



GUIDE TO WORSHIP AND WORK

ONE-HUNDRED FORTY-THIRD STATED MEETING

Saturday, July 26, 2025

Virtual - ZOOM

**143rd STATED MEETING
PRESBYTERY OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA
July 26, 2025
DOCKET**

Registration should happen no later than 24 hours prior to the meeting, via response to the Zoom invitation if possible, otherwise by telephone.

9:00 Call to Order Ken Murchison, Moderator

Convene with Prayer of Invocation Ken Murchison, Moderator

Land Acknowledgment Ken Murchison, Moderator

Appointment Host, Co-Hosts & Standing Committees Ken Murchison, Moderator

Recognition of Elders Attending for First Time, Visitors, and Corresponding Members

Orientation

Certification of Quorum Ann Philbrick, 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 team report from which it was drawn.)

Stated Clerk's Report Ann Philbrick B

(Work of the Clerk, Presbytery Meeting Dates, Administrative Commission Reports)

Reports Submitted for Information and/or Included in the Consent Agenda

Malawi Mission	P
Engaging in Mission Ministry	S
Finance Team	BB
Building Hope	BH

9:30 Service of Worship, including Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Worship Leader: Rev. Cecelia "Cece" Armstrong, Co-Moderator of the PC(USA)

Preparations: In preparation for the Sacrament, we invite you to look through your own kitchen to find "bread and beverage." While there is rich symbolism in the elements we traditionally use to celebrate the Lord's Supper, the Church also has a long history of using the most fitting materials that are readily available in any given time and setting. Feel free to be creative and use what you have on hand.

10:15 Speak Out (10 minutes)

10:30 Coordinating Ministry <i>(10 minutes)</i> <i>(Work of the team/ministry)</i>	Dana Seiler	C
Dismissal of Union Presbyterian Church	Richard Boyce	
Youth Team <i>(5 minutes)</i> <i>(Work of the Team)</i>		Y
Report of Disaster Recovery Coordinator <i>(15 minutes)</i>	Anne Waple	X
Faith Formation <i>(5 minutes)</i> <i>(APCE experience)</i>	Esta Jarrett	
Commission on Ministry <i>(30 minutes)</i> <i>(Introduce new ministers and recommendations for Presbytery approval)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of Mike McCracken • Presentation of Allison Wehrung • Presentation of Rob Evans • Terms of Call for 2025 	Michael Poulos	D
Former West Asheville Church Property <i>(5 minutes)</i> (Property Conveyed to the Reparations Stakeholder Authority of Asheville)	Marcia Mount Shoop	
Report of the General Presbyter <i>(5 minutes)</i>	Byron Wade	GP
Prayers of Intercession		
Benediction and Adjournment	Ken Murchison	

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 2025 year, churches A through F are entitled to an additional elder. Please note that commissioner representation is based on active membership figures taken from the 2023 Statistical Report as figures are not available for 2024.*):

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

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 Coordinating Ministry, and Commission on Ministry Team shall have voice and vote (if ruling elders).
2. All division, team and sub-team chairs shall have voice and vote (if ruling elders).
3. All Commissioned 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 Faith Formation Team 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 Coordinating Ministry shall elect an additional ruling elder commissioner.
8. Only teaching elders who are active members (including 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
2025 Presbytery Meeting Dates				
Saturday, July 26	Virtual -ZOOM	July 3, 2025	July 10, 2025	June 30, 2025
Tuesday, October 28	Rutherfordton Presbyterian Church	October 2, 2025	October 9, 2025	September 29, 2025
2026 Presbytery Meeting Dates				
Saturday, January 31	Virtual - ZOOM			
Tuesday, April 28	Montreat Conference Center			
Saturday, July 25	Proposed Neighborhood Meetings			
Tuesday, October 27	First Presbyterian Church, Gastonia			

Calendar of Events

MEETINGS HELD BY ZOOM UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

JULY

24	Youth Team	
26	143rd Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of WNC	Virtual
28	Microloan Task Force	
29	Commission on Ministry Leadership Team	
29	Event – What Makes Your Church Tick?	Black Mountain Pres.

AUGUST

4	Examinations Team	
5	Commission on Ministry	
6	Coordinating Ministry Leadership Team	
12	Board of Pensions Retirees Luncheon	Upper Anderson
13	Coordinating Ministry	
20	Preparation For Ministry	First Pres., Morg.
23	Nominating/Representation Team	
26	Commission on Ministry Leadership Team	

SEPTEMBER

1	Labor Day – PWNC Office Closed	
	Examinations Team	
2	Commission on Ministry	
3	Coordinating Ministry Leadership Team	
6	Church Leadership School	
9	Validated Ministry Team	
10	Coordinating Ministry	
11	Personnel Team	
16	Foundation Round Table	
17	Preparation for Ministry	
20	Church Leadership School	
22	Microloan Task Force	
25	Faith Formation	
27	Youth Pathways Event	
29	Deadline for Overtures	
30	Commission on Ministry Leadership Team	

OCTOBER

1	Coordinating Ministry Leadership Team	
2	Presbytery Packet Deadline for the 144th Stated Meeting	
4	Nominating/Representation Team	
6	Examinations Team	
7	Commission on Ministry	
8	Coordinating Ministry	
15	Preparation for Ministry	
28	144th Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina	Rutherfordon Pres.