



To: Members of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina
From: Ann M. Philbrick, Stated Clerk
Date: July 15, 2025
Re: One-Hundred Forty-Third Stated Meeting of Presbytery

The quarterly stated meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina is quickly approaching. This meeting will be held on **Saturday, July 26, 2025**. It will be conducted by electronic means, using the ZOOM platform. This results in some significant changes in the way we will do our work.

REGISTRATION will happen electronically and in advance in order for you to have remote access to the meeting. Here is the link for registration:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/DriCmn6IR32C1E1Cxt6gnQ>

It is very important that each minister or Clerk of Session share this registration link with the commissioner(s) from your congregation. If the commissioner does not have a computer available, we ask you (either the minister or clerk of session) to confer with your commissioner(s) and complete the registration for them on your computer. Please answer all the questions that apply to the registrant. If a computer is not available to any of you, please call the presbytery office (828-438-4217) no later than July 22nd for assistance in registering—but the sooner the better. Deadline for registering is July 23, 2025.

Once you have registered, a return email will provide the link to join the meeting on July 26th. **Please save it where you can easily find it to join promptly no later than 9:00 a.m. that morning.** If you will be joining from a traditional telephone rather than by a computer or mobile device, you will find information in the return email about phone numbers that can be used, together with the Meeting ID and Passcode that will be needed. On the morning of the 26th, plan to join 10 or 15 minutes before the start time of 9:00 a.m. to make sure your equipment is working as expected.

Also, be especially aware that every individual should ideally enter the meeting on a separate device, whether computer, tablet, smart phone, or traditional telephone. This is primarily because each device will count as a vote when votes are cast. For optimal experience, a computer equipped with microphone and camera is best—but even a traditional telephone will work for audio only participation.

ORIENTATION will be brief, but necessary. So please plan to join the meeting at least by 8:55 a.m. to make sure your technology is working prior to our Call to Order at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 26th.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER requests should be communicated to the Stated Clerk by Wednesday, July 23, 2025 by emailing aphilbrick@presbyterywnc.org for inclusion in the meeting. Please use the same address and deadline to let the Stated Clerk know if you have something to share during **SPEAK OUT** on the docket.

ELDER REPRESENTATION - For the year 2025, the following 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** Annual Statistical Report.

0 - 250 members – 1
251 - 750 members – 2

751 - 1250 members - 3
1251 - 1750 members – 4

Arbor Dale
Asheville, First
Banner Elk
Belmont, First
Black Mountain
Brevard-Davidson Rvr.
Bridgewater
Brittain
Brittain's Cove

Bryson City
Buladean
Burnsville, First
Calvary
Canton
Cherryville, First
Columbus
Crossnore
Dallas, First

Dixon
Dorland Memorial
Dulatown
Etowah
Fletcher
Forest City, First
Franklin, First

FOR AN EXCUSED ABSENCE, e-mail rbuchanan@presbyterywnc.org or phone the Presbytery Office (828/438-4217) by Wednesday, July 23, 2025.

Please join us via ZOOM on Saturday, July 26, 2025 for the One Hundred Forty-Third Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of WNC. I look forward to seeing you all at the meeting.