

To: Teaching Elder and Ruling Elder Commissioners

Notice of Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Transylvania

The Presbytery of Transylvania will meet on Saturday, May 18, 2024, beginning at 10 AM at McGuire Memorial Presbyterian Church, 1 Bradford Street, Beattyville, KY 41311. The church is located at the traffic light at Bradford and Main. The presbytery thanks the pastor, officers, and members of the church for their kind hospitality in hosting our meeting.

We encourage you to attend this meeting and see in-person all that has been accomplished after a devastating flood in 2021. The meeting will include worship, the Sacrament of Communion, and reports from our various ministries and commissions of the Presbytery.

We ask that everyone pre-registers for this meeting, so that we can make the necessary arrangements for lunch:

[REGISTER HERE](#)

The meeting docket and reports can be found here: [MEETING REPORTS](#)

If you are unable to attend, please request an excused absence from the Stated Clerk at the following link:

[REQUEST EXCUSED ABSENCE](#)

God's blessings to each one and see you soon in Beattyville.

The Rev. Jerry L. Utt, II
Stated Clerk

Proposed Docket Presbytery of Transylvania
May 18, 2024

10 am- Call to Order and Opening Prayer

Worship with Communion and Commissioning of GA Commissioners.

10:45- Business Meeting

- A. Declaration of Quorum
- B. Approval of Docket (all new business must be submitted at this time)
- C. Consent Agenda
 - a. Clerk's Report
 - b. Commission on Preparation for Ministry
 - c. Coordinating Commission
 - d. Pastoral Transitions Commission
- D. Comings and Goings- Philip Lotspeich
- E. Beattyville Update- Vern Goodman
- F. Flood Recovery- Jim Garrett
- G. Leadership Development- Sarah Wilson
- H. Presbyterian Women- Karen May
- I. Congregational Issues- Mike Ward
- J. Mission Ministry- Brad Napier
- K. Treasurer's and Administration Commission Report – Bill Reed
- L. Urban Village- Beth Garrod-Logsdon
- M. General Presbyter- Philip Lotspeich
 - a. Board of Pension Changes
 - b. E-Connect
 - c. New Website
 - d. Ginny Shanda Visits
- N. Time of Sharing
- O. New Business

Adjournment and Closing Prayer

Lunch!

**Report of the Stated Clerk
Presbytery of Transylvania
May 18, 2024**

Recommendations for Presbytery Action:

1. Move that presbytery accept requests for excused absence.
2. Move that presbytery seat corresponding members and grant privilege of floor (voice).
3. Move that presbytery approve minutes of February 27, 2024, stated meeting.

Information:

The yearly statistical season has ended. I've included the summary total report for the presbytery (next page). Many thanks to those churches and clerks of sessions that completed 2023 statistical reports and administrative reviews.

2023 Summary of Church Changes:

Churches as of 1/1/2023	67
Dissolutions	4
(Normal, Ashland; United, Frenchburg; Mays Lick; Brush Memorial, Hyden)	
Churches as of 12/31/2023	63

New Worshiping Community: Urban Village, Nicholasville, KY

2023 Summary of Minister Changes:

Ministers on roll as of 1/1/2023	110
Losses (deaths, transfers)	10
Additions (receptions, ordination)	3
Ministers on roll as of 12/31/2023	103

Roster of former Permanent Judicial Commission members

(see Book of Order Church Discipline D-3.0602b):

Mark Davis	Teaching Elder	2021
Bill Owens	Ruling Elder	2021
Janet Prewitt	Teaching Elder	2020
Diane Kraft	Ruling Elder	2020
Pamela Potter	Ruling Elder	2019
Anne Chesnut	Ruling Elder	2018

2023 Presbytery Statistical Report

Presbytery	Transylvania		
Address	PO Box 23580, Lexington, KY 40523-3580		
Phone	859-264-8867	Fax	859-264-8869
Email	rjustus@transypby.org		
Web Site	transypby.org		



Membership

Prior Active Members	5881	Adjusted membership	5825
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Gains		Losses	
Certificate	40	Certificate	19
Youth Professions	31	Deaths	79
Professions & Reaffirmations	46	Deleted for any Other Reason	261
Total Gains	117	Total Losses	359
Total Ending Active Members	5583		

Baptisms		Average Weekly Worship Attendance	1803
Presented by Others	38	Friends of the Congregation	673
At Confirmation	3	Ruling Elders on Session	283
All Other	3	Do you have Deacons? Yes / No	13 / 25

Age Distribution of Active Members		People with Disabilities	
17 & Under	185	Hearing impairment	178
18 - 25	266	Sight impairment	56
26 - 40	593	Mobility impairment	184
41 - 55	584	Other impairment	108
56 - 70	930		
Over 70	1273		

Total Age Distribution	3831	Gender Distribution	
		Women	2264
		Men	1622
		Non-Binary	42

Youth in Congregation			
Age 4 and under	105	Middle School (6th – 8th grade)	130
Elementary School (K-5th grade)	234	High School (9th – 12th grade)	134
		Total Youth	603

Racial Ethnic			
Asian/Pacific Islander/South Asian	76	Native American/Alaska Native/Indigenous	4
Black/African American/African	34	White	3788
Middle Eastern/North African	0	Multiracial	18
Hispanic/Latino-a	7		
		Total Racial Ethnic	3927

Budgeted Income	6,986,045		
Budgeted Expense	7,936,981		
Receipts			
Regular Contributions	6,112,689	Bequests	616,885
Capital Building Fund	1,022,743	Other Income	310,129
Investment Income	1,534,116	Subsidy or Aid	22,800

