

**PRESBYTERY OF TRANSYLVANIA
COMMISSION ON REPRESENTATION
November 11, 2023**

The Commission on Representation shall be composed of six members who shall be nominated by the Coordinating Commission and elected by the Presbytery. It is tasked with an intentional purpose: to ensure the church’s commitment to inclusiveness and the principles of unity and diversity (per G-3.0103).

Current membership of the COR:

Chair, Mary Reed

1.	David Hoskins	Ruling Elder	Corbin	2024
2.	_____	Teaching Elder	_____	2024
3.	Jennifer Powell	Teaching Elder	Mt. Sterling	2024
4.	Mary Reed	Teaching Elder	Retired	2025
5.	Jean Harney	Ruling Elder	Danville	2025
6.	_____	Ruling Elder	_____	2025

Below is a roster of commissions, ministries and other positions within the Presbytery. Those in **bold print** are recommended for nomination:

MODERATOR

John Leggett	Teaching Elder	Lexington, Second	2024
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VICE-MODERATOR

David Whiteman	Ruling Elder	Winchester, First	2024
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STATED CLERK

Jerry Utt	Teaching Elder	Versailles, Troy	2024
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TREASURER

Nik Fegenbush	Ruling or Teaching Elder	Mt. Sterling, First	2026
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COORDINATING COMMISSION

Chair, _____

1.	Susan Bradish	Past Moderator	Ruling Elder	Versailles, Troy 2024
2.	John Leggett	Moderator	Teaching Elder	Lexington, Second 2025
3.	David Whiteman	Vice-Moderator	Ruling Elder	Winchester, First 2026
4.	Kathy Fish		Ruling Elder	Corbin 2024
5.	Melissa Sevier		Teaching Elder	Lexington, First 2024
6.	Lois Gaines		Ruling Elder	Versailles 2025
7.	Andrew Wood		Ruling Elder	Maysville, First 2025
8.	Jennifer Johnson		Teaching Elder	Ashland, Val Min 2026
9.	Martin Carver		Teaching Elder	Lexington, Hunter 2026

The voting members of the Coordinating Commission (CC) shall be: the current Moderator of Presbytery, the current Vice-Moderator of Presbytery, the immediate Past Moderator of Presbytery; and six other members of the Presbytery, formed into 3 classes of 2 each, with each class a term of three years, and nominated by the Commission on Representation and elected by the Presbytery at the annual meeting. The CC shall set forth mission directions, goals, objectives and priorities as it is guided by the Presbytery's Mission Statement, shall regularly review the Presbytery's Mission Statement, and, together with all Commissions and Ministries of the Presbytery, shall be responsible for coordinating the work of the Presbytery between its meetings and for ensuring that the decisions made by the Presbytery are carried out.

ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION

Chair, Bill Reed

1.	Jim Olive	Ruling Elder	Georgetown, First	2024
2.	Bill Reed	Ruling Elder	Lexington, First	2024
3.	Rachel Anderson	Teaching Elder	Validated Ministry	2025
4.	Kristy Ehlert	Teaching Elder	Validated Ministry	2025
5.	Anne Bolton	Ruling Elder	Lexington, Second	2026
6.	Michael Denney	Teaching Elder	Lancaster, First	2026

The Administration Commission shall be composed of six (6) members. The duties of the Commission shall include serving as the Trustees of the Presbytery, and having responsibility for Accounting, Budgeting, and Staff Services. The Treasurer of the Presbytery shall serve as an advisory member with voice and without vote.

CLOSING COMMISSION

Chair, Curtis Christian

1.	Larry Snyder	Ruling Elder	Versailles, Troy	2024
2.	_____	Ruling Elder	_____	2025
3.	Scott Cervas	Teaching Elder	Lexington, Meadowthorpe	2025
4.	Catesby Woodford	Ruling Elder	Mt. Sterling, First	2026
5.	Curtis Christian	Teaching Elder	Richmond, First	2026

The Closing Commission shall counsel with congregations that have indicated their desire to end their relationship with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) or those that have reached the completion of their effective ministry. This commission shall receive referrals from the Presbytery, the Commission on Congregational Issues or the Coordinating Commission. This commission shall determine a course of action, either division, dismissal, or dissolution, negotiate the terms of such action, and recommend it to the Presbytery for final approval. Such negotiations include consultation with the Administrative (Trustees) Commission.

