

THE PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY
NOTICE OF A MEETING
May 3, 2018

Dear Presbyter:

Please note that the Pittsburgh Presbytery will meet on **Thursday, May 3, 2018, at 4:00 p.m.** at Glenshaw Presbyterian Church.

The Docket for the meeting follows, as do the driving directions to the meeting location, a Babysitting Expense Reimbursement Form, and a Meal Reservation Form. Please mail your dinner reservations with your check for \$8.00 made payable to "Pittsburgh Presbytery", to the Presbytery office by Monday, April 30, 2018 or reserve and pay online at https://www.jotform.com/pghpresby/presbytery_lunch_reservation_form.

A Mission Fair will precede the May meeting. With prior approval, presbytery-related groups may set up a Mission Fair table or booth to display materials and have someone on hand to interpret them before the meeting. **YOU MUST CONTACT Adrien Domske**, Administrative Assistant to the Stated Clerk at 412-697-9207 or adomske@pghpresbytery.org to reserve a Mission Fair table/display space **by April 30, 2018**.

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 Pittsburgh Presbytery

May 3, 2018 – 4:00 p.m.

Glenshaw Presbyterian Church

Rev. Dr. Trent Hancock (Moderator); Rev. Steven Werth (Sr. Vice-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 world & deed in the power of the Holy Spirit

PRESBYTERY MEETING DOCKET

Just as the mission of God in Christ gives shape and substance to the life and work of the Church, it is our sincere desire that the gatherings of Pittsburgh Presbytery also reflect the mission of God in Christ through the shape and substance of our meetings. Our daily lives and our gathered lives are times to glorify and enjoy God as a worshipful, covenant community. In that Spirit, this month's meeting will incorporate a spirit of Christian worship throughout the docket, with a special emphasis given to the Great Ends of the Church. (see F-1.01 and F-1.0304)

- 1. Call to Order, Moderator's Greeting & Call to Worship** **4:00 p.m.**
 - Opening Prayer
 - "Setting the Stage" for our Meeting Together
 - *Hymn of Praise
- 2. Introduction to Great Ends of the Church: Maintenance of Divine Worship**
 - Scripture Reading
 - Adoption of Docket
 - Announcement of Intention to Introduce New Business
- 3. Conversation on Great Ends of the Church: Shelter, Nurture, & Spiritual Fellowship of the Children of God**
 - Prayer of Confession and Assurance of God's Pardon
 - *Hymn/Song of Praise
 - Generosity Committee Report
 - North Branch Report: Rev. Brian Wallace
- 4. Conversation on Great Ends of the Church: Promotion of Social Righteousness**
 - Scripture Reading and Meditation
 - Freedom Rising Initiative Report
 - Offering and *Doxology
 - Prayers of Dedication and Intercession
 - Lord's Prayer

5. Conversation on Great Ends of the Church: Preservation of the Truth

Affirmation of Faith
Adoption of the Consent Agenda
Executive Committee Report
General Minister's Report

Fellowship Time & Dinner

Special Order of the Day 6:00 p.m.

In deference to those who will prepare the meal, the Moderator will make every effort to break for dinner as close to 6:00 p.m. as possible. Reservations and prepayment are required for dinner.

6. Conversation on Great Ends of the Church: Proclamation of the Gospel for the Salvation of Humankind

Commission on Preparation for Ministry Report
Commission on Ministry Report
Commissioning of Commissioners to 223rd General Assembly
Prayer of Dedication

7. Conversation on Great Ends of the Church: Exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the World

Stated Clerk's Report
Nominating Committee Report
New Business
Report from Roll Clerk and Words of Thanks
*Closing Prayer and Benediction

Directions to Glenshaw Presbyterian Church

FROM THE NORTH: Take ROUTE 8 SOUTH. Turn RIGHT onto SPENCER LANE which is a short connecting street that crosses the train tracks. Make a LEFT onto BUTLER PLANK ROAD/GLENN AVENUE. Drive approximately 0.8 miles and the church will be on your left.

FROM THE SOUTH: From PA-28, take ROUTE 8 NORTH. Drive 0.6 miles and turn LEFT onto GRANT AVENUE/MT. ROYAL BOULEVARD. Follow Mt. Royal Boulevard for 1.5 miles. Turn RIGHT onto GLENN AVENUE for 0.1 miles. The church will be located on your right.

To access the larger parking area, turn onto PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE near the church, and make a left into the church parking lot off of Pennsylvania Avenue. You can enter the church at any of the main doors.

PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE DRIVEWAY BETWEEN THE CHURCH AND THE EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTER. This area is demarcated with white diagonal lines.

IMPORTANT: Be careful to note that our meeting is being held at GLENSHAW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH on Glenn Avenue, not Glenshaw Valley Presbyterian church, which are close in name and proximity.

REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF BABYSITTING EXPENSES

PLEASE PRINT

Name: _____

Address: _____

City State Zip code

In order to be a commissioner at Pittsburgh Presbytery meeting on May 3, 2018, I incurred baby-sitting expenses as follows:

\$ _____ total; for hours _____ to _____ for _____ (# of children)

___ I am a minister OR ___ I am an elder commissioner from _____
(Church)

Signature

Submit bill as soon as possible to:
Stated Clerk's Office
Pittsburgh Presbytery
901 Allegheny Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15233

PRESBYTERY MEAL RESERVATION

Please make reservations for the following people for the meal at the presbytery meeting on May 3, 2018, at Glenshaw Presbyterian Church. Please indicate if anyone requires a vegetarian or gluten-free option. If making reservations and payment online, go to https://www.jotform.com/pghpresby/presbytery_lunch_reservation_form.

PLEASE PRINT YOUR INFORMATION BELOW IF MAILING FORM WITH CHECK!

Name

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- **RESERVATIONS** must be accompanied by checks made payable to "Pittsburgh Presbytery"
- **DEADLINE** for the reservation is Monday, April 30, 2018
- The **COST** of the meal is \$8.00 per person
- Phone or email reservations will not be accepted

Please mail this form **ALONG WITH YOUR CHECK FOR \$8.00**

per person to: Pittsburgh Presbytery
ATTN: Dorothy
901 Allegheny Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15233



ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED WITH PAYMENT AND RECEIVED AT THE PRESBYTERY OFFICE NO LATER THAN MONDAY, APRIL 30!