Expenditures			
Local Program	6,453,456	Investment Expenditures	432,554
Local Mission	729,835	Per Capital Apprt	158,641
Capital Expenditures	933,506	Other Mission	291,953

2023 Presbytery Statistical Report

Commission on Preparation for Ministry

May 2024

- At its April meeting, the CPM interviewed Jon Roller for the Commissioned Pastor process, accepted him into the program, and welcomed him under the care of the CPM. Penny Lamb will serve as Jon's CPM shepherd.
- The CPM also scheduled its annual retreat for August 16-17 at Camp Burnamwood. The retreat is an opportunity for CPM members and everyone under the commission's care to gather to get to know one another, learn together, and conduct our annual consultations with each candidate.
- Also at its April meeting, the CPM agreed to discuss the size of the commission at a future meeting, with the possibility of requesting a reduction from the Coordinating Commission. This may come before the presbytery in August.
- We still have two candidates for ordination under our care, both of whom have just taken ordination exams. With the enrollment of Jon Roller in the Commissioned Pastor process, we now have three individuals in that program.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Linda Kurtz
CPM Moderator

Report to Presbytery
Treasurer's Report/Administration Commission/Trustees
May 18, 2024

Information:

- The Treasurer's Report as of March 31, 2024, is attached.
- Also attached is a per capita and unified giving spreadsheet as requested by Presbytery.

Operating Budget

1. Total Revenue as of 3/31/24 is \$60,451 as compared to \$71,870 at 3/31/23. This is a decrease in revenue of \$11,419.
2. Total Expense as of 3/31/24 is \$94,743 as compared to \$92,995 at 3/31/23. This is an increase in expense of \$1,748.
3. Total Net for the operating budget at 3/31/24 is (\$34,293) as compared to (\$21,126) at 3/31/23.

Burnamwood

1. Total Burnamwood revenue as of 3/31/24 is \$19,449 as compared to \$29,223 at 3/31/23. This is a decrease in revenue of \$9,774.
2. Total Burnamwood expense as of 3/31/24 is \$31,276 as compared to \$27,787 at 3/31/23. This is an increase in expense of \$3,489.
3. Total Net for Burnamwood as of 3/31/24 is (\$11,827) as compared to \$1,436 at 3/31/23.

Urban Village

1. Total Urban Village revenue at 3/31/24 is \$22,288.
2. Total Urban Village expenses at 3/31/24 is \$29,923.
3. The Net for Urban Village as of 3/31/24 is (\$7,635).

Actions Taken by Administration Commission since February presbytery meeting:

1. Year-to-date financial reports as of March 31, 2024, were reviewed and approved including reserves, foundation accounts, unified mission, and per capita contributions.
2. Approved a request from the Whites Memorial Presbyterian Church to use funds from the John White Foundation account for audio and live stream upgrades for the church. This request meets the guidelines of the John White account. It was also discussed that the Presbytery has some remaining funds available in a designated account for technology that came from the Synod. A motion was approved to award a technology grant in the amount of \$1,000 from the Technology Grant fund to show Presbytery's support to the church and to authorize a transfer of \$10,042.99 from the John White Foundation Account.
3. Discussion with the owners to purchase the Urban Village property as directed by the Presbytery is in progress. Approved a motion to purchase the Urban Village property for \$315,000 as directed by Presbytery at the November 2023 meeting. Funds from the designated account "Proceeds from Sale of Church Property" will be used for the purchase. Additional capital repairs are needed for the Urban Village building once the sale is complete that total an estimated \$50,000. Approved a motion to approve these expenditures from the designated account "Proceeds from Sale of Church Property" once the purchase of the property is complete.
4. Approved a motion to transfer \$200,000 from the General Money Market account at the Foundation to the Chase Operating account. Cash flow is needed in the bank account, so that when the lawyer finalizes the contract and title search a closing on the property can proceed in an efficient manner.
5. A request was received from the former members of the Perryville Presbyterian Church requesting that a contribution of \$7,500 be sent to the Perryville 1828 Chateau (formerly the Perryville Presbyterian Church property) to assist with the removal of bats from the building. Approved a motion to send \$7,500 from the designated account "Proceeds from Sale of Church property" to Perryville 1828 Chateau.

