

Rev. Laura L. Lupton
Mission Coordinator - Western Community

February 2, 2022

Dear Clerks, Pastors and Elders of the West Community,

Our West Community Winter Missional Gathering will be on **Saturday, February 12**. The schedule for the day including Worship and a business meeting. The gathering is only via Zoom and we welcome elder commissioners, pastors and guests to register and attend.

Persons must register to get the zoom link. Please Pre-register by Thursday NOON, February 9. Use this link to register

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAode6ggTMrE9I3MhP44Eg6oTicHMWYZz5j>

This letter is the cover letter to the meeting packet you see below. If needed, please go to <http://presbycc.org/calendar/packets/> to download the packet. **NOTE: A report from the West Commission on Ministry** will be published by the Tuesday (2/8) on this same web page.

Each church's session should elect an elder commissioner *or* request an excused absence from this gathering. All pastors (who are not HR) and CREs are expected to attend or request an excused absence.

If you or your session need to request an excused absence, please email LauraLupton@presbycc.org with the request.

With Prayer and Appreciation for You,

Laura

Rev. Laura L. Lupton, Mission Coordinator

**Agenda Presbytery of Coastal Carolina Meeting as the West Community
February 12, 2022 Meeting Via Zoom**

**Rooted ~ Growing ~ Branching
Christian Formation ~ Congregational Vitality ~ Shared Mission**

Living as a connectional church in the Reformed tradition, we focus on

- *Connecting Congregations,*
- *Facilitating Shared Mission,*
- *Supplementing Christian Education and Youth Ministry,*
- *Empowering Leaders,*
- *Strengthening Congregations.*

Together living into the Great Ends of the Church.

Pre-Registration for Zoom is required by NOON Thursday, February 9. The Zoom meeting link will be sent by email only to pre-Registered persons. Registration and Zoom instructions are found at the end of this packet.

8:45 Sign-Into Zoom and Greet Friends in Chat /Live stream starts about 8:58

9:00 **Welcome & Call to Order** Rev. John Taylor, Facilitator

9:05 **Worship Time** – Rev. David and Rev. Sue Hudson

9:40 **Business Meeting** Rev. John Taylor, Facilitator

- Quorum will be based upon the pre-registration and number of Zoom participants
- Note: The recording clerk is RE Robert Gordon. Previous minutes have been approved and submitted to the Presbytery office.
- To be recognized to speak, please raise the digital hand and/or please use the chat feature

West Steering Committee Report

RE Wendy Tomczak, Chair

- 1) Report of the Steering Committee
- 2) Omnibus Motion (Consent Agenda) these items are before us as one item unless someone wants to discuss an item separately.

A) Approval of 2022 West Community Budget (see below)

B) Motion to set our next West Community Meeting Date:

Saturday, June 4, 2022 *host location needed*

Nominations Committee/Elections

RE Janet Brower Penn

– Nominations from the floor are permissible.

For the West Steering Team:

- Moore County: RE Wendy Tomczak Class of 2023
- Lee County: TE Brad Simpson Class of 2023
- Hoke County: (open) Class of 2022 or 2023
- Harnett County Ruby Campbell Class of 2023
- Vice Facilitator 2022: TE Barrett Payne (Harnett Co) (would be installed June 2022)

Commission on Ministry Highlights

Bucky Holmes or Linda Hayes, Co-Chairs

Sessional Records Review

RE Robert Gordon

- See below for the dates and locations

Mission Engagement & Resource Reports

- Youth – PYC - Triennium
- Camp Monroe (see below)

Ms. Jerusalem Martinez/PYC

Mr. Gene Joiner

Remarks from our Mission Coordinator

TE Laura Lupton

- Pastors' Retreat in May
- Pathways Grants for Elders
- Woodpeckers Ballgame Aug 26

A Word from the General Presbyter/Stated Clerk (5)

TE Jerrod Lowry, GP/SC

- **The annual statistical report packet for the clerk of session** was sent to the church in November in a brown manilla envelope. Papers are now past due to the Presbytery office and the online reporting must be completed by February 17.
- **Dates for upcoming Presbytery meetings and events are in this packet, please share with your session and congregation.**

Other announcements:

RE Alice Baldwin, Vice-Facilitator

Self Development of People – One Great Hour of Sharing

10:30 AM Motion to Adjourn with prayer

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord.

