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# **Proceedings of Salem Presbytery – One Hundred Forty-Sixth Stated Meeting**May 13, 2025

### **SALEM ACTIONS:**

# Secured a Contract with an Interim Pastor /Transitional Minister:

 Rev. Mason Todd & New Hope PC, March 8, 2025 to September 7, 2025

# Secured a Stated Supply Renewal Contract between:

- Rev. Eveyln Crews & Springwood PC, April 1, 2025 to March 30, 2026
- Rev. Stephen Jordan & Pleasant Grove PC, March 1, 2025 to February 28, 2026
- Rev. Kymberley Hoffman & St. Paul PC, High Point, April 6, 2025 to April 5, 2026
- Rev. Susanne Martin & First Thomasville PC, April 9, 2025 to April 8, 2026
- Rev. Will Eads & Francisco PC, April 22, 2025 to April 21, 2026
- Rev. Will Eads & Collinstown PC, April 22, 2025 to April 21, 2026

#### **Secured Parish Associate Agreement between:**

• Rev. Travis Milam & Clemmons PC, January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025

### Renewed Parish Associate Agreement between:

- Rev. Stephanie Hankins & Rumple Memorial
  PC, December 16, 2024 to December 15, 2025
- Rev. David Henry & Rumple Memorial PC, December 16, 2024 to December 15, 2025
- Rev. John Johnson & First PC, Burlington, January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025

#### Sabbatical Approval:

- Rev. Jessica Rigel
- Rev. Thom Burleson

### **Appointed Moderator of Session:**

- Rev. David Henry at Baird's Creek PC
- Rev. Thom Burleson at Pilot Mountain PC
- Rev. Bill Hoyle at Thyatira PC

#### Renewed CRE Contract between:

- CRE Steven Stiles & Milton PC, for one year beginning March 9, 2025
- CRE James Harley & Freedom PC, for one year beginning February 1, 2025
- CRE Shannon Langston & Bethesda PC, Statesville, for one year beginning March 1, 2025
- CRE Steve Braxton & Trinity PC, Elon, for one year beginning March 15, 2025
- CRE Tim Glaser & Cleveland PC, for six months beginning March 1, 2025

### **Minister Transferring into Salem Presbytery:**

• Rev. Myron Miller was received from Presbytery of Tropical Florida

#### **Validated Ministry Approved:**

 Meagan Kelly with UKirk Greensboro, Parkway PC and St. Andrews PC

### Minister Transferring out of Salem Presbytery:

- Rev. Keith Curl-Dove transferred to Presbytery of Seattle
- Rev. Ernest Thompson transferred to Presbytery of New Hope

# Dissolution of Pastoral Relationships where both Parties Agree:

 Rev. Alberta McLaughlin and Dellabrook PC effective February 16, 2205

#### Removal from Salem Presbytery Roll:

• Rev. Laura Spangler effective March 13, 2025

# Authorized to Preside at Celebration of the Lord's Supper:

- Rev. Ruth Lenger at a neutral location within the bounds of Salem Presbytery on May 1, 2025
- Elder Rachael Brooks at Shallowford PC on June 1, 2025

Approved that retired clergy transferring into Salem Presbytery who are not seeking to actively serve in Presbytery ministry (i.e., on committees, on the pulpit supply list, etc.) be exempt from full examination and that the Executive Presbyter's check suffice.

# Approved individuals to fill vacancies on Presbytery committees:

### **Budget & Finance:**

Class of 2026 - Tara Sandercock

#### **Church Growth & Transformation:**

Class of 2025 – Ginny Taylor Troutman Class of 2026 – Leslie Loyd

# COM-Task Force on Ministry for the Changing Church:

Class of 2027 - Christopher Speaks

# **COM-Task Force for Transitions in Ministry (For installed positions):**

Class of 2027 - David Smith

# COM-Task Force on Policy, Compensation, Mediation and Church Officer Development:

Class of 2027 - Donna Hines

### CPM:

Class of 2026 – Martha Schronce Class of 2027 – Susan Stewart

#### Personnel:

Class of 2027 - Margaret Elliot

### PJC:

Class of 2030 – Wes Pitts Class of 2030 – Charles Younce

# Elected to Serve as Moderator of Salem Presbytery:

Rev. Matt Bussell effective at the conclusion of the February 2026 meeting of Presbytery

**Reviewed the 2024 Necrology** for Ministers and Ruling Elders in Salem; the Presbytery was led in prayer by the Stated Clerk.

**Ronda Tatum with Budget & Finance** presented Salem Presbytery's statement of financial position and statement of activities.

#### SALEM:

 Participated in worship and celebrated the Lord's Supper under the leadership of Salem Presbytery's Black Caucus, Rev. Andrew Taylor-Troutman and Rev. Ginny Taylor-Troutman,

- with the sermon from Rev. Eric Williams based on Mark 7
- A Land Acknowledgement statement was offered by Elder Beth Hooten, to recognize Indigenous Peoples who are the original stewards of the lands on which we now live
- Received reports from Executive Presbyter Tony De La Rosa, Designated Presbyter Jodi Lingan and Stated Clerk Paul Sink
- Received a report from Commissioner Elder Lee Woods on the 255th Assembly of the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic. This included the presentation of a Synod Small Church Grant check to Freedom Presbyterian Church.
- Received reports from the Executive Council, Budget & Finance, Church Growth & Transformation, COM, Task Force on Examinations, COR, CPM, Peace and Justice Task Force, Salem Task Force on Reviving Ministry (STORM), and EQUIP (see packet details)

Next Presbytery meeting will be held at Elkin Presbyterian Church in Elkin Tuesday, August 5, 2025