Presbytery of Transylvania					
Treasurer's Report					
March 31, 2024					
	2024	TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL	2024 ACTUAL
	ANNUAL	REVENUE	REVENUE	REVENUE	COMPARED TO
	BUDGET	3/31/24	3/31/23	2023	2023 ACTUAL
INCOME					(decrease in revenue)
BENEVOLENCES					
FLOOD RELIEF EAST KY	20,000	2,625	11,558	30,946	(8,933)
DISASTER RELIEF-DESIGNATED FUND		(2,625)	(6,657)	37,027	4,032
TOTAL BENEVOLENCES	20,000	-	4,901	67,973	(4,901)
UNIFIED GIVING - Presbytery Share	125,000	25,937	22,876	108,139	3,061
PER CAPITA	150,025	26,079	20,791	120,112	5,288
OTHER RECEIPTS					
TRUST FUNDS	152,000	3,000	20,377	163,437	(17,377)
OTHER RECEIPTS/DESIGNATED ACCTS	148,200	5,435	2,925	29,429	2,509
TOTAL OTHER RECEIPTS	300,200	8,435	23,302	192,866	(14,867)
TOTAL INCOME	595,225	60,451	71,870	489,089	(11,419)
	2024	TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL	2024 ACTUAL
	ANNUAL	EXPENSE	EXPENSE	EXPENSE	COMPARED TO
	BUDGET	3/31/24	3/31/23	2023	2023 ACTUAL
EXPENSES					(decrease in expenses)
COMMISSIONS AND MINISTRIES					
ADMINISTRATION	10,000	5,657	3,257	20,274	2,399
BURNAMWOOD	50,000	12,500	12,500	50,000	0
CHRISTIAN FORMATION	19,900	0	0	8,200	0
CHURCH DEVELOPMENT/REDEVELOPMENT	8,000	422	422	2,738	0
CONGREGATIONAL ISSUES	2,000	0	0	387	0
COORDINATING COMMISSION	5,000	0	328	1,193	(328)
LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT	13,000	567	1,666	10,444	(1,099)
MISSION MINISTRY	28,000	0	5,401	74,514	(5,401)
PASTORAL TRANSITIONS COMMISSION	16,000	2,238	173	15,652	2,065
PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY	15,000	63	36	1,396	27
REPRESENTATION	200	0	0	0	0
YOUTH MINISTRY	10,000	0	34	34	(34)
TOTAL COMMISSIONS/MINISTRIES	177,100	21,447	23,816	184,831	(2,370)
SUPPORT FUNCTIONS					
PERSONNEL	359,425	64,834	63,006	265,815	1,828
OFFICE OPERATIONS	32,800	3,163	3,377	24,260	(215)
COMMUNICATIONS	1,000	3,199	887	4,887	2,312
PRESBYTERY OFFICES	10,900	272	158	11,221	114
TOTAL SUPPORT FUNCTIONS	404,125	71,468	67,429	306,184	4,039
OTHER					
KY COUNCIL OF CHURCHES	5,000	1,000	1,000	4,000	0
PRESBYTERY MEETINGS	6,000	78	0	3,250	78
PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN	3,000	750	750	3,000	0
TOTAL OTHER	14,000	1,828	1,750	10,250	78
TOTAL EXPENSES	595,225	94,743	92,995	501,265	1,748
INCOME YEAR-TO-DATE	595,225	60,451	71,870	489,089	
EXPENSES YEAR-TO-DATE	595,225	94,743	92,995	501,265	
DIFFERENCE	0	(34,293)	(21,126)	(12,175)	

Camp Burnamwood Subsidiary Budget					
March 31, 2024					
	2024	TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL	2024 ACTUAL
	ANNUAL	REVENUE/EXPENSE	REVENUE/EXPENSE	REVENUE/EXPENSE	COMPARED TO
	BUDGET	3/31/24	3/31/23	2023	2023 ACTUAL
INCOME					(decrease in revenue)
Unified for Burnamwood	50,000	12,500	12,500	50,000	-
Burnamwood Gifts	30,000	1,791	14,652	24,772	(12,861)
Burnamwood Summer Camp Fees	20,000	0	0	0	-
Burnamwood Youth Retreat Fees	2,000	0	0	0	-
Burnamwood Rentals	30,000	2,509	1,421	35,560	1,088
Burnamwood Appalachian Ministry	8,000	2,650	650	3,950	2,000
BW Surplus from Previous Year	0	0	0	12,500	-
TOTAL INCOME	140,000	19,449	29,223	126,782	(9,774)
EXPENSES					(decrease in expense)
ADMINISTRATIVE	10,300	1,709	1,971	8,543	(261)
PERSONNEL	50,318	11,920	11,572	47,556	347
FACILITIES	70,000	17,647	14,244	62,058	3,403
SUMMER PROGRAM	10,000	0	0	0	-
RENTALS	0	0	0	4,009	-
RETREATS	1,000	0	0	0	-
BAM EXPENSE	3,000	0	0	848	-
TOTAL EXPENSES	144,618	31,276	27,787	123,013	3,489
INCOME YEAR-TO-DATE	140,000	19,449	29,223	126,782	
EXPENSES YEAR-TO-DATE	144,618	31,276	27,787	123,013	
DIFFERENCE	(4,618)	(11,827)	1,436	3,769	

Urban Village Subsidiary Budget				
March 31, 2024				
	2024	TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL
	ANNUAL	REVENUE/EXPENSE	REVENUE/EXPENSE	REVENUE/EXPENSE
	BUDGET	3/31/24	3/31/23	2023
INCOME				
Urban Village Fundraising Events	10,000	-	-	304
Urban Village Facility Use Fees	9,000	1,025	-	597
Transfer from Nicholasville Foundation acct	0	0	31,105	52,089
Urban Village Participant Fees	30,000	3,679	112	7,177
Urban Village Grants	35,000	0	0	5,000
Urban Village Gifts	10,000	1,582	310	5,847
Transfer from Reserve Funds	5,000	13,365	0	50,000
Urban Village Scholarship Fund	7,500	0	0	
Urban Village After School Program	13,500	2,638	0	
TOTAL INCOME	120,000	22,288	31,527	121,013
EXPENSES				
Administrative Expenses	10,017	1,899	1,374	9,190
Facility Expenses	47,000	10,966	15,022	47,112
Personnel Expenses	62,983	17,058	15,131	59,628
TOTAL EXPENSES	120,000	29,923	31,527	115,930
INCOME YEAR-TO-DATE	120,000	22,288	31,527	121,013
EXPENSES YEAR-TO-DATE	120,000	29,923	31,527	115,930
DIFFERENCE	0	(7,635)	0	5,084