CONGREGATIONAL ISSUES COMMISSION

Chair, Mike Ward

1.	Jennifer Marsh	Ruling Elder	Corbin	2024
2.	Roger Dermody	Teaching Elder	Validated Ministry	2024
3.	Candace Purdom	Ruling Elder	Perryville	2025
4.	Mike Ward	Teaching Elder	Retired	2025
5.	Katherine Redmond	Teaching Elder	Retired	2026

The Congregational Issues Commission will assist congregations with any difficult issues that arise, including conflictual situations and complaints involving the actions of teaching and ruling elders. Formal complaints that rise to the level of a disciplinary case will not be handled by this commission but will be referred to the Presbytery’s Permanent Judicial Commission. The Congregational Issues Commission also will work with congregations that might need assistance in dealing with concerns related to congregational life that are not conflict situations, but in which outside consultation might be helpful. This commission will work closely with Church Development to help focus resources on congregational health and vitality. In addition, this commission may work closely with the Pastoral Transitions Commission if issues arise in congregations with temporary pastors or that are in transition. The commission will also undertake other responsibilities as assigned by the Presbytery or Coordinating Commission. This commission may recruit, seek additional help and build teams with people not on the commission for short-term projects when necessary.

COMMISSION ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY

Chair, Linda Kurtz

1. Rollin Tarter	Teaching Elder	Retired	2024
2. Ginny Shanda	Ruling Elder	Lexington, First	2024
3. Linda Kurtz	Teaching Elder	Lexington, First	2024
4. Scot Robinson	Teaching Elder	Pikeville, First	2024
5. Griffin Phillips Ryan	Teaching Elder	London, First	2025
6. Linder Jaeckels	Ruling Elder	Versailles	2025
7. _____	Ruling Elder	_____	2025
8. _____	Teaching Elder	_____	2025
9. Jennifer Powell	Teaching Elder	Mt. Sterling, First	2026
10. _____	Ruling Elder	_____	2026
11. _____	Ruling Elder	_____	2026

The Commission on Preparation for Ministry shall be composed of twelve (12) members; half of whom shall be Teaching Elder members of the Presbytery and half of whom shall be elders. The Commission shall fulfill the functions related to the process of preparation for ordination as Teaching Elder and shall provide for the training, and nurture of Ruling Elders who apply to become Commissioned Lay Pastors (CLP’s).

PASTORAL TRANSITIONS COMMISSION

Chair, Juanita Spangler

1. Juanita Spangler	Ruling Elder	Whitesburg, Graham Mem.	2024
2. José Luis Casal	Teaching Elder	Paris, First	2024
3. Mike Burnside	Ruling Elder	Lexington, First	2024
4. Caroline Kelly	Teaching Elder	Danville	2025
5. Mike Chamberlain	Teaching Elder	Retired	2025
6. Eric Schonblom	Ruling Elder	Buckhorn	2025
7. Barbara Rogers	Ruling Elder	Lexington, Hunter	2026
8. Wanda Olive	Teaching Elder	Winchester, First	2026
9. Matt Falco	Teaching Elder	Lexington, Maxwell St.	2026

The Pastor Transitions Commission shepherds a congregation from the moment a Pastoral leader decides to leave, is removed from office or retires until a new leader is formally installed. This commission would be responsible for working with the Session to determine the best course of action for a congregation searching for new, *permanent* leadership, including all the various steps of the PNC process including examining and receiving the new Teaching Elder/CRE, approving any Interim contracts and new terms of call. They would also work on a suggested Installation Commission for the newly called Pastor. The design of this commission would be to create a “turn-key” process to ease the burden, eliminate the confusion and lower the anxiety for congregations in transition. They would also recommend Presbytery minimum terms of call each year after a thorough evaluation of national and local salary trends. This commission shall appoint moderators to Sessions of churches with leadership vacancies due to the search process and other duties assigned by the Presbytery or Coordinating Commission. This commission may recruit, seek additional help, and build teams with people not on the commission for short-term projects when necessary.

