

Presbytery of Great Rivers
COMPLETE DOCKET
August 29, 2020

The Mission of the Presbytery:
*“We are called to share Christ’s love
by partnering in service,
uniting in worship,
and risking in ministry”*

To access the meeting, you must pre-register by following the link below (see full instructions for virtual meeting etiquette under papers for this meeting on the presbytery website):

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwtd-igpzgpHtecuDrby34FCEnOy2_IEinE

SHARING CHRIST’S LOVE

Registration Time (9:30-10:00 AM)

CALL TO ORDER 10:00 AM

Acknowledgement of the Native American Heritage of our Gathering Sites

MWS Elissa Bailey

OPENING PRAYER

MWS Maura McGrath Nagle

Welcome and Instructions

Establish the Roll and Corresponding Members

- Establish a quorum
- Introduction and seating of new Teaching Elder commissioners
- Introduction of new Ruling Elder Commissioners
- Introduction of Corresponding Members

Approval of the Docket

Motion To Enter All Written Reports Into the Permanent Minutes.

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 100:1-2,4

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come into Divine presence with singing. Enter God’s gates with thanksgiving, and the Holy courts with praise. Give thanks to the Lord, bless God’s name.

MUSIC

PARTNERING IN SERVICE

Omnibus Motion

Leadership Team Report, Stated Clerk’s Report, Visioning Team Report

General Assembly Commissioners Report/Bills and Overtures Committee

Elder Penny Frame; MWS Chuck Goodman; Elder Diane Ludington; MWS Maura McGrath Nagle

End of Second Year Report of the Lead Presbyter for Transformation

MWS Ryan Landino

The Value of Accessibility, Representation, and Equity in Our Presbytery

Special Guest MWS Molly Casteel
Office of the General Assembly
Assistant Stated Clerk for Equity and Representation

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 4:15-16

“But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body’s growth in building itself up in love.”

30 minute break

UNITING IN WORSHIP

SCRIPTURE

Psalms 14:1-2, 7

O: Fools say in their hearts, “There is no God.”

M: They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds; there is no one who does good.

O: The Lord looks down from heaven on humankind to see if there are any who are wise, who seek after God.

M: O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion!

O: When the Lord restores the fortunes of his people,

M: Jacob will rejoice; Israel will be glad.

DISCIPLESHIP TIME

LPT Ryan Landino

Consider together: “Where have you felt closest to God since we last met?”

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 3:14-21 (NLT)

¹⁴ When I think of all this, I fall to my knees and pray to the Father, ¹⁵ the Creator of everything in heaven and on earth. ¹⁶ I pray that from his glorious, unlimited resources he will empower you with inner strength through his Spirit. ¹⁷ Then Christ will make his home in your hearts as you trust in him. Your roots will grow down into God’s love and keep you strong. ¹⁸ And may you have the power to understand, as all God’s people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is. ¹⁹ May you experience the love of Christ, though it is too great to understand fully. Then you will be made complete with all the fullness of life and power that comes from God.

²⁰ Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think. ²¹ Glory to him in the church and in Christ Jesus through all generations forever and ever! Amen.

MESSAGE

Deep Roots

MWS Matt Wilcox

MUSIC

Necrology Report

MWS Elissa Bailey

SCRIPTURE

1 Peter 5:10b-11

“The God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.”

RISKING IN MINISTRY

INVITATION TO OFFERING

MWS Ryan Landino

The focus of today's offering is the Peace and Global Witness Offering, a PC(USA) Special Offering. Please follow [<https://specialofferings.pcusa.org/make-a-gift/gift-info/peace-global-witness/>] to make an online donation. Under "Comments /Instruction /Name of Local Congregation" type in "Presbytery of Great Rivers Assembly August 29, 2020."

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Report from the Moderator

MWS Maura McGrath Nagle

Actions from the Administration Team

Elder Julio Garcia

❖ Treasurer's Report

Elder Bill Strawbridge

❖ Personnel Chair

MWS Ann Elyse Van Winkle

○ CLP Coordinator Report MWS Kathy Mitchell

Actions from the Committee on Ministry

Elder Kathie Whitson

Actions from the Committee on Preparation for Ministry

MWS Matt Wilcox

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 4:4-7

"There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift."

Report of the Nominating Committee

MWS Annie McMillan

NEW BUSINESS

(Not a time for announcements, this is a time for formal motions to be brought before the assembly.)

MUSIC

SCRIPTURE

Micah 6:6-8

"With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"

CHARGE and BLESSING

ADJOURNMENT

***The next Presbytery Assembly meeting will be Saturday, November 14, 2020.
We will again meet via Zoom.***