RESERVES	
March 31, 2024	
Designated Accounts for Specific Purposes	
Caldwell Campbell for First Presbyterian of Richmond	44,544
Greenway funds	1,223,962
Harmony Cemetery	10,526
John F White fund to be used for Whites Memorial and indigent ministers	705,421
Mec Lona Davis to be used for Guerrant Memorial	295,460
Urban Village Operating Account	393
Campus Ministry funds held by Foundation	190,325
Total Designated Accounts for Specific Purposes	2,470,631
Undesignated Accounts	
General Fund	317,528
General Money Market Fund	696,420
Chase Operating Account	248,955
<i>Total Donor Designated Funds in General Accounts</i>	(240,409)
<i>Total Presbytery Designated Funds in General Accounts</i>	(688,459)
Total Undesignated Presbytery Reserves	334,035
Estimate of Needed Operating Reserves (4 Months of Expenses)	198,408
Total of Presbytery Accounts	3,733,534
SPECIAL OFFERINGS	
March 31, 2024	
GENERAL ASSEMBLY CAUSES	Amount Received from Churches
GA Disaster Assistance	100
GA Hunger	1,840
GA Joy Gift	4,579
GA Missionaries/Extra Commitment Opportunities	10,013
GA One Great Hour	1,855
GA Peace & Global Witness	455
GA Pentecost	-
GA Theological Education	150
TOTAL GA CAUSES	18,992
SYNOD CAUSES	
SLW Living World Offering	-
SLW Living Waters Transy Team Fund	60,000
SLW Louisville Seminary	-
SLW Peace & Global Witness	117
TOTAL SYNOD CAUSES	60,117
PRESBYTERY CAUSES	
Bellewood	-
Buckhorn Children & Family Services	2,474
Presbytery Flood Relief	2,625
Westminster Village	-
TOTAL PRESBYTERY CAUSES	5,099
TOTAL SPECIAL OFFERINGS	84,208

Unified and Per Capita Spreadsheet

CHURCH	LOCATION	2023 PER CAPITA	PER CAPITA RECEIVED 12/31/23	UNIFIED RECEIVED 12/31/23	2024 PER CAPITA	PER CAPITA RECEIVED 3/31/24	UNIFIED RECEIVED 3/31/24
Community Presbyterian Church-Bellefonte	Ashland	782.00	50		628.64		
First Presbyterian Church	Ashland	4,301.00	4,301		4,007.58	1,001.90	
Normal Presbyterian Church	Ashland	977.50	489	978	982.25	982.25	
Augusta Presbyterian Church	Augusta	1,994.10			1,414.44		
Sharon Presbyterian Church	Augusta	469.20			471.48		
McGuire Memorial Presbyterian Church	Beattyville	664.70	665	335	667.93		
White's Memorial Presbyterian Church	Berea	586.50			589.35		
Doermann Memorial Presbyterian Church	Blackey	1,094.80			1,100.12		
Cow Creek Presbyterian Church	Booneville	1,446.70			1,453.73		
First Presbyterian Church	Booneville	3,010.70			3,025.33		
Buckhorn Lake Area Presbyterian Church	Buckhorn	1,720.40	1,720	2,400	1,728.76		
Highland Presbyterian Church	Canada	821.10			825.09		
Carlisle Presbyterian Church	Carlisle	1,759.50	1,760		1,768.05		
Cawood Presbyterian Church	Cawood	664.70			667.93		
Corbin Presbyterian Church	Corbin	2,971.60	2,972		2,907.46		
Cynthiana Presbyterian Church	Cynthiana	5,943.20	5,943	5,000	5,932.79		
The Presbyterian Church	Danville	11,065.30	11,065	9,000	10,765.46	1,795.00	1,500.00
United Presbyterian Church	Ezel	1,094.80	1,095		785.80		
First Presbyterian Church	Flemingsburg	782.00			785.80		
United Presbyterian Church	Frenchburg	664.70			667.93	667.93	
First Presbyterian Church	Georgetown	5,356.70	5,357	1,250	5,304.15		
Bayless Memorial Presbyterian Church	Grayson	625.60			628.64		
Greenup Presbyterian Church	Greenup	1,251.20			1,257.28		
First Presbyterian Church	Harlan	1,055.70			1,060.83		
United Presbyterian Church	Harrodsburg	2,228.70	2,808		2,239.53		
First Presbyterian Church	Hazard	1,955.00	4,155		1,964.50		
Anna C. Brush Memorial Presbyterian Church	Hyden	703.80			707.22	707.22	
Isom Presbyterian Church	Isom	1,055.70			1,060.83		
Guerrant Memorial Presbyterian Church	Jackson	1,251.20	2,482		1,257.28		
First Presbyterian Church	Lancaster	2,072.30	2,072	1,000	1,768.05		
First Presbyterian Church	Lawrenceburg	625.60	654		589.35		
Beaumont Presbyterian Church	Lexington	4,926.60	4,927	1,500	4,518.35	1,129.59	375.00
Bethel Presbyterian Church	Lexington	469.20	469		471.48		
Eastminster Presbyterian Church	Lexington	1,173.00	1,173		1,178.70	294.68	
First Presbyterian Church	Lexington	24,554.80	24,555		24,674.12	6,168.54	
Hunter Presbyterian Church	Lexington	5,395.80	5,200	10,000	5,186.28	1,299.99	1,590.91

