

**852nd STATED MEETING  
OF NEW CASTLE PRESBYTERY**  
Meeting on-line via Zoom Internet Conference System  
Tuesday September 22, 2020

**Meeting begins at 4:00 PM**  
Online orientation/fellowship begins at 3:30 PM

## DOCKET

**3:30 PM MEETING SIGN IN BEGINS**

You are welcome to sign onto Zoom at any time after 3:30 PM to become familiar with the system and chat with your friends from Presbytery. Instructions for joining the Zoom call and for signing in will be posted on the Presbytery web site (<https://www.ncpresbytery.org/resources/docket/>).

**3:40 PM NEW COMMISSIONERS ORIENTATION *The Rev. Neta Pringle***

New Commissioners are invited join the meeting early to hear our Vice Moderator, The Rev. Neta Pringle share a brief orientation for commissioners. The “New Commissioner Orientation Booklet” is available to all for download on the Presbytery Meeting web page. The Committee on Coordination highly recommends that all new Commissioners review this material. Please share with new commissioners from your congregation. More experienced commissioners may also find it useful!

**3:50 PM ZOOM Orientation *Ruling Elder Bob Schminkey***

Rules for the meeting will be posted on the Presbytery web page and will be provided to people who are preregistered. At this time, the Stated Clerk will review rules for this meeting and offer tips on voting and being recognized to speak.

Please change your name on your zoom picture using the following guidelines.  
Minister Member of New Castle Presbytery: (Name) MWS (Church)  
Ruling Elder Commissioner: (Name) RE (Church)  
Other Ruling Elder Member of Presbytery: (Name) RE – (Committee)  
Guest (XXX) (Name)

The Stated Clerk asks for your patience and forgiveness as we move into the future with this new format.

***SPARKED BY GRACE TO TRANSFORM THE  
CHURCH FOR THE GOOD OF THE WORLD***

**4:00 PM CONVENING THE MEETING *Moderator Charles Collier***

Opening Prayer  
Declaration that a Quorum is present

*All are welcome at meetings of New Castle Presbytery, but please remember that only Minister members, Ruling Elder Commissioners, and Ruling Elder's serving as officers of the Presbytery have both "voice" and "vote" at presbytery meetings. The Moderator, with the help of the Stated Clerk, will recognize people to speak.*

**4:05 PM      ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE FIRST NATIONS      *Ruling Elder John Curtis***

In response to the Presbyterian Church USA repudiating the Doctrine of Discovery, the 223<sup>rd</sup> General Assembly (2018), approved several recommendations. One recommendation encouraged councils to begin their meetings with an acknowledgement of whose land they are meeting on.

**4:06 PM      WORSHIP      *The Rev. Tracy Keenan*  
*Missional Presbyter***

Our offering today is for the Peace and Global Witness Offering, one of the PCUSA's four "special offerings." Through a gift to the Peace and Global Witness Offering congregations are empowered to confront hopelessness, empowering congregations and individuals to become peacemakers themselves. To give, you may send a check made out to New Castle Presbytery to the presbytery office (1102 W. Church Road, Newark DE 19711), OR **right now to donate ON-LINE** at the presbytery web site (<https://www.ncpresbytery.org/resources/docket/>)

**4:30 PM      RECONVENE MEETING      *Moderator Charlie Collier***

**4:30 PM      CONSENT AGENDA      *Bob Schminkey*  
*Co-Interim Connectional Presbyter / Stated Clerk***

NOTE: Items for the Consent Agenda are collected and MOVED by the Stated Clerk to expedite routine business that usually does not require discussion and debate. All of these items will be included in one omnibus motion for a single vote unless there is a request to lift one or more out for separate action during the meeting. **If you have questions or would like to remove any item from the Consent Agenda, please contact the Stated Clerk prior to the meeting.**

The Stated Clerk **MOVES** The Consent Agenda, to:

- **APPROVE** the Minutes from the 851<sup>th</sup> Meeting of New Castle Presbytery held via Zoom on May 19, 2020.
- **APPROVE** the Minutes from the Special Called Meeting of New Castle Presbytery held via Zoom on July 14, 2020.
- **APPROVE** of the Docket for the 852<sup>th</sup> Meeting of New Castle Presbytery (this meeting).
- **RECEIVE** the Report of the Trustees and Financial Resources Committee and **APPROVE** the First Reading of the 2021 Budget.
- **APPROVE** recommendation from the Trustees that Per Capita remain at the same level for 2021 at \$29.80. (Includes \$8.93 for General Assembly, \$1.15 for Synod, and \$19.72 for the Presbytery)

- **RECEIVE the Report** of the Committee on Ministers and Congregations (COMC). NOTE: This report includes a request from Makemie Memorial that New Castle Presbytery approve an Administrative Commission with Original Jurisdiction for Makemie Memorial Church, to be appointed by the Moderator of Presbytery.
- **RECEIVE** the Report of the Connectional Presbyter Search Committee.
- **RECEIVE** the Report of the Stated Clerk

