



STATED MEETING
of the Presbytery of San Diego
February 20, 2018 - 4:00 pm

Pt. Loma Community Presbyterian Church

PRESBYTERY OFFICERS

Rev. Elizabeth Wilson Manahan – Moderator
Ruling Elder Sue Skala, Vice-Moderator /Moderator Elect
Rev. Kevin Womack, Vice-Moderator Elect
Rev. Bob Davis – Acting Stated Clerk
Ruling Elder Carole Ostrander – Minute Clerk

PRESBYTERY EXECUTIVE STAFF

Rev. Michael Mudgett, Executive Presbyter

DIRECTIONS

From the south or east: Take I-8 west (Beaches past I-5) to Nimitz Boulevard, turn left (south) at Nimitz; and left (north-east) at Chatsworth Boulevard. The church is 2 blocks on the left at the corner of Poinsettia and Chatsworth.

From the north: Going south on I-5, take Sea World Drive exit to Sunset Cliffs Boulevard (south); bear left to Nimitz Boulevard to Chatsworth. Turn left on Chatsworth to the church.

Please bring docket materials.

1. Commissioners requiring an excuse from the meeting should apply to the Stated Clerk via the presbytery web site at www.presbyterysd.org
2. Any committee chair desiring to meet with her/his committee must make arrangements with the host facility.
3. This meeting will include a dinner meal @ \$15.00 per meal and reservations are required. They can be made at ann@pointlomachurch.org. The deadline for reservations is Thursday, February 15th, 5 pm.

Upcoming Stated Presbytery Meetings 2018

Tuesday – May 15 - 4 pm – La Jolla Presbyterian Church
Tuesday – September 18 – 4 pm – Location to be determined
Tuesday – November 13 – 4 pm – Location to be determined

Pre-Presbytery Meeting: 3:00 p.m. in the Library

Conversation, Discussion and Questions about the Proposed Gracious Dismissal Policy

Announcements:

Building Bridges 2

The second annual Bi-National Gathering of San Diego and Baja Presbyteries will be Saturday, March 3, 2018, at God Speaks Today Church (Iglesia Dios Habla Hoy) in Tijuana.

You are invited to join Hispanic Ministry Council member organizations as they seek to share Christ's message of love, hope and reconciliation here in the Tijuana and San Diego region. Specific topics of "Building Bridges 2" will be poverty, immigration and violence. To make reservations by email, contact HMC Secretary Jpetul J'Ernantes at jjmayanmd1@yahoo.com; or by phone, call 619-813-4503. Participants will meet at 7:45 a.m. at Chula Vista Presbyterian Church to travel in 15-passenger vans to cross the border. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Cost per person is \$30. **PASSPORTS REQUIRED.**

Board of Pensions – Options and Opportunities

Board of Pensions Local Benefits Consultation

Wednesday, April 18th – 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

At the Solana Beach Presbyterian Church

Join us for this gathering for Pastors, Church Administrators and Benefits Decision Makers, Presbytery Staff, COM, CPM, and Key Leaders.

Leading us this day will be Frank Spencer, President of the Board of Pensions; John Matekovic, VP for Income Security (oversees our 403b program); Stew Beltz VP for Benefits (oversees our Medical benefits), and Clayton Cobb, your Regional Church Consultant.

Agenda for the day will include:

- Review of the theological values that shape our Benefits Plan and our work
- Preview of coming changes for 2019, and a review of our current offerings
- Share feedback and questions with our Board of Pensions staff and leadership
- Meet other benefit decision makers in the San Diego area
- Participate in a panel discussion with your peers.

Besides a better understanding of the benefits plan, all will take away suggestions and solutions for churches and employers of all sizes – small and large – to be the best employers they can be. This event is open to all who wish to attend.

Look for information to come soon, with Registration to open February 26th. Go to pensions.org/benefitsconnections for more information and updates. Or contact Clayton Cobb at ccobb@pensions.org, 267-844-2411

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Docket

3:30 p.m. Registration begins

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

4:00 p.m. **Call to Order & Prayer** The Rev. Elizabeth Wilson Manahan
(in the sanctuary)

Declaration of a Quorum; Approval of Docket & Consent Agenda

Only a simple request is needed to remove any item from the Consent Agenda. All items removed from the Consent Agenda will be considered under the report of the committee from which the item has been removed.

Welcome by Host Pastor – Pastor Karla Shaw

ENGAGE IN GOD'S WORK & WORSHIP

4:20 p.m. **Worship** with communion, installation of 2018 officers & necrology report

Rev. Elizabeth Wilson Manahan, Preaching, "We Are God's People", Ephesians 4
There will be an offering taken for the Monarch School.