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CHURCH	LOCATION	2023 PER CAPITA	PER CAPITA RECEIVED 12/31/23	UNIFIED RECEIVED 12/31/23	2024 PER CAPITA	PER CAPITA RECEIVED 3/31/24	UNIFIED RECEIVED 3/31/24
Korean Presbyterian Church	Lexington	2,150.50			2,514.56		
Maxwell Street Presbyterian Church	Lexington	19,628.20	19,878		19,723.58		
Meadowthorpe Presbyterian Church	Lexington	1,955.00	1,500	2,500	1,846.63	445.00	
Mt.Horeb Presbyterian Church	Lexington	1,564.00	1,564	200	1,532.31	432.31	200.00
Second Presbyterian Church	Lexington	27,057.20	27,058	57,571	27,345.84	6,836.47	14,392.75
Walnut Hill Presbyterian Church	Lexington	5,786.80			5,972.08	5,972.08	
First Presbyterian Church	London	1,955.00	2,553		2,003.79	500.94	
Mays Lick Presbyterian Church	Mayslick	156.40			157.16	157.16	
First Presbyterian Church	Maysville	4,574.70			4,518.35	4,574.70	3,000.00
First Presbyterian Church	Middlesboro	742.90			746.51		
Midway Presbyterian Church	Midway	2,854.30	2,854	4,000	2,868.17		
First Presbyterian Church	Millersburg	664.70			667.93	653.99	
Faith Presbyterian Church	Morehead	860.20	1,231	269	864.38		
First Presbyterian Church	Mt.Sterling	4,379.20	4,379	1,806	4,204.03	700.63	334.49
Old Paint Lick Presbyterian Church	Paint Lick	664.70	1,319		667.93		
First Presbyterian Church	Paris	2,033.20			2,082.37		
Hopewell Presbyterian Church	Paris	2,072.30			2,082.37	4,154.67	
First Presbyterian Church	Pikeville	1,368.50			1,296.57		
First Presbyterian Church	Prestonsburg	3,362.60			2,318.11		
First Presbyterian Church	Richmond	8,680.20	8,680	30,000	7,150.78	2,169.99	7,500.00
New Providence Presbyterian Church	Salvisa	782.00			785.80		
First Presbyterian Church	Somerset	7,116.20	6,266		7,425.81		
Pisgah Presbyterian Church	Somerset	1,016.60			1,021.54		
Stanford Presbyterian Church	Stanford	3,988.20	3,988		4,007.58	1,000.00	
Pisgah Prebyterian Church	Versailles	8,445.60	8,310		8,172.32		
Troy Presbyterian Church	Versailles	3,128.00	3,128	5,074	3,143.20	785.75	1,352.25
Versailles Presbyterian Church	Versailles	9,931.40	8,276		9,429.60	2,482.74	
Graham Memorial Presbyterian Church	Whitesburg	3,597.20			3,614.68	625.00	875.00
Wilmore Presbyterian Church	Wilmore	2,228.70	2,230	1,000	2,121.66		
First Presbyterian Church	Winchester	5,943.20	5,943		4,832.67		
Salem Presbyterian Church	Winchester	899.30	886	900	903.67	904.00	900.00
Receipts from Individuals				3,771			900
Grand Totals		237,454	193,955	138,554	231,064	46,443	32,920
Presbytery Portion		154,922	120,112	108,139	150,024	26,079	25,937

Coordinating Commission Report
Presbytery of Transylvania
May 18, 2024

Since the February 27, 2024, stated meeting, the Coordinating Commission met on March 27, 2024, and April 24, 2024, both via Zoom technology.

The Coordinating Commission has taken these actions:

- Reviewed the budgets and financial information for the presbytery, Camp Burnamwood, and Urban Village.
- Accepted the invitation of the McGuire Memorial Presbyterian Church, Beattyville, KY, to host the May 18, 2024, presbytery meeting.
- Accepted the invitation of the First Presbyterian Church, Mt. Sterling, KY, to host the August 22, 2024, stated meeting.
- Reviewed the formula for parity between ruling elder and teaching elder commissioners (see bylaws section 1.4) and suggested no changes in the formula.
- Engaged in discussions of the presbytery's structure, staffing, work, and effectiveness.
- Endorsed a Healthy Congregations workshop to be hosted by the Congregational Issues Commission at First Presbyterian Church, Winchester and led by the Lombard Mennonite Peace Center, on Saturday, September 21, 2024, beginning at 9 AM.
- Scheduled a commission planning retreat for Saturday, July 20, 2024.
- Reviewed the workings of the various ministries and commissions of the presbytery.

**Pastoral Transitions Commission
Report to Presbytery
May 18, 2024**

1. Since the last presbytery meeting, the commission met in 2023 on December 7th and in 2024 on January 11th, February 3rd, March 11th, April 11th, and May 9th.
2. The commission has taken these actions:

Reception of Teaching Elders

- 3/14/24, received Jim Garrett from Presbytery of Mid-Kentucky
- 3/14/24, received Michael Bean from the Ohio Valley Presbytery
- 3/14/24, received Shawn Barkley from Cincinnati Presbytery

Dismissal of Teaching Elders

12/7/23, dismissed Caroline Kelly to Presbytery of Sheppards and Lapsley (AL)

Calls/Covenants approved, reviewed, changed, ended

- 12/7/23, renewed supply contract, Lisa Culpepper and Mt. Horeb Presbyterian Church, 1/1/24 to 12/31/24.
- 12/7/23, approved PJ Miller serving communion at Faith Presbyterian Presbyterian Church, Morehead, 12/7/23 to 12/31/24.
- 12/7/23, approved supply contract, Jack Hughes Robinson and Carlisle Presbyterian Church, 1/1/24 to 12/31/24.
- 12/7/23, approved Greg Kupar as temporary interim pastor of Cynthiana Presbyterian Church.
- 1/11/24, approved the commissioning of Mickle Hampton to Pisgah Presbyterian Church, Somerset
- 1/11/24, approved the temporary supply contract with Emily Miller and Jake Hofmeister and the White's Memorial Presbyterian Church.
- 1/11/24, renewed the commissioned pastor contract with Sarah Wilson and Eastminister Presbyterian Church.
- 1/28/24, Commissioned Heather Ladick as Commissioned Pastor at Hopewell Presbyterian Church.
- 2/3/24, approved dissolution of call between Scott Cervas and Meadowthorpe Presbyterian Church.
- 2/3/24, approved Tim Noel as bridge pastor at First Presbyterian Church, Somerset during pastor search
- 3/14/24, approved dissolution of call between Jennifer Hallberg and Maxwell Street Presbyterian Church.
- 3/14/24, approved call between Jim Garrett and Presbytery of Transylvania. He will act as Presbyterian Disaster Assistance coordinator and serve as

supply minister and moderator for churches in Blackey, Buckhorn, Hazard, and Isom, beginning on March 18th.