Business Meeting Information

Budget Proposal 2022 – West Community:

2022 Budget

Officer Training	\$ 600	
Confirmation Retreat 2023	2,000	
Mission Partnership	2,000	(Use TBD)
Scholarships for CRE Program	500	(\$100 available for RE to start Pathways)
Administration & Meeting	400	
Pastors Retreat- Camp Agape	1,250	Pastors Retreat,
Youth Triennium Scholarship	1,250	Scholarships based on need. \$100 up to \$300.
Total	\$8,000	

Other Notes and Notifications:

- **Report from the West Commission on Ministry** will be in a supplemental packet
- **Youth Triennium Applications are due this week.**
- **Help LEAD a Church – Enroll in Pathways to Leadership** offered by Union Presbyterian Seminary (see Flyer below)
- **NOMINATIONS & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** ~ Is there someone in your church that would like to be involved on a Presbytery Committee or on a committee of the West Community? These volunteers set the direction of Presbytery and help us fulfill our mission. If you, or someone you know is interested, please let me know. Leaders are also needed at the Synod level.
- **Officer Training was held by Zoom in January. Videos will be available soon YouTube.com**
- **Confirmation Retreat was held last weekend with approximately 35 attending**
- **The Supply Preaching** list is constantly being updated, please obtain a new copy every few weeks if you are seeking occasional preachers; at www.presbycc.org click on Directory

Thank you for your support of the Shared Mission of Presbytery and for sharing these invitations.

West Community ~ Session Records Review

Review dates for 2021 Session Records and previous years as needed.

- Sunday, March 20 at 3 PM- First Presbyterian, Carthage
- Sunday, March 27 at 3 PM- Camp Monroe,* Laurel Hill
- Sunday, April 3 at 3 PM- Mt Pisgah Presbyterian, Broadway

The locations and the review form will be emailed to the Clerks.

Clerks are urged be prepared for reviews on years from 2018 to 2021 if they have not previously been reviewed.

For questions call or email: Robert Gordon
910-215-6893 Gordlock44@yahoo.com

Committee: Robert Gordon
Edna Ann Loftus, Jim Cruickshank

* At the Camp Monroe review, clerks are welcome to come a half hour early or stay a half hour late to tour the camp with the director, Gene Joiner.



PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH TRIENNIUM 2022
July 24-27 • Indianapolis, IN

Every 3 years, the PCUSA partners with the Cumberland Presbyterian Church to host an international event for approximately 6,000 senior high youth. Historically, the event has been at Purdue University, but this year it will move to the Indianapolis Convention Center with delegates staying in nearby hotels. Registration for this event is done primarily through presbyteries and each has a limited number of spaces in their delegation (youth & chaperones).

Learn about the themes and speakers at presbyterianyouthtriennium.org

Applicants are considered for the delegation upon receiving an application **AND** deposit. If the delegate is not selected, the deposit is returned.

When: Saturday, July 23 - Thursday, July 28, 2022 (including travel time)

Cost: \$1,100* approximately (to include conference, hotel, meals, transportation, shirt & trading pins)

* Pending hotel rates, fundraising & COVID restrictions for group size

* Financial aid is available to cover a portion (not 100%). Churches should plan to assist their students.

Churches are encouraged to consider:

1. Will the youth delegate be 15 years old *or* no more than 18 on July 24, 2022?
2. Has the delegate attended Triennium in the past? Could they possibly attend in 2025?
3. How many delegates have applied from your church?

Churches are limited to 4 youth delegates per congregation

If spaces remain open, delegates are selected from a waiting list.

4. Does the student represent your church on the Presbytery Youth Council (PYC)? (*not required*)

February 15 → Application & \$200 Deposit

Request application by contacting Jerusalem Martinez: presbyccyouth@gmail.com

Checks made payable: Presbytery of Coastal Carolina ▪ Memo: PYT - [student name]

Mail deposit to: Presbytery of Coastal Carolina
807 West King Street ▪ Elizabethtown, NC 28337

Financial Aid is Available.