5:30 p.m. **2018 Presbytery Moderator's Report** Elder Sue Skala
"We Are God's People"

5:50 p.m. **Greetings from Presbyterian Chaplains Board** Lyman Smith

ENGAGE IN FELLOWSHIP & DINNER

6:00 p.m. **Dinner Break** (dinner and the remainder of the meeting will be in the Life Center)

CONTINUE IN GOD'S WORK

7:00 **Nominating Committee** The Rev. Parrish Bridges

7:10 p.m. **Committee on Ministry –** The Rev. Mike Sedgwick

Presentation of the Rev. Jay Shirley for transfer of membership from Santa Barbara Presbytery

Presentation of the Rev. Joshua Kim to be received as a member-at-large

Presentation of the Rev. Alex Wirth for transfer of membership from Chicago Presbytery

8:00 p.m. **Executive Presbyter's Report –** Pastor Michael Mudgett

8:20 p.m. **Unfinished business, announcements & adjournment**

GO IN GOD'S NAME

Report of the Stated Clerk

The Stated Clerk reports the following:

1. That pursuant to the *Presbytery Manual of Operations, Part I*, the following will be the corporate officers of the Presbytery in 2018:

President – Executive Committee Moderator – Pastor Liz Wilson Manahan
Vice-President – Executive Committee Vice-Moderator – Elder Sue Skala
Secretary – Stated Clerk of the Presbytery – Pastor Bob Davis
Treasurer – Chair of the Budget Property & Finance – Pastor Greg Bostrom

2. That the offering at the November, 2017 meeting of San Diego Presbytery for Urban Life was \$758.23.
3. That the following is the imbalance report for 2018 (based on 12/31/16 totals):

Teaching Elder (Minister) members eligible to participate in Presbytery	125
Less Teaching Elders not participating in Presbytery	62
Net Teaching Elders participating	63
Ruling Elder commissioners determined by church membership	56
Ruling Elder members by office or CRE status with vote**	7
Net Ruling Elder participants	63
Net imbalance (ruling elders over teaching elders)	0

There are currently 125 Teaching Elder (Minster of Word and Sacrament) members of Presbytery; but 62 have been deemed to have “not participated” by virtue of not attending any of the meetings in 2017. They are subtracted from the number of those participating for the purpose of determining the imbalance. This calculation leaves 63 teaching elders active in the presbytery.

Based on 2016 statistics (the last full year with official reporting), each congregation of San Diego Presbytery is entitled to one (1) elder commissioner with the following exceptions:

La Jolla	5
Oceanside	2
Village	4
San Diego Korean	2
First San Diego	3
Palisades	2
Point Loma Community	4
Rancho Bernardo Community	6
Solana Beach	5

** In addition to the ruling elders representing each congregation, the following ruling elders are enrolled as members of Presbytery based upon their election to office for 2018. They are:

Presbytery Moderator -- Sue Skala (Point Loma Community)
Evangelism and Mission Chair – Lyn Lloyd-Smith (Village)
Ecclesiastical Committee Chair – Maurice Caskey (First, San Diego)
At-Large to Executive Committee – Holly Nolan (Westminster, Escondido)

Commissioned Ruling Elders (CRE) with Presbytery membership and vote are:

Paula Taylor (Solana Beach)
Chris Brewster (Orange Avenue)
William Tut (Sudanese)

4. That the Acting Stated Clerk received notice of the death of the Rev. David Ralph Burnight on December 19, 2017.
5. That the Acting Stated Clerk received notice of the death of Roberta Jeanne “Bobbie” McKee on January 3, 2018. She was an active member of Faith Presbyterian Church and, among a life of other service, was Moderator of the San Diego Presbytery in 1993.
6. That the transfer of the Rev. Jeff McCrory from Los Ranchos Presbytery is now complete.
7. That the transfer of the Rev. James Wilson from the Evangelical Covenant Order of Presbyterians (ECO) to San Diego Presbytery has been completed.
8. That the Investigating Committee convened to investigate a complaint against Minister X has declined to file charges.
9. That all official correspondence and communications received since the last meeting have been referred to the appropriate governing body, committee, commission or staff in accordance with the *Manual of Operations, Part I*.

Pastor Bob Davis
Acting Stated Clerk

Report of the Executive Committee

The Executive Committee met on January 23, 2018 and VOTED the following:

1. Confirmed the appointment of the Executive Moderator that Rev. Nathan Byrd would be the Vice-Moderator of the Committee in 2018.
2. VOTED to accept the invitation of the La Jolla Presbyterian Church that they host the May 15, 2018 meeting of Presbytery.
3. The total available in our fund from the Presbytery’s portion of the 2017 Peacemaking Offering was \$2,127.13. The Executive Committee VOTED that Evangelism and Mission Committee would be authorized to receive and make the determination about the distribution of those funds.

