

**PRESBYTERY OF GENEVA
STATED MEETING OF MAY 23, 2023
CAMP WHITMAN and ZOOM.US
PROPOSED DOCKET**

Our Presbytery Purpose:

*The Presbytery of Geneva lives to support and equip congregations and leaders
to be Christ in the Finger Lakes and the world.*

Our Vision:

*Radiating the light of Christ, the Presbytery of Geneva thrives as a community of servants,
lifting up every congregation and leader in ministering together.*

- 9:00 AM** **Registration and fellowship time (through 10:00 AM)**
- 10:00 AM** **Call to Order, Declaration of Quorum, and Opening Prayer**
- 10:10 AM** **Introductory Business**
Call for New Business & Approval of the Docket
Acknowledgment of the First Stewards of the Land [TE Paul Malles (Penn Yan, First)]
- 10:20 AM** **Consent Agenda & Clerk's Report**
- 10:30 AM** **A Moment to Grieve**
Response: May we reach out in honesty and love.
- 10:40 AM** **Call to Worship**
In the midst of a world where people hunger and thirst . . .
come worship a God who feeds the hungry.
In the midst of a world where people are abused and oppressed . . .
come worship a God who calls for compassion and justice.
In the midst of a world filled with wars and rumors of war . . .
come worship a God who desires nothing less than peace for the world.
In the midst of a world of spiritual emptiness . . .
come worship a God who gives life meaning.
Come worship a God whose grace and love know no end.
- 10:45 AM** **Committee on Camp Whitman** [TE Colin Pritchard (Geneva) and RE Lea Kone (Camp Dir.)]
Review of Camp Updates
- 10:55 AM** **First Presbyterian Church Hammondsport: Sale and Dissolution**
*The Session and Congregation of the First Presbyterian Church Hammondsport,
with the concurrence of the Committee on Operations and the General Council of the
Presbytery of Geneva, moves the Presbytery to:*
1. Approve the sale of the First Presbyterian Church Hammondsport property to Wellspring Hammondsport for \$1. Authorize and direct the Session of the First Presbyterian Church Hammondsport to take all actions useful and necessary to close the transaction on behalf of the Presbytery of Geneva and the First Presbyterian Church Hammondsport.
 2. Concur with the congregation's vote to dissolve the First Presbyterian Church Hammondsport, effective the date of the closing day of the property sale or as soon thereafter as practicable.
 3. Recommend that any remaining funds from church accounts after the sale be distributed based on the recommendations of the First Presbyterian Church Hammondsport as follows : Presbytery of Geneva Reserve Funds (50%), Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (50%)
 4. Concur with the Session to conduct a worship celebration of the ministry of the First Presbyterian Church Hammondsport Presbyterian Church on Saturday, June 17, 2023 at 2 PM to be held at the First Presbyterian Church Hammondsport.

- 11:05 AM** **Final Report of the AC for The Presbyterian Church of Atlanta**
 Receive the Final Report
 Dissolve The Presbyterian Church of Atlanta, effective final distribution of funds
 Service of Thanksgiving
- 11:25 AM** **Committee on Operations** [TE David Ashby (AL)]
- 11:30 AM** **Worship & the Lord's Supper** [TE Leah Ntuala (Seneca Falls, First), presiding]
 Gathering Song [led by TE Colin Pritchard (Geneva)]
 Scripture Lesson
 Lectio Divina [led by TE Anita Milne (Waterloo, First)]
 Communion
- 12:00 PM** **Lunch**
- 12:30 PM** **Committee on Vitality** [TE Leah Ntuala (Seneca Falls, First)]
 Minute for Mission: Cohocton
- 12:35 PM** **Committee on Ministry** [RE Beth Newell (Geneva)]
 Examination for Ordination: Michelle Serra, Candidate for Ministry
- 12:55 PM** **Bills and Overtures Task Group** [TE Evan Hansen (Elmira, North) & RE Virginia Champlin (Geneva)]
 22-I – G-2.0804 TERMS OF CALL
 - Adds the requirement of a minimum of twelve weeks of paid family leave in terms of call for all installed pastors/associate pastors.
 22-S – G-4.0301 TRUST AND CONFIDENTIALITY
 - Expands and clarifies “confidentiality” requirements for ministers and commissioned pastors.
 22-GG – REPLACING THE CURRENT “RULES OF DISCIPLINE” WITH A NEW “CHURCH DISCIPLINE” SECTION (ROD-03)
 - A proposed complete revision of the Rules of Discipline, with a new “Church Discipline” section of the Book of Order.
- 1:25 PM** **Committee on Leader Care** [TE Bruce Incze (Arkport, First)]
- 1:30 PM** **Committee on Representation** [TE Sabrina Slater (Spencer, Christ the King)]
- 1:40 PM** **Good News from Congregations**
 * To include your news in the minutes, please email a written copy to: statedclerk@presbyteryofgeneva.org
- 1:50 PM** **A Word from the Presbytery Leader** [TE Marji Ackerman (VM)]
- 1:55 PM** **Resolution of Thanks** [TE Deb Grohman (Ontario Center, First)]
- 2:00 PM** **Benediction and Adjournment**