

**PRESBYTERY OF TRANSYLVANIA
COMMISSION ON REPRESENTATION
November 14, 2020**

The Commission on Representation shall be composed of six members who shall be nominated by the Coordinating Commission and elected by the Presbytery. It is tasked with an intentional purpose: to ensure the church's commitment to inclusiveness and the principles of unity and diversity (per G-3.0103).

Current membership of the COR:

1. Mary Reed, Chair	Teaching Elder	Retired	2022
2. Gayle Burns	Ruling Elder	Buckhorn Lake	2021
3. David Hoskins	Ruling Elder	Corbin	2021
4. Diehl Ackerman	Ruling Elder	Morehead, Faith	2021
5. Schuyler Olt	Teaching Elder	Carlisle	2021
6. Jean Harney	Ruling Elder	Danville	2022

Below is a roster of commissions, ministries and other positions within the Presbytery. Those in **bold print** are recommended for nomination:

MODERATOR			
Scott Cervas	Teaching Elder	Lex., Meadowthorpe	2022
VICE-MODERATOR			
Julie Olt	Teaching Elder	Cynthiana	2023
STATED CLERK			
Jerry Utt	Teaching Elder	Versailles, Troy	2021
TREASURER			
Sara Benedetti	Teaching Elder	At-Large	2023

COORDINATING COMMISSION

Chair, _____

1. Linda Crawford	Past Moderator	Ruling Elder	Lex. Second	2021
2. Scott Cervas	Moderator	Teaching Elder	Lex., Meadowthorpe	2022
3. Julie Olt	Vice-Moderator	Teaching Elder	Cynthiana	2023
4. Kathy Fish		Ruling Elder	Corbin	2021
5. Andrew Bowman		Teaching Elder	Somerset, First	2021
6. Tom Burns		Ruling Elder	Buckhorn Lake	2022
7. Helen Miller		Ruling Elder	Versailles, Troy	2022
8. Matt Falco		Teaching Elder	Lex., Maxwell St.	2023
9. John White		Teaching Elder	At-Large	2023

The voting members of the Coordinating Commission (CC) shall be: the current Moderator of Presbytery, the current Vice-Moderator of Presbytery, the immediate Past Moderator of Presbytery; and six other members of the Presbytery, formed into 3 classes of 2 each, with each class a term of three years, and nominated by the Commission on Representation and elected by the Presbytery at the annual meeting. The CC shall set forth mission directions, goals, objectives and priorities as it is guided by the Presbytery’s Mission Statement, shall regularly review the Presbytery’s Mission Statement, and, together with all Commissions and Ministries of the Presbytery, shall be responsible for coordinating the work of the Presbytery between its meetings and for ensuring that the decisions made by the Presbytery are carried out.

ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION

Chair, Susan Warren

Advisory Member, Sara Benedetti (Treasurer)

1. Ted Kuster	Ruling Elder	Paris, First	2021
2. Jim Olive	Ruling Elder	Georgetown, First	2021
3. Susan Warren	Teaching Elder	Retired	2022
4. Rachel Mathews	Teaching Elder	Lex., Maxwell St.	2022
5. Sue Lake	Ruling Elder	Cynthiana	2023
6. Michael Denney	Teaching Elder	Lancaster	2023

The Administration Commission shall be composed of six (6) members. The duties of the Commission shall include serving as the Trustees of the Presbytery, and having responsibility for Accounting, Budgeting, and Staff Services. The Treasurer of the Presbytery shall serve as an advisory member with voice and without vote.

CLOSING COMMISSION

Chair, Curtis Christian

1. Larry Snyder	Ruling Elder	Versailles, Troy	2021
2. Cathy Thomas	Ruling Elder	Morehead, Faith	2023
3. Curtis Christian	Teaching Elder	Richmond, First	2023
4. Jerry Utt	Teaching Elder	Versailles, Troy	2023
5. Nik Fegenbush	Ruling Elder	Mt. Sterling	2023

The Closing Commission shall counsel with congregations that have indicated their desire to end their relationship with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) or those that have reached the completion of their effective ministry. This commission shall receive referrals from the Presbytery, the Commission on Congregational Issues or the Coordinating Commission. This commission shall determine a course of action, either division, dismissal, or dissolution, negotiate the terms of such action, and recommend it to the Presbytery for final approval. Such negotiations include consultation with the Administrative (Trustees) Commission.