CAMP MONROE

Third Thursdays *New Program*

Active Older Adult Program

50 & Better

March 17th - Jewelry Making

April 21st - Watercolors

May 19th - Canoeing 101

Experience Camp Monroe again!
RSVP to the Camp Office (910) 276-1654.

10am-2pm

\$40 per person

Lunch Provided

Spring Break Camps

March 28-April 1 - Moore County
April 25-29 - Scotland, Richmond, Robeson, Hoke,
Cumberland Counties
\$150 Per Camper

Join Us!

Serve Day: May 22, 9am-2pm
Open House: May 29, 2pm-5pm



Summer Camp Registration Is Open!

Camperships Available
Register at: www.MonroeCamp.org

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES!

We are in search of:

Summer Counselors (Ages 18-22)
Summer Lifeguards (Ages 16-22)

Too old to join the summer camp but still eager for new experiences
anyway? Join our team as a camp counselor!
Apply at: <http://monroecamp.campbrainstaff.com>

SELF-DEVELOPMENT OF PEOPLE COMMITTEE

FEBRUARY 12, 2022

The Self-Development of People Committee of the Presbytery is now activated. The local committee consists of: Chairperson, **Alice Baldwin**, **Henry Cowan**, **Rev. Debra Patterson**, **Kim Williams**, **Rev. Fred Goins**, **Sue Wilson**, **Teresa Page** (co-opted), ex-officio: Rev. Clarence Page & Rev. Jerrod Lowry



The ministry of the Committee is to work with low-income communities to overcome oppression and injustice. Projects focus on advocacy; youth-led initiatives; skills development; farming; disabilities; immigration/refugee issues and capacity building. Through your gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing, projects in economically poor communities around the world have had an opportunity to develop solutions to their own challenges.

The Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People has been financially supported by the annual One Great Hour of Sharing, receiving approximately one-third of the receipts from this special offering. The remainder of the One Great Hour of Sharing offering is divided with Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) and Presbyterian Hunger Program (PHP).

One Great Hour of Sharing has provided Presbyterians a way to share God's love by providing support and by serving communities all over the world.



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 **ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING**
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT

One Great Hour of Sharing is the single, largest way that Presbyterians come together every year to work for **JUSTICE, RESILIENCE, and SUSTAINABILITY.**

Our gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing connect us with people finding their voice and accessing their God-given power. During Lent, we celebrate that God connects with us through Jesus' resurrection and connects us with those "who have the least" — that's how Matthew 25 puts it — and that's what One Great Hour of Sharing is all about. March 13, 2022, is recognized as Self-Development of People Sunday in the Presbyterian Church.

Please see the March Presbytery packet for more information about community projects and giving opportunity. Thank you for your generosity,

Alice Baldwin, chairperson, rbaldwin914@earthlink.net

West Community Upcoming Events and Meetings

West Community Gathering 1

- Saturday, Feb 12, by Zoom only
- Rev.s David and Sue Hudson leading worship
- Business meeting

Full Presbytery Meetings

- **Saturday, March 5, 2022** at First Presbyterian of Fayetteville and online via Zoom
- **Saturday, October 8, 2022**, at First Presbyterian of Sanford and via Zoom
- **Details online** at <http://presbycc.org/calendar/packets/>

Session Records Review Dates

- Sunday, March 20 at 3 PM- First Presbyterian, Carthage
- Sunday, March 27 at 3 PM- Camp Monroe, Laurel Hill
- Sunday, April 3 at 3 PM- Mt Pisgah Presbyterian, Broadway

Ministers' Retreat 2022

- May 15-17 (Sunday to Tuesday)
- At Camp Monroe
- Details TBA

West Community Gathering 2

- Saturday, June 4 (Location TBA)
- Worship, Business meeting & Learning Opportunities