**NOTE:** All documents referenced in the Consent Agenda are posted on the Presbytery Meeting page of the Presbytery web site:

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## **DEVELOPING AND SUPPORTING LEADERS**

### **4:35 PM COMMITTEE ON MINISTERS AND CONGREGATIONS *Rev. Brad Martin***

- Memorial Minute for Rev. Jules Scheidel (5 min) *Rev. Caitlan Gartland*
- Recommendation for Mandated Dismantling Racism Training (Proposed policy attached) (10 min)
- Employment and Compensation Guidelines for 2021 (New Guidelines Attached) (10 min)
- Ministers to Welcome! (5 min each)
  - Rev. Amy Lawrence (Manokin)
  - Mark Piedmont-Silvoy – (Buckingham)
  - Rev. Nancy Anderson (Greenhill)
  - Rev. Jill Tolbert (Member at Large/Validated Ministry – Math Teacher in Queen Anne’s County Schools)

### **EXAMINATION OF SHANNON HANSON FOR ORDINATION (15 min))**

Having examined and prayerfully considered her call, The Committee on Ministers and Congregations is bringing Certified Ready to Receive a Call Candidate Shannon Hanson to be examined by the Presbytery. After the following motion is made, we will proceed with the examination.

**Motion:** COMC moves that, if the way be clear, New Castle Presbytery ordain Shannon Hanson as a Minister of Word and Sacrament to the validated ministry of Minister of Reconciliation; that she be received as a member of the Presbytery; and that the Moderator appoint an Administrative Commission to ordain her.

COMC would note that Ms. Hanson’s call to a ministry of reconciliation has been validated by the COMC. Information on her call is attached to our meeting documents, along with her Faith Statement and Faith Journey.

### **5:35 PM COMMITTEE THE PREPARATION FOR MISSIONAL MINISTRY *The Rev. Lyle Dykstra***

**EXAMINATION OF MATT WATERS.** The Committee is presenting Candidate Matt Waters to be examined by the Presbytery. After the following motion is made, we will proceed with the examination. (15 min.)

**MOTION:** The Committee on Preparation for Missional Ministry moves for New Castle Presbytery to Certify as Ready to Receive a Call, Candidate Matt Waters, as he continues on the journey towards ordination in the PCUSA.

**5:50 PM COMMITTEE ON REPRESENTATION AND NOMINATIONS *Caitlan Gartland***

**The Committee would like to place the following names in nomination to serve on Presbytery Committees and Offices:**

**Moderator 2021:** Neta Pringle, MWS, Honorably Retired

**Vice Moderator 2021:** Rourke Moore, CRE, Community

**Ignite, Class of 2022**

1. Stephen Bingham, RE, West Nottingham (2)
2. Hilary Livingston, MWS, Head of Christiana (2)
3. Duke Dixon, MWS, Dover (1)
4. Vivian Gyening, Olivet (1)
5. Laurie Loveless, MWS, Honorably Retired (1)
6. Paula Massie, Community (1)

**Committee on Leadership, Class of 2023**

1. Jerry Egger, MWS, Honorably Retired (2)

**Committee on Ministers and Congregations, Class of 2023**

1. Barbara Macfie, MWS, Honorably Retired (2)
2. Brenda Dean, RE, First & Central (1)
3. Carol Haas, RE, Concord (1)

**Committee on Preparation for Missional Ministry, Class of 2022**

1. Joel Tolbert, MWS, Chestertown (1)

**Committee on Preparation for Missional Ministry, Class of 2023**

1. John Dumas, RE, Dover (2)
2. Mark Douyard, CRE, Dover

**Trustees and Financial Resources Committee, Class of 2023**

1. Shannon Hanson, RE, First & Central (2)

**5:55 PM COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION *Bob Schminkey***

The Committee on Coordination nominates people to serve on the Committee on Representation and Nominations. The Committee nominates:

Class of 2023: Emma Horn, MSW Lower Brandywine (1)

Class of 2021:

Class of 2022:

**SPARKING MISSION PARTNERSHIPS**  
**AND NEW CHURCH INITIATIVES**

**6:00 PM**      **IGNITE COMMITTEE REPORT (30 min)**      *The Rev. Nona Holy and Friends*

- Ignite Grant Presentation (5 min.)
- New Worshiping Communities Video (10 min)
- Covid19 Workgroup (5 min)
- General Update (5 min)
- Ignite Survey - to help guide future efforts
- Unglued Final Report (10 min.)

**BEING GOOD STEWARDS**

**6:30 PM**      **TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE –**  
*Ruling Elders Shannon Hanson & Mark Olson*

- First Reading of the 2021 Budget
- Financial Update
- Per Capita Update

**6:40 PM**      **ADJOURN WITH PRAYER**      *Shannon Hanson*

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**NEXT STATED PRESBYTERY MEETING:**

Saturday, November 14, 2020 at 10 AM

The 853<sup>rd</sup> meeting will be held:

Live on Zoom