cam Murchison** **B**
(Work of the Clerk, Presbytery Meeting Dates, Administrative Commission Reports)
- Reports Submitted for Information and/or Included in the Consent Agenda**
- Nominating Committee** **I**
- Mission Committee** **S**
- Peace and Justice** **T**
- 9:55 Board of Pensions Update** *(5 minutes)* **Elizabeth Little**

10:00 Service of Worship, including Celebration of the Lord's Supper and Necrology

Pastor: John Haggmann

*(Combined Service - First Presbyterian, Morganton,
Green Street Presbyterian and Quaker Meadows Presbyterian)*

11:00 Speak Out *(5 minutes)*

(Opportunity to address the Presbytery for one minute or less, per speaker, on any suitable topic. No new business may be introduced at this point, but announcements, concerns, or opinions may be shared.)

11:05 General Council *(5 minutes)*

(Work of the committee, Presbytery Treasurer,)

Lauren Vanacore C

11:10 Sacred Trust Relational Boundaries Team *(30 minutes)*

(Consideration of the Child and Youth Protection Policy)

Team Members

Personnel Committee *(5 minutes)*

(Work of the committee, recommendation(s) from the committee.)

Don Scofield FF

General Presbytery Search Committee Update *(5 minutes)*

Patrick Johnson PP

Finance Committee *(10 minutes)*

(Work of the committee and Proposed Budget for 2020)

Charles Sellers BB

Christian Education Committee *(5 minutes)*

(Work of the committee and 2020 Spirituality Retreat.)

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Youth Committee *(5 minutes)*

(Work of the committee and upcoming Events)

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Committee on Ministry *(20 minutes)*

(Work of the committee, introduction of new ministers)

Welcoming: Tommy Brown, Jan Krouskop, Beverly Thompson
George Thompson and Lewis Galloway

**John Pea and
Bob Forsythe D**

Committee on Preparation for Ministry *(15 minutes)*

(Work of the committee, recommendation on moving Caitlin Johnson from Inquirer to Candidacy)

Dana Vaughn K

Report of the Acting General Presbyter *(2 minutes)*

Cam Murchison GP

Hunger Committee *(5 minutes)*

(Work of the committee and Nickel-A-Meal)

12:55 Prayers of Intercession

(Please submit requested prayers of intercession to the Stated Clerk's table before 11:00 a.m.)

Benediction and Adjournment

1:00 Lunch and Fellowship

(We encourage everyone to stay, share a meal and fellowship with other members of the Presbytery.)

Please note that Presbytery Standing Rules “do not” allow any distribution of materials at Presbytery meetings without prior approval from the General Council. Also, please turn off or silence cell phones during Presbytery worship times. Your cooperation is appreciated.

The General Council reaffirms its policy that there will be no photography, audio or video recording, including all electronic devices, during a Presbytery meeting without the prior approval of the Presbytery.

Attendance and Voting. Each teaching elder shall attend each meeting of Presbytery, and each congregation shall be represented by at least one ruling elder at each meeting. Congregations are entitled to ruling elder commissioners based on the following active membership (BO: G-1.0402), as shown on the most recent statistical report (*For the 2020 year, churches G through N are entitled to an additional elder. Please note that commissioner representation is based on active membership figures taken from the 2018 Statistical Report as figures are not available for 2019.*):

- 0 - 250 members - 1
- 251 - 750 members - 2
- 751 - 1250 members - 3
- 1251 - 1750 members - 4

Honorably retired teaching elders shall be welcome at all meetings, but their necessary non-attendance shall be excused.

To ensure approximate parity in numbers between ruling elder and teaching elder commissioners:

1. All members of the General Council and Committee on Ministry shall have voice and vote (if ruling elders).
2. All division, committee and sub-committee chairs shall have voice and vote (if ruling elders).
3. All Commissioned Lay Pastors shall have voice and vote.
4. All Certified Christian Educators, Certified Associate Christian Educators, and, in addition, other Christian Educators who have
 - earned at least a bachelor's degree (or its equivalent)
 - served in one or more educational ministries under the jurisdiction of a Presbytery (or one of its Sessions) for a minimum of two (2) years, and
 - been examined and recommended to Presbytery by the Christian Education Committee shall have voice and (if ruling elders) vote, provided that these privileges shall end, pursuant to BO: G-2.1103, when such persons are no longer serving in an educational ministry under the jurisdiction of the Presbytery (or one of its Sessions).
5. All ruling elder commissioners to the Synod Assembly and to the General Assembly shall have voice and vote as long as their terms last.
6. All exempt staff of Presbytery shall have voice.
7. All racial/ethnic congregations and other congregations designated by the General Council shall elect an additional ruling elder commissioner.
8. Only teaching elders who are active members (including honorably retired teaching elders) or members-at-large of Presbytery, as defined by the *Book of Order*, shall have voice and vote.

