

Elder Ministries Committee Report to Presbytery

June 3, 2024

Information:

1. On March 19, 2024, The Committee recommended to the East Commission on Ministry that Ruling Elder Jeff Mizell of the Wildwood PC has completed all requisite tasks and is ready to be examined as a Qualified Ruling Elder (QRE).
2. Saturday, March 16, 2024 at the presbytery's office in Elizabethtown, continuing education was offered by Rev. Dr. Tim Verhey (St. Andrew's University) on the topic of "Calvinism vs American Meritocracy".
3. The committee is planning continuing education opportunities in the fall to offer training about preaching.

"Preaching with Energy, Intelligence, imagination, & Love": Ways to improve listener attentiveness and increase the retention of your key points.

This is an interactive learning time and participants will practice various techniques in small groups.

10 AM at the Presbytery Office. In-person only

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. T. Wes Moore, Chair

Presbytery of Coastal Carolina Dissolution of Horseshoe Presbyterian Church

Background

The Administrative Commission of the Horseshoe Presbyterian Church has worked closely with the Commission on Ministry and the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina to explore various options for their future as a congregation and have requested an Administrative Commission be formed to dissolve the congregation.

Therefore, the Horseshoe AC, with original jurisdiction, moves the following **action items**:

1. That the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina approves the dissolution of the Horseshoe Presbyterian Church on a date to be determined by the Administrative Commission on July 22, 2024.
2. That the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina appoint an Administrative Commission (AC) to aid with this process and that this AC be made up of the following persons:
 - A. David Priddy, TE
 - B. Patricia Ramsden, TE
 - C. Sherry Garner, RE
 - D. Greg Spivey, RE
3. That the Moderator of Presbytery, Meg Dudley, be authorized to name an additional member or to replace one of these members if necessary.
4. That the AC be charged to wind up the affairs of the church, transfer the remaining member to another congregations, and plan a service of worship to celebrate the life and ministry of the congregation.
5. That the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina, Jerrod Lowry, be authorized to receive the Session Records, retaining those needed to wind up the affairs of the church and forwarding the others to the Presbyterian Historical Society for perpetual keeping.
6. That the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina, Jerrod Lowry, be authorized to grant letters of dismissal to the member if their name are still on the roll as of the dissolution of the congregation. Ordinarily this shall be accomplished within one year of the dates of dissolution from, the date of dissolution, July 22, 2024.
7. Under the provisions of the *Form of Government* (G-4.0203, and G-4.0205) all property of the Horseshoe Presbyterian Church is held in trust for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). The Administrative Commission of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina, elected on June 15, 2024, is authorized to take possession of all real and personal property, financial records, inventories of equipment, and arrange for transfer of title to the Presbytery of all accounts and real property known to be in the possession of the Horseshoe Presbyterian Church.
 - a. The AC will consult with the session regarding requests the congregation may have relating to the disposition of equipment and memorials and other property of the Horseshoe Presbyterian Church, and from the date of the action to approve the disposition of property or to arrange for its retention and storage for future use at the direction of the presbytery.
 - b. The AC (and/or officers of the presbytery corporation) are authorized to assert claim of the presbytery to any property of the Horseshoe Presbyterian Church not known at this time or property which may come to the Horseshoe Presbyterian Church as the beneficiary of a will or trust not known at this time.

- c. The claim of authority over the property of a dissolved church is based on the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) *Constitution* and this must be understood by those who make these decisions.
8. The AC will tend first to pastoral issues and then to the legal issues related to the dissolution of the Horseshoe Presbyterian Church following the attached guidelines as closely as practical.
9. At the conclusion of its work, the AC will report to the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina on its actions related to this commission.
10. Upon approval of the AC to dissolve, the AC with original jurisdiction will be dismissed with thanks.

Presbytery of Coastal Carolina
Proposed Agenda
June 15, 2024, Presbytery Meeting

1. 9:10AM Zoom will be accessible for fellowship
2. 9:30AM Call to Order and Opening Prayer Meg Dudley, Moderator
3. 9:36AM Appoint Standing Committees Meg Dudley, Moderator
(Attendance, Bills and Overtures, Thanks, and Temporary Clerks)
4. 9:45AM Adoption of Agenda (pg.68) Tim Havlicek, Chair
5. 9:50AM Stated Clerk's Report (pg.3) Jerrod Lowry, Stated Clerk
6. 10:00AM Morning Worship (pg.4) Kimberly Wagner
7. 10:45AM Mission Cabinet Reports (pg.5-15) Tim Havlicek, Chair
8. 10:55AM East Community Report (pg.16) Ben Burrows
9. 11:00AM Strategic Planning & Organizational Review (pgs.17-25) Steve Fitzgerald, Chair
10. 11:30AM Commission on Ministry (pgs.26-52) Jay Bender, Chair
11. 12:00PM Central Community (pgs.53-55) Barrett Ingram, Chair
12. 12:05PM West Community (57-58) Wendy Tomczak, Chair
13. 12:10PM Administrative Commission for Horseshoe PC (59-60 & 66-67) Patricia Ramsden
14. 12:25PM Attendance, New Business, Other reports Meg Dudley, Moderator
 - Presbytery Pastor Retreat Speaker Letter (pg.61)
 - Presbytery Pastor Registration 2024 (pgs. 62-63)
 - Special Offerings Report (pg. 64)
 - Elder Ministries (pg.65)
 - Synod Commissioners Report (pg. 56)
15. 12:30PM Thanks Austin Vernon
16. 12:35 PM Closing Prayer and Adjournment Meg Dudley, Moderator