

To: Teaching Elder and Ruling Elder Commissioners

### **Notice of Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Transylvania**

The Presbytery of Transylvania will meet on Saturday, January 26, 2019, at First Presbyterian Church, 130 Windridge Drive, Winchester, KY 40391. (The Presbytery thanks the pastor, staff, elders and members of First Presbyterian Church for hosting the presbytery meeting.)

The Presbytery convenes at 10:00 AM. Registration opens at 9:00 AM. Lunch will be provided at the meeting at a cost of \$8.00. If you should need childcare, please respond to Robyn at [rjustus@transypby.org](mailto:rjustus@transypby.org) by Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup>.

If you are unable to attend, please request an excused absence from the Stated Clerk. Email: [statedclerk@transypby.org](mailto:statedclerk@transypby.org). To find the proposed docket, business items and reports, use the following link on the presbytery's website: <https://transypby.org/january-26-2019-presbytery-meeting/> Please email Robyn at [rjustus@transypby.org](mailto:rjustus@transypby.org) with the names of your commissioners so that a printed nametag can be provided.

If you have questions or need further information, please respond to the email address above.

The meeting will include Worship with the Sacrament of Communion, consideration of proposed constitutional amendments from the 223<sup>rd</sup> General Assembly, reports, recognizing changes in pastoral leadership, and time for fellowship.

Presbytery Moderator Ward will present his theme for the year and has provided these words as an introduction:

#### ***LIFE TOGETHER: A GENERATIVE CONVERSATION***

Among the various aspects of our lives as disciples of Jesus Christ is our calling to share *life together*. From the Lord's Prayer to Paul's instructions to various communities, it is clear that the Christian life, at its fullest, was and is intended to be a life together, with all of the possibilities and problems that accompany the sharing of life with others. Over the course of this year's presbytery meetings we will engage conversations regarding our life together, beginning with these simple questions...

\*What do you imagine Jesus had in mind when he thought about his disciples' (then and now) life together? What scriptures come to your mind that provide insight into his imagination?

\*Recall occasions in your own experience when you caught a glimpse of Jesus' imagination realized.

\*What might be the possibilities of, and barriers to, sharing life together in the Presbyterian Church (USA), Transylvania Presbytery, and/or your particular congregation?

Jot down some of your thoughts. We will use those thoughts to guide subsequent conversations concerning our *life together*.

God's blessings to each one and see you soon in Winchester.  
The Rev. Jerry L. Utt, II Stated Clerk