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## PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN OF THE PRESBYTERY OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA MODERATOR'S REPORT APRIL 25, 2023

Presbyterian Women of PWNC held a successful Spring Gathering on April 22, 2023 at First Presbyterian Church, Gastonia. We are grateful to Coleman Efird, PW Moderator, Gloria Hickson, Gathering Coordinator, and everyone at First Church, Gastonia, for the welcome.

PW business conducted included accepting the Treasurer's report and approving the 2024 PW Budget. The PW Faith Foundation award went to Mills River PW to assist in providing meals for Transformation Village and to the Brevard-Davidson River PW for their greeting card program which earns money for a non-profit preschool. A PW scholarship was awarded to Sarah Shiflet, a lifelong member of First Presbyterian, Gastonia. The Guatemala Microloan Task Force reported on continued work with Guatemalan women in funding microloans and providing entrepreneurship opportunities. New officers were installed, and women who entered the Church Triumphant in the past year were remembered. The recipient of the Spring Gathering Offering was "Off the Streets," a Gastonia program providing shelter and counseling for women suffering from addiction and abuse.

Our guest speaker was the Reverend Margaret LaMotte Torrence.

As part of my responsibilities in the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic, I chaired the Synod Scholarship Committee. We awarded scholarships of \$2500 each to three seminary students at Union, Richmond, Louisville, and Dubuque,

Corise H. Gambrell, Moderator

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