

Church Closings/Dismissals Commission
Presbytery of Transylvania
August 14, 2021

The commission met at on Thursday, July 15, 2021, at First Presbyterian Church, Winchester, KY, and Thursday, July 29, 2021, at Old Springfield Presbyterian Church, Owingsville, KY.

Recommendations to Presbytery:

- The commission recommends that, at the request of the remaining members, the Manchester Presbyterian Church be dissolved; that its records be secured and sent to the Presbyterian Historical Society in Philadelphia, PA; that the Administration Commission be charged with appraising and selling the church property.
- The commission recommends that, at the request of the remaining members, the Hull Memorial Presbyterian Church, Hazard, KY, be dissolved; that its records be secured and sent to the Presbyterian Historical Society in Philadelphia, PA; that the Closing and Dismissals Commission and Administration Commission work together to bring a proposed disposition of the church building and lot to a future meeting of the Presbytery.
- The commission recommends that the Old Springfield Presbyterian Church be dissolved; that its records be secured and sent to the Presbyterian Historical Society in Philadelphia, PA; that the Closing and Dismissals Commission meet with interested parties to determine the best course of action to further the ministry of the Old Springfield community and historic cemetery and transfer the church property in light of these discussions.

For Presbytery Information:

- The commission continues to work with churches that have requested dissolution or dismissal.
- The commission will work to engage churches that have not participated in presbytery functions and seek to reengage them with the presbytery's fellowship and mission.