

**Agenda for the Stated Meeting
of the Presbytery of Geneva
Tuesday, January 27, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.
at First Presbyterian Church of Penn Yan
The Rev. Paul Malles, Host Pastor**

*Together, we pray, play, and energize our congregations to live out the Good News of Jesus Christ.
Together, we lift up each other in love.
Together, we call others into the circle of God's grace.*

Proposed Docket

- 9:00 a.m. Registration

We Gather In God's Name

- 9:30 a.m. Call to Order/Presbytery convened with prayer
 - Declaration of a Quorum
 - Enrollment of Corresponding Members
 - Welcome of New Elder Commissioners
 - Approval of the Docket
 - Installation of the Moderator and Vice-Moderator
 - Report of the Stated Clerk
 - Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting
 - Welcome from the Host Church
 - Resolution of Thanks

We Hear the Word of God

- 9:45 a.m. Worship

We Respond to the Word of God

- 10:15 a.m. 1.0 General Council
- 10:20 a.m. 2.0 Nominations
- 10:25 a.m. 3.0 Committee on Ministry
 - 3.1 Hedgesville AC and Hedgesville Church Presentation
- 10:35 a.m. 4.0 Budget and Finance
- 10:50 a.m. 5.0 Camp Whitman
- 10:55 a.m. 6.0 Committee on Preparation for Ministry
(if time does not allow, CPM report will be delayed until March)
- 11:05 a.m. 7.0 PW Women
- 11:10 a.m. 8.0 Report of the SARC
- 11:15 a.m. 9.0 Working towards Healing - Time for Talking

We Go Forth to Share God's Word

- 11:45 a.m. Closing prayer and adjournment

As you go...

- **What have you learned about the Presbytery today?**
- **Who have you gotten to know better today?**
- **What blessings have you shared today?**

Future Presbytery Dates

- **Saturday, March 14, 2015 – Palmyra/Western Presbyterian Church**
- **Tuesday, May 19 – Bath**
- **Saturday, September 19 – Lyons**

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Installation of Moderator and Vice-Moderator of Presbytery for 2015

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE Moderator

Gal. 3:27–28 and Eph. 4:1–6

As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.

Lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

There is one body and one Spirit, just as we were called to the one hope of our calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

We are called by God to be the church of Jesus Christ,
a sign in the world today of what God intends for all humankind.

The great ends of the church are

- the proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind;
- the shelter, nurture, and spiritual fellowship of the children of God;
- the maintenance of divine worship;
- the preservation of the truth;
- the promotion of social righteousness;
- and the exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world.

The call of Christ is to willing, dedicated discipleship.

Our discipleship is a manifestation of the new life we enter through baptism.

Discipleship is both a gift and a commitment, an offering and a responsibility.

We call today to service for the Presbytery of Geneva for the year 2015, our Moderator *David Kilgore* and our Vice-Moderator *Richard (Dick) Schied* *David* and *Dick*, would you like to say anything at this time?

Moderator:

David and Dick,

the grace bestowed on you in baptism
is sufficient for your calling
because it is God's grace.
By God's grace we are saved,
and enabled to grow in the faith
and to commit our lives in ways which serve Christ.
God has called you to particular service.
Show your purpose by answering these questions.

Who is your Lord and Savior?

Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his word and showing his love?

I will, with God's help.

Do you welcome the responsibility of this service

because you are determined to follow the Lord Jesus, to love neighbors,
and to work for the reconciling of the world?

I do.

Will you serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love,
relying on God's mercy and rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit?

I will, with God's help.

Do you, members of the Presbytery of Geneva, confirm the call of God to our brother
David as Moderator of the Presbytery of Geneva and to Dick as Vice-Moderator
of the Presbytery of Geneva in the service of Jesus Christ?

We do.

Will you support and encourage them in this ministry?

We will.

INSTALLATION PRAYER

Faithful God, in baptism you claimed us; and by your Holy Spirit you are working in our
lives, empowering us to live a life worthy of our calling. We thank you for leading
David and Dick to this time and place. Establish them in your truth, and guide them by
your Holy Spirit, that in your service they may grow in faith, hope, and love, and
be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and
glory, now and forever.

CHARGE

Col. 3:17

David you are installed to service as Moderator of the Presbytery of Geneva
Dick you are installed to service as Vice Moderator of the Presbytery of Geneva.
Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks to God through him.

BLESSING

1 Thess. 5:23

May the God of peace make you holy in every way, and keep your whole being,
spirit, soul, and body, free from every fault at the coming of our Lord Jesus
Christ. Amen.

Reports to the Presbytery

January 27, 2015 – Penn Yan, New York

GENERAL COUNCIL

FOR PRESBYTERY'S ACTION

The General Council VOTED to recommend that the presbytery:
(Park Presbyterian Church / Administrative Commission)

1. **Approve** the dissolution of the Administrative Commission for Park Presbyterian Church, Newark, NY, effective January 27, 2015, with gratitude for their service on behalf of the session and the presbytery.
2. **Return** original jurisdiction to the newly-elected session, effective January 27, 2015.

FOR PRESBYTERY'S INFORMATION

The General Council VOTED to:

(Proposed Amendments to the *Constitution*)

1. **Approve distribution** of the *Proposed Amendments to the Constitution* booklet during the January presbytery meeting, with action to be taken during the March presbytery meeting.
2. **Direct** Karen Jensen to order an additional 30 copies from the Office of the General Assembly, to be available in March for those who did not previously receive copies.

(Contacts in Case of Disaster or Emergency)

3. **Designate** Elder Donna Colvin and Karen Jensen as contacts for the Yates County Sheriff's Office, in the case of an emergency or disaster.

(Corning, First / Interim Co-Pastor Contracts)

4. **Authorize** Committee on Ministry Co-Chair Deborah Lind-Schmitz to sign the Co-Interim Pastor Contracts between the session of First Presbyterian Church, Corning, NY for the Rev. James Moore and the Rev. Banu Moore.