

Synod of Living Waters Assembly Report
January 28, 2019

After a brief orientation for first-time commissioners, the Synod of Living Waters gathered in the sanctuary of First Presbyterian Church of Franklin, Tennessee to be welcomed by the host pastor, the Rev. Chris Joiner, and for worship, communion, and the election and installation of the synod Moderator and Vice-Moderator. The synod then convened in Wilson Hall for its business meeting, which included the following:

- officer and commission reports
- greetings for the PCUSA Board of Pensions and the Presbyterian Mission Agency
- greetings from colleges and universities within the synod bounds and are Covenant Partners
- report on the Lombard Mennonite Peacemaking workshop
- report from Synod Presbyterian Women
- reports from synod standing committees
- report from Executive Director of Living Waters of the World
- expressions of appreciation for and celebration of Synod Executive the Rev. Terry Newland, who will be retiring on June 30, 2019
- election of commissioners to synod commissions and committees
- approval of restructuring of the synod to focused function (G-3.0404, *Book of Order*)
- approval of position description development and search process for synod executive, treasurer, and stated clerk. (This search process includes a special meeting of the synod to be called when appropriate.)

The 2019 Assembly of the Synod of Living Waters was adjourned with prayer by the Rev. Terry Newland.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Karen Hartsfield, Synod Teaching Elder Commissioner

Ginny Shanda, Synod Ruling Elder Commissioner