CONGREGATIONAL ISSUES COMMISSION
Chair, Kathy Riley

1. Jennifer Marsh	Ruling Elder	Corbin	2021
2. Janice Stamper	Teaching Elder	At-Large	2021
3. Scott Cervas	Teaching Elder	Meadowthorpe	2022
4. Kathy Riley	Teaching Elder	Validated Ministry	2022
5. Bill Turner	Ruling Elder	Winchester, Salem	2023

The Congregational Issues Commission will assist congregations with any difficult issues that arise, including conflictual situations and complaints involving the actions of teaching and ruling elders. Formal complaints that rise to the level of a disciplinary case will not be handled by this commission, but will be referred to the Presbytery’s Permanent Judicial Commission. The Congregational Issues Commission also will work with congregations that might need assistance in dealing with concerns related to congregational life that are not conflict situations, but in which outside consultation might be helpful. This commission will work closely with Church Development to help focus resources on congregational health and vitality. In addition, this commission may work closely with the Pastoral Transitions Commission if issues arise in congregations with temporary pastors or that are in transition. The commission will also undertake other responsibilities as assigned by the Presbytery or Coordinating Commission. This commission may recruit, seek additional help and build teams with people not on the commission for short-term projects when necessary.

COMMISSION ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY
Chair, Keith Benze

1. Stephen Fearing	Teaching Elder	Lex, Beaumont	2021
2. Ginny Shanda	Ruling Elder	Lex, First	2021
3. Rollin Tarter	Teaching Elder	Retired	2021
4. Linda Kurtz	Teaching Elder	Lex, First	2021
5. Griffin Phillips Ryan	Teaching Elder	London, First	2022
6. Missie Woods	Ruling Elder	Pisgah Versailles	2022
7. Cynthia Pennington	Ruling Elder	Lex., Second	2022
8. Stephen Sanders	Teaching Elder	Prestonsburg	2022
9. Keith Benze	Teaching Elder	Versailles	2023
10. Diehl Ackerman	Ruling Elder	Morehead, Faith	2023
11. David Whiteman	Ruling Elder	Winchester, First	2023
12. Tallu Smith	Ruling Elder	Cynthiana	2023

The Commission on Preparation for Ministry shall be composed of twelve (12) members; half of whom shall be Teaching Elder members of the Presbytery and half of whom shall be elders. The Commission shall fulfill the functions related to the process of preparation for ordination as Teaching Elder and shall provide for the training, and nurture of Ruling Elders who apply to become Commissioned Lay Pastors (CLP’s).

PASTORAL TRANSITIONS COMMISSION

Chair, Lisa Eye
Vice-Chair, Julie Olt

1. Juanita Spangler	Ruling Elder	Whitesburg	2021
2. Julie Olt	Teaching Elder	Cynthiana	2021
3. Bill Reed	Ruling Elder	Lexington, First	2021
4. Janice Stamper	Teaching Elder	At-Large	2022
5. Lisa Eye	Teaching Elder	Corbin	2022
6. Eric Schonblom	Ruling Elder	Buckhorn	2022
7. Jim Gilbert	Teaching Elder	Retired	2023
8. Erin Rouse	Teaching Elder	Validated Ministry	2023
9. Barbara Rogers	Ruling Elder	Lex., Hunter	2023

The Pastor Transitions Commission shepherds a congregation from the moment a Pastoral leader decides to leave, is removed from office or retires until a new leader is formally installed. This commission would be responsible for working with the Session to determine the best course of action for a congregation searching for new, *permanent* leadership, including all the various steps of the PNC process including examining and receiving the new Teaching Elder/CRE, approving any Interim contracts and new terms of call. They would also work on a suggested Installation Commission for the newly called Pastor. The design of this commission would be to create a “turn-key” process to ease the burden, eliminate the confusion and lower the anxiety for congregations in transition. They would also recommend Presbytery minimum terms of call each year after a thorough evaluation of national and local salary trends. This commission shall appoint moderators to Sessions of churches with leadership vacancies due to the search process and other duties assigned by the Presbytery or Coordinating Commission. This commission may recruit, seek additional help, and build teams with people not on the commission for short-term projects when **necessary**.