- 4/11/24, amended termination agreement between Jennifer Halberg and the Maxwell Street Presbyterian Church
- 4/11/24, approved supply contract between Jennifer Hallberg and the Meadowthorpe Presbyterian Church
- 5/9/24, renewed temporary supply contract between Elizabeth Stone and First Presbyterian Church of Georgetown, effective 1/1/24-12/31/24.

Moderator appointed

- 12/7/23, Sylvia Carter appointed moderator to Ezel Presbyterian Church
- 2/3/24, Brad Napier appointed moderator to First Presbyterian Church, Somerset
- 3/14/24, Jim Garrett appointed moderator to Buckhorn Lake Area Church
- 3/14/24, Jim Garrett appointed moderator to Doermann Memorial Church
- 3/14/24, Jim Garrett appointed moderator to First Presbyterian Church, Hazard
- 3/14/24, Jim Garrett appointed moderator to Isom Presbyterian Church

Commission to Install

- 5/9/24, Approved Commission to Install Sarah Smith on June 8th at 11 am in Versailles. Commission members: John Leggett, Moderator, Keith Benze, Scot Robinson, Griffin Phillips Ryan, Cheryl Benze, Ginny Shanda

Retired Status Granted

none

Validated Ministry approvals

- 12/7/23, approved contract between Kathy Riley and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, 2024

Member-at-Large status granted

none

Pastor Nominating Committee approved

- 5/9/24, approved PNC for The Presbyterian Church of Danville

Ministry Discernment Profile approved

- 2/3/24, approved, with a recommendation, MDF for First Presbyterian Church, Somerset.

3. 2/3/24, Recommended to the presbytery that presbytery approve creation of an administrative commission to assume responsibilities currently vested in the session, Faith Presbyterian Church, Morehead, with the additional recommendation that Allie Secor and April Adkins from the Faith church serve as two members of the five to six-member commission.

Leadership Development Ministry

Report for May 18, 2024 Meeting
Of Transylvania Presbytery

Leadership Development Ministry members: Sarah Wilson (chair), Hannah McIntyre (vice chair), Beth Garrod-Logsdon, John Leggett, Mary Reed, Melissa Sevier

- LDM is working to support ministries, commissions, and congregations
 - LDM is excited to support Mike Ward's suggestion of bringing Healthy Congregations workshops to the presbytery. The workshops are offered by the Lombard Mennonite Peace Center and the first session is being planned for September 2024. As more details are established LDM will be able to see how we can support this worthy endeavor.
- Healthy Boundaries Trainings
 - The first trainings of 2024 will take place in May. An in-person session will be offered May 14 at Troy Presbyterian and a Zoom session will take place on May 21. Additional dates are September 17 (in-person) and October 15 on Zoom. The presbytery has also approved a self-paced online offering from the Lewis Center, which the member must pay for themselves, currently \$49, and also provide a copy of the completion certificate for record keeping.
 - If members are unsure of their last training date or have any other questions, or wish to register, please contact Sarah Wilson at sarahjoycewilson@gmail.com. There are approximately 90 members of the presbytery who need to renew their training. The new sexual misconduct prevention policy (SMPP) approved at the November 2023 presbytery meeting increased the renewal timeline from five years to three years, and there are new consequences presented in the policy for those who have not renewed or received training. (pg. 4, part 1, section C, par. 3) The SMPP can be found here: <https://transypby.org/november-10-11-2023-tri-presbytery-meeting/>
- Session Trainings and Resources – Healthy Boundaries and Elder Training

- A list of resources is available at <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ceLV3sJpJVvrZXxPeE9trMI2foE9rt6ag77RGWaRWel/edit?usp=sharing>. These may be useful for Session members as well as members of the congregation who are not in a leadership role.
- LDM will be compiling and providing a template that can be used to plan Elder/Session trainings and for the Healthy Boundaries trainings for Sessions that is now required per the new SMPP referenced above.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Wilson, chair
Leadership Development Ministry

4.24.24

We ask pastors and elders to share information about Presbyterian Women with women in their churches.

January. Coordinating Team (CT) met 1/23/24 @ Scott Co Library, Georgetown & via zoom.

- Publicize the 6 PW Mary Scott Moore scholarships offered for the triennial PW Churchwide Gathering, Aug. 8-11, 2024, St. Louis. Each scholarship would cover the **\$450 registration fee** and some car travel reimbursement.
- Postponed decision until March meeting on allocation of **\$500.00 gift from Stanford PC** to PWP for mission work.
- Continued planning for April 13, 2024 PWP Annual Spring Gathering @ 1st PC, Richmond. Guest speaker: Jim Embry, Richmond.
- Discussed plans for 2024 PWP Annual Fall Gathering @ Burnamwood, Oct. 12, 2024.

March. CT met 3/12/24 @ Georgetown library & via zoom.