Pastor Liz Wilson Manahan

Consent Agenda

The Stated Clerk recommends the following:

1. That the proposed minutes of the Presbytery Stated meeting on November 14, 2017 be approved.
2. That the Standards for Ethical Conduct approved and in effect for San Diego Presbytery be reaffirmed for 2018.

Pastor Bob Davis, Acting Stated Clerk

The Committee on Ministry recommends the following:

1. Concurrence with the dissolution of the pastoral relation between the Rev. Kimberly Dawsey-Richardson and Fletcher Hills Presbyterian Church, effective December 31, 2017.
2. Contingent on the vote of Presbytery to approve receiving into membership the Minister X by transfer, that terms of call as the Associate Pastor of the Point Loma Community Presbyterian Church be approved effective, 2018:
3. Approval of the following Administrative Commission to install the Rev. Megan Cochran as Pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church, Pt. Loma on Saturday, March 3, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.:

The Rev. Kevin Womack – Presbytery Vice Moderator, Fletcher Hills Presbyterian
The Rev. Chris Lenocker – Point Loma Community Presbyterian
The Rev. Greg Bostrom – Christ Presbyterian Church, La Costa
The Rev. Shawna Bowman – First Presbyterian Church, Chicago, IL
Ruling Elder Bill Hodgkiss (Chair of WPC's PNC)
Ruling Elder Paula Hodgkiss
Ruling Elder Bob Pozos
Ruling Elder Annette Pozos
Ruling Elder Peggy Johnston
Ruling Elder Becky Wieder
Ruling Elder Em Cummins -- Point Loma Community Presbyterian
Ruling Elder Carol Lowe
Ruling Elder Avi Kaplan
Ruling Elder Tom Haine

Rev. Mike Sedgwick, Chair

Business to be presented and/or VOTED on the floor

The Nominating Committee recommends the following:

Pursuant to Manual of Administrative Operations, Section II.B.1.a., the Nominating Committee presents the following nominees for the Stated Clerk Search Committee:

Frances Lin (RE, RBCPC);
Doris McNeely (RE, Christ United);
Tom Wickstrom (RE, Northminster);
Jack Baca (TE, Village);
Gary Ziccardi (TE, Faith, Human Resources).

Rev. Parrish Bridges, Chair

The Committee on Ministry recommends the following:

1. That the Rev. Jay Shirley be examined for transfer of membership from Santa Barbara Presbytery (His Statement of Faith is listed at the end of this agenda)
2. That the Rev. Joshua Kim be examined for reception into San Diego Presbytery as a member-at-large. (His Statement of Faith is listed at the end of this agenda)
3. That Minister X be examined for membership by way of transfer (His Statement of Faith and Terms of Call will be in the supplemental material provided at the presbytery meeting).

Rev. Mike Sedgwick, Chair

Statement of Faith - Jay Shirley

I believe in the one living, true, and eternal God, creator of all things seen and unseen. I believe in the wonder, mystery, and unity of the Trinity. Humanity can only know of God's nature by that which has been revealed through Christ, the Scriptures, and the teaching of the Holy Spirit. It is through this revelation one can gain an understanding of the unconditional love and grace God demonstrated to reconcile a fallen world to himself through the death of Christ on the cross. Therefore, it is God and God alone who is worthy of our worship, honor and service. God reveals Himself by name to Moses as the great "I Am", describing His existence outside of time and space, in the "eternal now" being the same yesterday, today, and forever. Humanity was created perfect in the image of God, however through disobedience; sin brought the penalty of physical and spiritual death to all humankind. I believe God is faithfully fulfilling His promise made through Jesus Christ and the Scriptures in His constant seeking to reconcile the world to the perfect communion that God intended for humanity at Creation.

I believe in Jesus Christ, uniquely identified as the God-man, fully God and fully human. Conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of a woman, Jesus was raised by loving parents of humble means in the Jewish traditions. He grew in wisdom, stature, and in favor with God and all people. He proclaimed the reign of God, preached the Good News to the poor, healed the

sick, and released the captives. His ministry defined who He was and what we are to be. Jesus faced all the trials and temptations common to humanity, yet was sinless until His death on the cross, when He took all the sin of the world upon Himself, then becoming the perfect sacrifice. God raised Jesus from the dead, breaking the power of sin and death for all who are reconciled by grace in the name of Jesus.