DATE	LOCATION	PACKET DEADLINE	POWERPOINT DEADLINE	OVERTURE DEADLINE
2020 Presbytery Meeting Dates and Deadlines				
Saturday, January 25	First Presbyterian, Morganton	Thursday, January 2	Thursday, January 9	Friday, December 28
Tuesday, April 28	Montreat Conference Center	Thursday, April 2	Thursday, April 9	Monday, March 30
Tuesday, July 28	Unity Presbyterian Church	Thursday, July 2	Thursday, July 9	Monday, June 29
Saturday, October 24	Waldensian Presbyterian Church	Thursday, October 1	Thursday, October 8	Monday, Sept 28
2021 Presbytery Meeting Dates and Deadlines				
Saturday, January 30	<i>Seeking Host Location</i>	Thursday, January 7	Thursday, January 14	Thursday, December 31
Tuesday, April 27	Montreat Conf. Center	Thursday, April 1	Thursday, April 8	Monday, March 29
Saturday, July 31	<i>Seeking Host Location</i>	Thursday, July 8	Thursday, July 15	Thursday, July 1
Tuesday, October 26	<i>Seeking Host Location</i>	Thursday, October 7	Thursday, October 14	Thursday, September 30

SESSION RECORDS REVIEW DATES - 2020

Saturday, May 9, 2020 ~ First Presbyterian, Morganton

9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. ~ Session Records Review

Thursday, June 13, 2020 ~ Canton Presbyterian Church, Canton

9:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. ~ Session Records Review

Saturday, August 22, 2020 ~

9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. ~ Session Records Review

Saturday, September 26, 2019 ~ First Presbyterian, Bessemer City

9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. ~ Session Records Review



Sacred Trust Relational Boundaries Training

Tuesday, April 28, 2020 (1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.) Montreat Conference Ctr.

Saturday, November 7, 2020 (8:30AM - 12:30PM) First Presbyterian Church, Morganton

For Pastors and Elders of the Presbytery: According to our presbytery's policy, clergy and elders involved in leadership are required to take sexual misconduct training once every four years.

For leaders of local congregations: The workshop is open for all local leaders who want to educate themselves about healthy boundaries.

Please contact the Presbytery Office to reserve a spot.



Annual
Statistical Report



ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT

Due February 14, 2020

The stat portal from the Office of the General Assembly is now active for you to complete our church's Annual Statistical Report for the 2019 reporting year. Access the report at: <http://oga.pcusa.org/stats>

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January

9	DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF POWER POINT PRESENTATIONS	
16	Christian Education	ZOOM
18	Church Leadership School	Morganton, First
20	Presbytery Office Closed – Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday	
25	123rd Stated Presbytery Meeting	Morganton, First <i>Morganton, First</i>

February

1	Church Leadership School	Morganton, First
3	Examinations Committee	Morganton, First
4	Committee on Ministry	Morganton, First
5	General Council Leadership Team	
12	General Council	Morganton, First
14	Church Statistical Report Deadline	
15	Church Leadership School	Morganton, First
17	Presbytery Office Closed – President’s Day	
18	GA Commissioner Training	Presbytery Office
19	Preparation for Ministry	Morganton, First
22	Nominating Committee	ZOOM & Presbytery Office
	Faith and Sexuality	Montreat
29	Church Leadership School	Morganton, First

March

2	Examinations Committee	Morganton, First
3	Committee on Ministry	Morganton, First
	Building Hope	Presbytery Office
4	General Council Leadership Team	ZOOM
6-8	High School Mission Retreat	Newton, First
11	General Council	Morganton, First
13-14	Christian Education Spirituality Retreat	Bonclarken
14	Church Leadership School	Morganton, First
17	GA Commissioner Training	Presbytery Office
18	Preparation for Ministry	Morganton, First
21	Church Leadership School (SNOW DATE)	Morganton, First
30	DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF OVERTURES FOR APRIL PRESBYTERY MEETING	
30	Examinations Committee	Morganton, First
31	Committee on Ministry	Morganton, First

April

1	General Council Leadership Team	
2	DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF REPORTS FOR APRIL PRESBYTERY MEETING	
8	General Council	Morganton, First
9	POWER POINT DEADLINE FOR APRIL PRESBYTERY MEETING	
10	Presbytery Office Closed – Good Friday	
18	Church Leadership School	Morganton, First
25	Youth Adventure Day	Camp Grier
	Joint GA Commissioner Training	TBD
28	124th Stated Meeting of Presbytery	Montreat Conf. Center
	Sacred Trust Relational Boundaries Training (1 p.m. – 4 p.m.)	Montreat Conf. Center

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