Presbyterian Church USA 225th General Assembly (2022) happens June 18 – July 9

Presbyterian Night at the Woodpeckers Ballgame

- Friday, Aug 26, vs Charleston Riverdogs
- Pastors tickets are covered.
- Other prices TBA and Details TBA

West Community GRANTS:

1. For Ruling Elders to start the Pathways Program at Union Presbyterian Seminary (\$100)
2. Mission Partnerships (TBA in June)

Winter West Community Gathering Zoom Instructions

Get Registered to Get the Link

You are invited to the Meeting of the West Community of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina - a Zoom meeting. **Saturday, Jan 30, 2021**, Zoom Opens at 09:10 AM (The call to Order is 9:30AM)

The time is now to preregister. Registration is REQUIRED to get your **personalized zoom link**.

Pre-Register for this meeting, now at:

Register in advance for this meeting using this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAode6ggTMrE9I3MhP44Eq6oTjcHMWYZz5j>

Deadline for registration is NOON Thursday, February 9.

After registering, your registration will be reviewed THEN you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. This review may take up to 3 days.

All participants including minister members, Ruling Elder commissioners, CREs, Chairpersons, Hispanic participants, and invited guests and staff may register for the Zoom interactive meeting.

Additional observers and guests will also be able to see the meeting live streamed on Facebook www.facebook.com/presbycc

ZOOM CONNECTION GUIDE:

Thank you for registering for the West Community Gathering! Please help make this a productive and efficient meeting by following these guidelines.

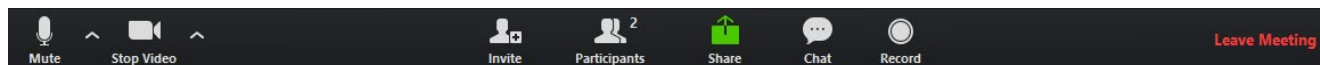
1. Prepare & Practice.

- a Have headphones or speakers, have a microphone, a webcam is optional.
- b Know how to turn the volume up/down so you can hear.
- c Please be sure your version of the zoom program is Up-To-Date by going to <https://zoom.us/download> and downloading the latest version.
- d If you are unsure of Zoom, you can go anytime to zoom.us/test then click JOIN then click Join with Video. You can test your connection and your camera.
- e Be familiar with these tips and instructions

2. You can access the meeting by using the link in your registration confirmation email. It is from Laura Lupton.
3. This meeting will be recorded and live streamed.

Using Zoom

In Zoom, you will see a control bar on your screen similar to one of these. If you do not see the control bar, move your mouse or tap your screen so that it will appear.



computer view



phone/tablet view

The following options are available:

- 1) **Mute:** The mute button toggles your microphone on and off. Once we move into the meeting portion, all microphones will be muted except when the moderator has recognized someone to speak. To activate your microphone when you have been recognized, press/click the mute button to unmute yourself. (If you have joined by phone, the mute function is controlled by pressing *6.)
- 2) **Chat:** A button at screen bottom also toggles an interface with a scrolling chat feature. You can type in remarks into the chat publicly with everyone in the meeting or privately with an individual attendee. You can use this chat area to ask questions or make comments during the meeting.
- 3) **Raise Digital Hand:** The raise hand feature will be used for seeking recognition for speaking or to object to a motion.
 - a) To raise your virtual hand, click the Reactions button,
 - b) then press the "Raise Hand" button.
 - c) on some MOBILE apps you find "Raise Hand" under the ... More option of the menu

To Speak During the Meeting:

If at some point you wish to speak, press the "raise hand" button to indicate to the Moderator that you have something to say. The Moderator will recognize such individuals, send you a message to enable the mic, and then you will be un-muted temporarily to speak.

Voting:

Most voting for this meeting will be by unanimous consent UNLESS there is objection. Such objections can be made through the raise hand function. If no one objects, the motion passes. If there IS an objection to the motion, a full vote will be taken through the polling function.

Polling:

For some items, a poll question will appear on your screen and you will be asked to indicate yes or no or I'm not eligible to vote. If you are calling in on a phone, you may be asked to announce your vote, if the tally is close. Since the poll automatically counts the vote, the poll will be the final vote on a motion.