

**THE PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY
NOTICE OF A MEETING
February 21, 2019**

Dear Presbyter:

Please note that Pittsburgh Presbytery will meet on **Thursday, February 21, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.** at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary.

The Docket for the meeting follows, as do the driving directions to the meeting site. If you accrue child care expenses to attend the meeting and wish to be reimbursed, please use this [online form](#) (link below).

Child Care Expense Reimbursement form at: <https://form.jotform.com/pghpresby/childcare-expense-reimbursement>

THERE WILL BE NO MISSION FAIR AT THIS MEETING DUE TO LIMITED SPACE.

PRIOR TO THE MEETING, there will be a presentation by Rev. Dr. Diane Givens Moffett, President and Executive Director of the Presbyterian Mission Agency on "The Matthew 25 Church". The presentation will be from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the John Knox Room. Pre-registration is not required.

Two communications are issued for Meetings of Pittsburgh Presbytery:

The **first** communication, this Notice of Meeting and Docket, is emailed no later than the tenth working day before each meeting to each commuter minister member of Presbytery and to each elder commissioner and mailed to those ministers and churches not having access to the Presbytery's website. Copies of the Notice and Docket for elder commissioners are emailed to the Clerk of Session of each particular church and must then be forwarded by the Clerk of Session to the church's particular elder commissioners.

The **second** communication is when meeting business materials are posted on the Pittsburgh Presbytery website: (www.pghpresbytery.org) no later than five business days before each meeting. **Each presbyter is responsible for downloading the meeting business materials from the Presbytery's website and to bring those materials with them to the meeting.** Business materials are mailed to those ministers and churches not having access to the Presbytery's website. Occasionally, last-minute meeting business materials may also be printed and distributed before the meeting at a publications table. A *very limited number* of meeting business materials packets will be available at each meeting from the Stated Clerk.

We look forward to being with you at the meeting.

Grace and peace,



Carla L. Campbell
Stated Clerk

Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Pittsburgh

February 21, 2019 – 1:00 p.m.

Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Rev. Dr. Trent Hancock (Outgoing Moderator); Rev. Steven Werth (Incoming Moderator)

Pittsburgh Presbytery is a covenant community

† formed by the triune God;

† called to share together in the ongoing life & ministry of Jesus Christ;

† proclaiming & demonstrating the Gospel publicly in word & deed in the power of the Holy Spirit.

PRE-PRESBYTERY EVENT

“The Matthew 25 Church” by Rev. Dr. Diane Givens Moffett

11:00 am – 12:30 p.m. in the John Knox Room

PRESBYTERY MEETING DOCKET

Gathering for the Work of the Presbytery

Welcome from the Moderator, Greetings from our Host, Introductions and Announcement of New Calls, and Recognition of Retiring Ministers.

Remarks from Rabbi Ron Symons, Senior Director of Jewish Life at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Pittsburgh, on the Response to the Tree of Life Tragedy

Adoption of the Docket and Consent Agenda and Announcement of the Intention to Introduce New Business

Worship and Celebration of the Contributions of African-American Churches

Rev. Dr. Diane Givens Moffett, President and Executive Director of the Presbyterian Mission Agency, will preach and Rev Nikki Porter (Eastminster Presbyterian Church) will lead music.

Who We Are & Presbytery Matters for Today

Installation of 2019 Presbytery Moderators

Board of Pensions report on new Healthy Pastors, Healthy Congregations program

East Branch Report on Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

General Minister’s Report – State of the Presbytery and search for new Director of Justice Ministries

Peacemaking Ministry Team Report – Rev. Matt Fricker’s Report on his return to Iraq

Stated Clerk’s Report

Vote on Proposed Constitutional Amendments 18-D, 18-E, 18-G, 18-H.1 and 18-H.2

Hearing from Our Commissions and Committees

Commission on Preparation for Ministry Report

Administrative Commission on Transformation Report

Executive Committee Report

Commission on Ministry Report

Committee on Nominations Report

Going Forth by God’s Grace to Serve

New Business

Report from the Roll Clerk, Words of Thanks and Closing Prayer

Directions to Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

616 North Highland Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15206
Phone (412) 362-5610

From the North and West

From 28, exit to the left onto the Highland Park Bridge. Proceed across bridge. Get in the right lane on the bridge and come off on the Butler Street exit. Merge onto Highway 8. Turn left at the first light onto One Wild Place. It comes up very quickly. The road winds up the hill past the Pittsburgh Zoo (on the left) and makes a sharp hairpin turn to the right near the top. You'll see a "Stop Except for Right Turn" sign. At the next intersection, make a left onto Bunker Hill Street. At the top of the hill, make a right onto Highland Avenue. Proceed down Highland Avenue to the Seminary, located on the left, one and a half blocks past the first traffic light.

From the South

Take 279 North to Pittsburgh. Go through the Fort Pitt Tunnel, bearing to the right out of the tunnel, then over the bridge. Follow Interstate 376 East to the Forbes Avenue (Oakland) exit. Go down Forbes Avenue to the 10th traffic light, Bellefield Ave. (Approximately 1.0 mile.) Turn left. Then turn right at the next light onto Fifth Avenue. Proceed through 10 traffic signals. (Approximately 1.6 miles.) Turn left at the 10th light onto Highland Ave. and continue through seven traffic lights (approximately 1.3 miles) to the Seminary, located on the right. Enter the grounds at the road beside the sign.

From the East

Take 376 West (Parkway East) to Pittsburgh. Exit off 376W to Route 8 at the Wilkinsburg Exit, #8B. Follow Penn Ave./Route 8 toward Wilkinsburg. Travel about 4 miles. Turn right at the stop light onto Highland Ave. The East Liberty Presbyterian Church will be on your left. Follow Highland Ave. past Peabody High School (on your left) to the Seminary, located on the right.

Please use the Seminary parking lot. **DO NOT PARK ON NORTH HIGHLAND AVENUE.**