- PW Mary Scott Moore Scholarships – awarded 2 scholarships: Adriana Riggs, student at Bellarmine (member of 1st PC, Ashland) & Nancy Holland, 1st PC, Somerset.
- The **\$500.00 gift from Stanford PC** will be given to Rousseau Fire Dept, Jackson, KY, toward their distribution center for Eky flood victims and others in need. Rev. Janice Stamper and the Stanford church support this project.
- Voted to give \$3,000.00 to the Presbytery of Transylvania toward the repair of the swimming pool at Camp Burnamwood.**
- Finalized plans for the PW Annual Spring Gathering in Richmond. Rev. Pamela Rucker will be our worship leader. We will invite Rev. Philip Lotspeich to bring ‘news of the Presbytery’ – and receive a (surprise) PW Honorary Life Membership.

April 13, 2024 Annual Spring Gathering of Transylvania Presbyterian Women, 1st PC, Richmond.

- Theme: ‘Mother Earth provides food security’. Jim Embry, guest speaker, a Sacred Earth Activist. Jim is internationally known for his work on food sustainability, received the James Beard Foundation Leadership Award in May, 2023. He helped found the Good Foods Co-op (Lex), GLEAN, KY, Greenhouse 17 (Lex); programs for women at risk. He’s been involved in Civil Rights activism and many other projects. He was an amazing speaker – more should hear his message! Google: Jim Embry
- Attendance 63. 15 churches represented. Singing of hymns, treasurer’s report.
- Worship including communion led by Rev. Pamela Rucker who gave a moving sermon, “Feed My Sheep”, John 21:10-17,
- We awarded Philip his PW Honorary Life Membership,
- Elected and installed PWP CT members, (see list below);
- Recognition of women in Transylvania who joined the Circle Eternal in 2023,
- Learned about the many PW and other resources available to local groups, including the award-winning PW HORIZON magazine,
- Encouraged submission of local church history reports to PWP & Columbia Historical Society @ Columbia Seminary
- Announced that the PW Stamp Out Hunger program received **\$813**, mostly from a gift of a stamp collection from Tony Temple, White’s Memorial (funds from used stamps and collections given to Henry Clay Philatelic Society for auction, results of auction given to PWP and then passed on to Transy Mission Comm to meet hunger needs *in the Presbytery*),
- Commissioned 8 women to attend the PW Churchwide Gathering Aug. 8-11, 2024, St. Louis, encouraged others to attend,
- The day’s offering of \$629.00 was given to the Telford Love Fund at 1st PC, Richmond, which addresses many needs of local people,
- The Cents Ability offering, [formerly 2 cents/meal] which goes to the national church, was **\$134.71**.
- The uplifting and challenging gathering dismissed to a delicious box lunch in the gym. We had a warm welcome from the Richmond folks!

April 30, 2024 PWP CT meeting, April 30, 2024 @ Georgetown & zoom.

- Letter of endorsement for Buckhorn application for PW Birthday Offering grant
- Offer 4 scholarships of \$150 each to individuals/gps to zoom the Churchwide Gathering of PW’s, Aug. 8-11, 2024, St. Louis
- Oct. 12, 2024 PWP Fall Gathering: our speaker will be Jan Albert, board member of Mission Haven, Decatur, GA re missionaries
- Hope to zoom gathering from Burnamwood
 - We will invite Rev. Jim Garrett and Rev. Philip Lotspeich
 - Plan to share mission/social justice project ideas among local church groups
- April 26, 2025 PWP Spring Gathering theme will be immigration. @ Cynthiana PC.

Upcoming dates:	▶ Aug. 8-11, 2024 Churchwide Gathering of PW’s, St. Louis
▶ October	Saturday, October 12, 2024: Annual Fall Gathering of all women in Transylvania Presbytery, Camp Burnamwood Program about missions, especially for local women’s groups Guest speaker: Jan Albert, on Board of Mission Haven, Decatur, GA, she is former PWS moderator of Synod PW
▶ April	Saturday, April 26, 2025: Annual Spring Gathering of TPW, Cynthiana Presbyterian Church
▶ October	Saturday, October 11, 2025: Annual Fall Gathering of TPW, Camp Burnamwood

Members of the TPW Coordinating Team:

Karen May [2nd PC, Lex], moderator;

Emily Carroll [1st PC, Georgetown], treasurer;

Karen May, int. recording sec'y);

Nell Line [1st PC, Lex], corresponding sec'y;

Tricia Milner [1st PC, Lex], Horizons, Resources;

Sharon Mandt [1st PC, Somerset], mission coordinator;

Barbara Snyder [Troy PC] stamp out hunger program;

Sandra Harrison [2nd PC, Lex], historian;

Jessica Featherston [1st PC, Paris], directory coordinator;

Bettie George Frye [1st PC, Ashland], cluster leader for Esther cluster;

Becky Elam [1st PC, Richmond], co-cluster leader for Elizabeth cluster;

Melody Mitchell [1st PC, Richmond], co-cluster leader for Elizabeth cluster;

Tammy Bruce [Cynthiana PC], cluster leader for Priscilla;

Janet Robinson [1st PC, Winchester], cluster leader for Ruth].

Cluster leader for Hannah (Lexington churches) is pending.

Available opportunities on PWP CT: cluster leader (liaisons with local PW groups for Rachel in *Anderson, Jessamine, Letcher, Perry, Scott & Woodford Counties*), **Social Justice Coordinator, Recording Secretary, Search Committee Coordinator, other at-large opportunities)** **Contact Karen May, karen@the2mays.net, if interested**

*Report submitted by Karen May, Moderator
Transylvania Presbyterian Women*

April 30, 2024

**CONGREGATIONAL ISSUES COMMISSION (CIC)
REPORT TO PRESBYTERY
MAY 18, 2024**

“Healthy Congregations” workshop – Congregational leaders and others are invited to gather at **First Presbyterian Church, Winchester, on Saturday, September 21, 9am – 4pm**, for a “Healthy Congregations” workshop, a program of the Lombard Mennonite Peace Center (see attached flyer for program description). Please **“save the date”** and watch for more details in the weeks ahead. Special thanks to Keith Benze (Church Development/Redevelopment Ministry), Linda Kurtz (Commission on Preparation for Ministry), Sarah Wilson (Leadership Development Ministry), Katherine Redmond (Congregational Issues Commission) and Mike Ward (Congregational Issues Commission) who are serving as a planning team, and to First Presbyterian Church for making their facility available for this event.

