

DOCKET - Amended
HOLSTON PRESBYTERY
August 2, 2025 – **Stated Meeting**
First Presbyterian Church, Elizabethton, TN

9:00 AM **Registration and Breakfast** (*donations accepted for breakfast*)

10:00 AM **Call to Order**

Welcome & Introduction of Guests & First Time Commissioners

Introduction of New Business for today's Docket

Approve amended Docket for today's meeting

Consent Agenda

- Approve Enrollment of commissioners and minister members
- Declaration of Quorum
- Approve granting voice to visiting teaching elders and guests (*Keenan Rogers, Board of Pensions; Erin Skinner, Presbyterian Foundation*)
- Approve minutes from the February 2025 Stated Meeting
- Appointment of Committee on Thanks
- Appointment of Bills and Overtures Committee

Stated Clerk's Report (page 5)

First Greeneville has been approved to host the November Presbytery Meeting. **Please note the date change to November 11.**

There will be a session records review at Colonial Heights Presbyterian Church, Saturday, August 9, 2025, 9:00 AM. **This will be the last scheduled opportunity to have your session records reviewed.**

Book of Order requirement for records review:

G-3.0107 *Records*

Each council shall keep a full and accurate record of its proceedings. Minutes and all other official records of councils are the property in perpetuity of said councils or their legal successors. When a council ceases to exist, its records shall become the property of the next higher council within whose bounds the lower council was prior to its cessation. The clerk of each council shall make recommendation to that body for the permanent safekeeping of the body's records with the Presbyterian Historical Society or in a temperature and humidity controlled environment of a seminary of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

G-3.0108 *Administrative Review*

Higher councils shall review the work of lower councils in the following ways:

a. General Administrative Review

Each council shall review annually or biennially, based on the body's meeting frequency, the proceedings and actions of all entities related to the body, all officers able to act on behalf of the body, and lower councils within its jurisdiction. In reviewing the procedures of the lower council, the higher body shall determine whether the proceedings have been correctly recorded, have been in accordance with this Constitution, have been prudent and equitable, and have been faithful to the mission of the whole church. It shall also determine whether lawful injunctions of a higher body have been obeyed.

ACTION ITEM: Per a recommendation from the Greene County Administrative Commission, that the membership of the following congregations be dismissed to other Reformed bodies; and that the congregations be dissolved.

- **Mt. Hermon Presbyterian Church**
- **Zion Presbyterian Church**
- **Chuckey Presbyterian Church**
- **Barton Springs Presbyterian Church**

10:15 **Worship (worship bulletin is separate document)**

11:20 AM **Break**

11:30 AM **BUSINESS PORTION OF MEETING**

Presentations:

- Keenan Rodgers, Board of Pensions
- Erin Skinner, Presbyterian Foundation
- Rebecca Nunley, Chair of Disaster Response Team

11:50 AM **Reports Not Requiring Action**

- **Finance, Budget and Stewardship** (page 9)
- **Committee on Preparation for Ministry** (no report)
- **Nominations Committee** (no report)
- **Campus Ministry** (page 18)

- **Administration and Personnel** (page 15)
- **Administrative Commissions:**
 - Greene County Administrative Commission
 - Bethel Presbyterian Administrative Commission
- **Trustees** (page 19)

Staff Reports

Transitional Executive Presbyter (page 5)

Treasurer's Report – Financial Reports (page 10)

ACTION ITEM: approval of financial reports

Reports Requiring Action

Committee on Ministry

ACTION ITEM: COM requests that Rev. Gary Eller be granted voice and vote at Presbytery Meetings during his term as Interim Senior Pastor at First Presbyterian Church, Bristol.

ACTION ITEM: Change to the Manual of Administrative Operations – Family and Medical Leave Policy, First Reading

Mission and Discipleship

ACTION ITEM: Approve the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper for the Presbytery's Fall Youth Retreat.

Presbytery Feedback Form and Report

Promotions

Committee on Thanks

Joys and Concerns

Adjournment

Next Stated Meeting will be Tuesday, November 11 at First Presbyterian, Greeneville, TN