The Holy Spirit is equal in power and glory to the Father and the Son. Ever present, the Spirit draws women and men into a relationship with God. They being convicted of sin and moved to repentance. The Spirit lives both in and through each believer to empower them to find comfort, guidance, and wisdom to share the message of the Gospel to the world. It was the Spirit that inspired the writers of the Scriptures to record infallibly the mind and will of God. The Spirit seeks unity in the church and gives it the power to persevere, increase, and be purified as it prepares to meet the bridegroom, the Lord Jesus on His return. The Spirit anoints the elect with spiritual gifts and calls elders and deacons to serve in obedience. That same Spirit gives us the power to pray without ceasing, courage to confront injustice, and zeal to work for peace as the church labors to bring hope to a lost and fallen world.

Baptism and Communion are the sacraments given to encourage and unite us with Christ and the Church as the sign and seal of God's covenantal claim on our lives. The Holy Spirit cleanses us, unites us to Christ, and marks us for covenant fellowship in the waters of baptism. This sacrament is a witness to the fact that God's love claims us even before we are able to respond in faith, that in Christ our sins are washed away and we are adopted into God's covenant family. The Holy Spirit nourishes and lifts our hearts and minds toward heaven as Christ is made spiritually present to us when we gather at the table to partake in the bread and cup. The sacrament bears witness to the selfless act of obedience of Jesus to bring honor and glory to the Father. Gathered together by the Word, bathed in the living water and fed at the feast, we are strengthened in faith to do justice, to walk humbly and to love freely as we await the joyful return of Christ and the bodily resurrection of the saints. Until that day the church is to walk in submission and obedience, yearning with all of nature for this great event, saying, "Come, Lord Jesus Come."

Statement of Faith by Joshua Myung Kim

God

God created the whole universe through His Word. He created man in the image of God and entrusted us with His creation. God is self-existent before eternity, all knowing, and active in time and space.

When man suffered death because of sin, God out of His great love, sent His son Jesus Christ. Christ came and died to save and forgive us through the shedding of His blood.

Jesus Christ

Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of God, both fully human and fully God. He came to this earth through the Virgin Mary in obedience to God's plan to save mankind.

Jesus came to this earth and experienced all the sufferings of man, and he poured out blood and water on the cross to wash away human sins. Yet, the power of death did not keep Jesus in the tomb. Jesus rose from the dead after three days, and showed proof of the resurrection to the people for 40 days.

He then ascended into heaven and is now at the right hand of God. He will return someday to judge His people. Faith in the resurrected Christ moves us from death to eternal life.

Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is one with God the Father and the Son, forming the Holy Trinity. The Spirit helps us, comforts us, brings about understanding, and guides us. He convicts us of our sins and helps us to repent. Only with the help of the Holy Spirit can we confess Jesus is our Savior, leading us to a beautiful life as a child of God.

Man and Sin

Man was made in the image of God but torn by the temptations of pride and Satan, man was punished to death. Man has sinned, but in him is a desire to seek God. Man cannot save himself, but is saved by God through grace.

The Bible

The Bible is the inerrant Word of God, written under divine inspiration to makes us aware of God's will for us and guide us to the kingdom. It convicts us of sin and gives us strength to overcome Satan's temptations.

The Church

A church is a community of faith called by God to draw us closer to Him. The visible Church on earth is the shadow of the invisible Church. The Church began on the day of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit came to the Saints who gathered and prayed in the upper room following Christ's resurrection.

The mission of the Church is to save dying souls. You who are commanded by Christ must know the meaning of being salt and light to the world. The Church must exist not separate from the world, but to save those in the world. The Church separated from society has lost its value as a church. Through domestic evangelism and overseas missions, we preach the gospel to the lost, which is the greatest mission of the Church.

Sacraments

Baptisms and the Lord's Supper are Sacraments given to us by Jesus. Baptism is a confession that I believe in Jesus and am a new creation- a child of God through Christ. The Lord's Supper is a profession of faith to remember Christ's death and resurrection. The bread and wine used in the Lord's Supper symbolizes Christ's broken body and blood.

God's Judgment

The Bible speaks of personal judgment and universal judgment. God judges us individually on how well we've kept His word. Universal judgment will happen on the day of Christ's return, when the dead will rise, and the living will see the Second Coming. No one knows the time of Christ's return but God.

Christian Responsibilities to Nature

God made nature for man, entrusting us to protect and steward His creation. As civilizations develop, people exploit and destroy nature in the name of development. The Church must obey God's command to protect and steward nature. God entrusted the world to us for our careful use and enjoyment with our children. If we do not fulfill this responsibility, we will be held accountable one day before God.

As a minister of the Presbyterian Church (USA), I accept the faith profession of the denomination and am faithfully fulfilling it.