PERMANENT JUDICIAL COMMISSION

1. Kristy Ehlert	Teaching Elder	Validated Ministry	2024
2. David Hoskins	Ruling Elder	Corbin	2026
3. Angie Hatton	Ruling Elder	Whitesburg, Graham Mem	2026
4. Susan Warren	Teaching Elder	Retired	2026
5. Mike Pratt	Ruling Elder	London, First	2028
6. Steve Auvenshine	Ruling Elder	Paris, First	2028
7. Kathy Riley	Teaching Elder	Validated Ministry	2028

In accordance with D-5, the Presbytery shall elect, by nomination from the COR, a Permanent Judicial Commission, as outlined in the *Book of Order*, D-5.0000.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION MINISTRY

_____	_____	_____	2026 Chair
_____	_____	_____	2025 Vice-Chair

The Christian Formation Ministry shall be comprised of a Chair and Vice-Chair (one being a Teaching Elder, the other being a Ruling Elder). The Chair and Vice-Chair may appoint additional members as needed for the mission of this Ministry, seeking to uphold parity Teaching Elders and members of congregations and honoring the full diversity of the Presbytery in representation. This Ministry shall be responsible for coordinating the Presbytery’s work in strengthening and supporting congregations in their faithful discipleship through Biblical and theological knowledge and spiritual formation and areas of mission including youth, young adults and campus ministry.

CHURCH DEVELOPMENT & REVITALIZATION MINISTRY

Keith Benze	Teaching Elder	Versailles	2025	Chair
_____	Ruling Elder	_____	2026	Vice-Chair

The Church Revitalization and Development Ministry exists to work with current churches engaging in revitalization and transformation efforts and to promote and encourage the development of new worshipping communities.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY

Sarah Wilson	Ruling Elder	Lex., Eastminster	2026	Chair
Hannah McIntyre	Teaching Elder	Versailles, Pisgan	2024	Vice-Chair

The Leadership Development Ministry would oversee the content and schedule of Leadership Development for the Presbytery. While there is overlap with the area of Christian formation, this group would look at issues of conflict management, leadership, organizational change, and the need for adaptive change process. This group would be tasked with the training, oversight and continued education of Commissioned Ruling Elders. They would also work with newly ordained clergy, Pastors new to the Presbytery and consider developing a coaching program for clergy. This group would provide Sexual Misconduct Prevention Training at regular intervals to insure that all Teaching Elders and employees of Transylvania Presbytery, and any volunteers under the supervision of Transylvania Presbytery, including officers, those serving on its Commissions and Ministries, boards and support of its programs, may be trained every five years

MISSION MINISTRY

Brad Napier	Teaching Elder	Stanford	2025	Chair
_____	Ruling Elder	_____	2026	Vice- Chair

The Mission Ministry shall be comprised of a Chair and Vice-Chair (one being a Teaching Elder, the other being a Ruling Elder). The Chair and Vice-Chair may appoint additional members as needed for the mission of this Ministry, seeking to uphold parity Teaching Elders and members of congregations and honoring the full diversity of the Presbytery in representation. This Ministry shall seek to strengthen and support congregations in their mission to their communities and to the world, and to assist in coordinating mission opportunities within the Presbytery.

YOUTH LEADERSHIP MINISTRY

_____	_____	_____		Chair
_____	_____	_____		Vice-Chair

The Youth Leadership Ministry of Transylvania Presbytery exists to foster the leadership opportunities and abilities of youth within the presbytery and host events that foster relationships and community amongst the youth of the presbytery. The Youth Leadership Ministry will be comprised of youth and the willing college, adult, elder or lay people who will facilitate the growth, leadership, decision-making, and gathering of the youth.

REPRESENTATIVES TO OTHER GOVERNING BODIES AND AGENCIES

COMMISSIONERS TO SYNOD OF LIVING WATERS

_____	Ruling Elder	_____	2024
Steve Pace	Teaching Elder	At-large	2024

SYNOD OF LIVING WATERS – PERMANENT JUDICIAL COMMISSION

Rachel Anderson	Teaching Elder	Validated Ministry	2024
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**ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE KENTUCKY COUNCIL OF CHURCHES
DELEGATES 2023**

Five delegates need to be elected at the spring or summer in 2024 Presbytery meeting for the 2024 Kentucky Council of Churches meeting in the fall of 2024

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**COMMISSIONERS TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY (2024)
June 25-July 4, 2024**

_____	Ruling Elder	_____	2024
_____	Alternate Ruling Elder	_____	2024
Curtis Christian	Teaching Elder	Richmond, First	2024
_____	Alternate Teaching Elder	_____	2024
Brooks Pinney	YAAD	Mt. Sterling, First	2024
_____	Alternate YAAD	_____	2024