Annual Ministry Reviews - The CIC is encouraging congregations to conduct **annual ministry reviews** with their pastors/congregational leaders. Regular and intentional review conversations with congregational leaders can provide encouragement, support, and guidance for ministry, as well as help prevent misunderstanding, frustration, and conflict. To support congregations that do not already have a practice of annual reviews, we are working to gather resources that can be used in local ministry settings. **If your congregation has such resources and would be willing to share them, please contact the CIC.** Thanks to several congregations who have already shared materials.

Call us – As always, congregational leaders are encouraged to reach out to the CIC regarding potentially disruptive issues in your congregations. We will come alongside in a confidential way, offering resources and support to help your congregation, its leaders, and your ministry return to health and wholeness.

Respectfully Submitted,
Congregational Issues Commission
Mike Ward, moderator
Candace Purdom
Jennifer Marsh
Katherine Redmond
Roger Dermody

For questions or concerns regarding items in this report, please contact Mike Ward at obxward57@gmail.com or 859-537-3008.

Save the Date

Transylvania Presbytery
presents:

Healthy Congregations **A Workshop for Church Leaders**

September 21, 2024

**9 am - 4 pm with breaks
and an hour for lunch**

**FPC Winchester
130 Windridge Dr
Winchester, KY 40391**

Healthy Congregations uses the insights of family systems theory to help church leaders become more effective stewards of their congregations.

This workshop was developed by Dr. Peter Steinke and is based on the work of Dr. Edwin Friedman, author of *Generation to Generation: Family Process in Church and Synagogue*.

The Healthy Congregations workshop is designed to equip leaders to respond to the presence or potential threat of anxiety in a congregational system in ways that prevent destructive conflict and help the church stay focused on its unique mission and purpose.

The Healthy Congregations workshop is an offering of the Lombard Mennonite Peace Center, and Rev. Jay Wittmeyer will be the workshop presenter. Jay is the Executive Director of the Lombard Mennonite Peace Center. Grounded in an Anabaptist peace-building tradition and working from a Bowen family systems perspective, LMPC works to transform conflict in a healthy manner.

More details to follow. You may contact Mike Ward obxward57@gmail.com with questions. You can learn more about the Lombard Center at: <http://www.lmpeacecenter.org>



**Lombard
Mennonite
Peace
Center**

Urban Village

May 2024

Urban Village is busy and growing!

On April 6, 2024, Urban Village celebrated our first anniversary by holding a community-wide birthday party for ourselves. This birthday celebration included open play time, free food, carnival games, and face painting. Around 200 people came to celebrate with us! It was a success because of our awesome board, staff, and volunteers. Thank you to all who came out and helped with this event!

This spring we also began offering Taekwon-Do classes for children. These classes are being taught by 9th degree black belt, Grandmaster Len Kirschbaum. Len brings with him 40+ years of martial arts teaching experience. In fact, his first martial arts studio in Nicholasville was in the building where Urban Village is not located! Len shares Urban Village's vision for mission, outreach, and ministry. He sees his calling as working with families who cannot afford the more expensive dojos in town (even though he trained many of those who are teaching in those facilities.) We currently have 15 students in the 7 and up class and 8 students in the 6 and younger class. Len offered a women's self-defense workshop in early May. On July 20, 2024, through his work with the Disabled Martial Arts Association, he will be offering a self-defense class for people with disabilities. We are hoping to engage the financial support of sponsors for this event so that the class can be absolutely free for all participants. As it is, we will not turn anyone away based on their inability to pay the suggested donation for this class.

Each Sunday evening, we continue to have around ten fifth through eighth grade students who gather for youth group. This group is slowly beginning to connect and interact together. I am thankful to Sheena Roller (Beaumont PC) and Rev. Hannah McIntyre (Pisgah, Versailles) for their help with this ministry! If you would like to volunteer with this youth group, please let me know. Also, if you are from a congregation with just a few youth looking for a youth group experience, your youth are welcome!

As I write this report, we are one week away from completing our first semester of the After School Program. Even with some glitches and growing pains getting this program started, we were able to offer low-cost after school care for nine preschool through fifth grade students. The families were very appreciative and are looking forward to returning for the 2024-2025 school year and we look forward to increasing this program to fifteen students for next school year.

As summer approaches, things are not slowing down! We have eight weeks of summer camp planned followed by a week of Vacation Bible School. The summer camp is being organized and led by one of our amazing board members, Nicole Osborne. Nicole is an elementary school teacher and is looking forward to spending her summer at Urban Village with our kids! Vacation Bible School will be led by members of Wilmore Presbyterian Church and any other folks who would like to join us - again, just let me know!

I would be remiss if I didn't mention that we are *still* working through the purchase of the building. Maybe by presbytery meeting we will have closed on the property!

Finally, and most importantly, thank you all for your support! Without your prayers, your sweat equity, and your financial gifts, Urban Village would not be able to do what we do, impacting the lives that we are for the glory of God's kingdom!

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Beth Garrod-Logsdon, Executive Director/Mission Developer