PERMANENT JUDICIAL COMMISSION

1. Bill Owens	Ruling Elder	Danville	2021
2. Mark Davis	Teaching Elder	Lexington, First	2021
3. Catesby Woodford	Ruling Elder	Mt. Sterling, First	2022
4. Caroline Kelly	Teaching Elder	Danville	2022
5. Kristy Ehlert	Teaching Elder	Validated Ministry	2024
6. David Hoskins	Ruling Elder	Corbin	2026
7. Angie Hatton	Ruling Elder	Whitesburg	2026

In accordance with D-5, the Presbytery shall elect, by nomination from the COR, a Permanent Judicial Commission, as outlined in the *Book of Order*, D-5.0000.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION MINISTRY

Ryan Shrauner _____	Teaching Elder Ruling Elder	Validated Ministry _____	2023 Chair 2022 Vice-Chair
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The Christian Formation Ministry shall be comprised of a Chair and Vice-Chair (one being a Teaching Elder, the other being a Ruling Elder). The Chair and Vice-Chair may appoint additional members as needed for the mission of this Ministry, seeking to uphold parity Teaching Elders and members of congregations and honoring the full diversity of the Presbytery in representation. This Ministry shall be responsible for coordinating the Presbytery’s work in strengthening and supporting congregations in their faithful discipleship through Biblical and theological knowledge and spiritual formation and areas of mission including youth, young adults and campus ministry.

CHURCH DEVELOPMENT & REVITALIZATION MINISTRY

Jim Dougans	Ruling Elder	Maysville	2022	Chair
Karen Hartsfield	Teaching Elder	At-Large	2021	Vice-Chair

The Church Revitalization and Development Ministry exists to work with current churches engaging in revitalization and transformation efforts and to promote and encourage the development of new worshipping communities.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY

Beth Garrod-Logsdon	Teaching Elder	Wilmore	2023	Chair
Melissa Sevier	Teaching Elder	Retired	2021	Vice-Chair

The Leadership Development Ministry would oversee the content and schedule of Leadership Development for the Presbytery. While there is overlap with the area of Christian formation, this group would look at issues of conflict management, leadership, organizational change, and the need for adaptive change process. This group would be tasked with the training, oversight and continued education of Commissioned Ruling Elders. They would also work with newly ordained clergy, Pastors new to the Presbytery and consider developing a coaching program for clergy. This group would provide Sexual Misconduct Prevention Training at regular intervals to insure that all Teaching Elders and employees of Transylvania Presbytery, and any volunteers under the supervision of Transylvania Presbytery, including officers, those serving on its Commissions and Ministries, boards and support of its programs, may be trained every five years

MISSION MINISTRY

Donald Stanley	Teaching Elder	Winchester, Salem	2022	Chair
Lucy Waterbury	Ruling Elder	Richmond-First	2022	Vice- Chair

The Mission Ministry shall be comprised of a Chair and Vice-Chair (one being a Teaching Elder, the other being a Ruling Elder). The Chair and Vice-Chair may appoint additional members as needed for the mission of this Ministry, seeking to uphold parity Teaching Elders and members of congregations and honoring the full diversity of the Presbytery in representation. This Ministry shall seek to strengthen and support congregations in their mission to their communities and to the world, and to assist in coordinating mission opportunities within the Presbytery.

REPRESENTATIVES TO OTHER GOVERNING BODIES AND AGENCIES

COMMISSIONERS TO SYNOD OF LIVING WATERS

Ginny Shanda	Ruling Elder	Lexington, First	2021
Karen Hartsfield	Teaching Elder	At-Large	2021
Jim Dougans	Alternate Ruling Elder	Maysville	2021
Tim Noel	Alternate Teaching Elder	Berea, Whites Mem.	2021

SYNOD OF LIVING WATERS – PERMANENT JUDICIAL COMMISSION

Rachel Anderson	Teaching Elder	Mt. Horeb	2024
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SYNOD OF LIVING WATERS –NOMINATING

George Rothwell	Ruling Elder	Winchester, Salem	2021
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**ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE KENTUCKY COUNCIL OF CHURCHES
DELEGATES 2020**

Hank Graddy	Ruling Elder	Pisgah Presbyterian Church, Versailles
Linda Kurtz	Teaching Elder	First Presbyterian Church, Lexington
Lawrence Monroe	Ruling Elder	First Presbyterian Church, Hazard
Michael Ward	Teaching Elder	Walnut Hill Church, Lexington
Lucy Waterbury	Ruling Elder	First Presbyterian Church, Richmond