CALLED MEETING APRIL 29, 2025 11:00 AM

OUR 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.

MINUTES

The Presbytery of Geneva held a Called Meeting on Tuesday, April 29, 2025, held virtually via Zoom.us.

GATHERING FOR SHARED WORK: OPENING BUSINESS

GATHERING

10:45 am Registration and Fellowship Time (through 11:00 am)

CALL TO ORDER

CRE Connie Franks (Shortsville, First), Moderator, read the Presbytery's mission and vision statements and called the meeting to order with prayer at 11:00 am, a quorum being present.

ROLL

CONGREGATIONS: MINISTERS & COMMISSIONERS (CM = Corresponding Member; CRE = Commissioned Pastor)

CONGREGATION	MINISTER(S)	COMMISSIONER	CONGREGATION	MINISTER(S)	COMMISSIONER
ADDISON	A - Peter Marr (CM)		MARION, UNITED	_	Frank Halstead
ANDOVER, FIRST	A - C. Mattison (CM)		MORELAND	A - Paul Yoder (CRE)	
ARKPORT, FIRST	A - Bruce Incze		NAPLES, TRINITY FEDERATED	,	
—			NEWARK, PARK	EX - Susan Frost	A - Anne Rogers
BATH, FIRST	John Woodring		OAKS CORNERS	A - Karl Warrington	
BELLONA, MEMORIAL	Amy Loving Austin	EX - Roxann Carpenter	ONTARIO CENTER, FIRST		
BIG FLATS, FIRST		A - Robin Fitzgerald	OVID, FEDERATED	EX - Rob Mellgard	EX - Judy Mellgard
BURDETT	A - Richard Evans (CRE)	A - Martha Evans	PAINTED POST, UNITED	David Preisendanz	
CANANDAIGUA, UNITED	A - Wade Allen (CM)	Ken Allen	PALMYRA, WESTERN	A - Hodong Hwang	A - Philip Opdycke
CANISTEO, FIRST	Michelle Serra		PENN YAN, FIRST	Paul Malles	A - Rob Anderson
COHOCTON, FIRST		Linda Hodges	PHELPS, UNITED	EX - H. Leigh Holder	Marsha Gibbs
CORNING, FIRST	A - Jeffrey Ugoretz	A - Kay Nash	PRATTSBURGH, FIRST		A - Lynn Dinehart
EAST PALMYRA, FIRST		A - Judith Langdon	PULTENEY, FIRST		A - Mary Jane Peek
ELMIRA, FIRST	EX - Lynn Rubier-Capron		RED CREEK		A - Virginia Kachurak
ELMIRA, NORTH	Evan Hansen	Jeff Richards	ROCK STREAM	A - Carleen Frost (CRE)	
GENEVA, THE PC	EX - Colin Pritchard	Harriet Haynes	SENECA #9	Amy Loving Austin	Pam Ells
			SENECA FALLS, FIRST	Leah Ntuala	A - Susan Sholar

HECTOR	Daniel Russell	A - Shelly Gimbar	SHORTSVILLE, FIRST	Connie Franks (CRE)		
HORNELL, UNITED	A - Ted Warner (G)	A - Beverly Packard	SODUS, FIRST	Gail Heimberger	A - Tom Miller	
HORSEHEADS, FIRST	Aaron Frank	Ruth Hauser	SPENCER, CHRIST THE KING FELLOWSHIP	EX - Sabrina Slater	EX - Tom Bailey	
HOWARD, UNION			TRUMANSBURG, FIRST ULYSSES	A - Susan Joseph Rack	A - Pamela Postle	
HURON	A - Nancy J Farrell	Linda Hayes	WATERLOO, FIRST	A - Anita Milne	A - George Bassett	
ITHACA, FIRST	Cynthia Weaver A - Kirianne Weaver	A - Brad McFall	WATKINS GLEN, FIRST	A - Linda Myers (CM)	Pat Avery	
JASPER, UNITED	A - Brain Dieffenbacher (CM)		WESTON		Barry Winters	
LYONS, FIRST		Joanne Reinhardt	WOLCOTT, FIRST	Walter Stuber (CM)	Andrew DeMay	

MINISTERS IN VALIDATED MINISTRIES / MINISTERS AT-LARGE / HONORABLY RETIRED MINISTERS

Marjorie Ackerman (VM)	EX- Adrian Tierson (VM)			
David Ashby (AL)	Michael Capron (AL)	EX- Deborah Grohman (AL)	Glenn Kennedy (AL)	Christy Wareham (AL)
EX - Cara Milne (AL)				
EX- David Barnard (HR)	EX- Philip Courtney (HR)	EX- Betsey Crimmins (HR)	EX - Ellen Donnan (HR)	EX- Jim Gerling (HR)
EX- Pam Gnagy (HR)	James Hicks (HR)	EX - Cynthia Huling Hummel (HR)	EX- Susan Husted (HR)	EX- Jeff Kellam (HR)
EX- James Kerr (HR)	EX- John Milne (HR)	EX- Tom Montgomery (HR)	EX- Paul Rack (HR)	EX- Robert Rochelle (HR)
EX- Barbara Schwartz (HR)	Jane Winters (HR)			

ADDITIONAL ELDER COMMISSIONERS (appointed by Presbytery to correct elder-clergy imbalance)

EX- Joanne (Juana) Tunison (Horseheads, First) COUNCIL (Mission and Witness)	Virginia Champlin (Geneva)	Sandra Ansley (Geneva)	A - Paul Yoder (Horseheads, First)		
	COUNCIL (Presbyterian Women)	COUNCIL (Operations)	CRE (Moreland)		
EX- Pricilla Andrews (Rock Stream) CRE (Pulpit Supply)	A - Richard Evans (Watkins Glen, First) CRE (Burdett)	EX- Bob Sell (Horseheads, First) CRE (Pulpit Supply)	A - John Gingerich (Wolcott, First) CRE (Pulpit Supply)		
A - Carleen Frost (Sodus, First)	A - Bessie Tyrrell (Atlanta)	A - Don Peek (Pulteney, First)	Connie Franks (Ontario, First)		
CRE (Rock Stream)	CRE (Pulpit Supply)	CRE (Pulpit Supply)	CRE (Shortsville, First)		
A - Irene Fadden (Palmyra, Western) COUNCIL (Operations)					

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PRESBYTERY STAFF (granted voice)

Gretchen Duffy	EX- Bryan Muecke	
,	(Camp Whitman)	
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REGISTERED GUESTS (Current Meeting; granted voice)

Chris Gerling (Geneva)
Linda Werts (Canandaigua, United)
Donna Colvin (Pulteney, First)
Beth Newell (Geneva)

SUMMARIES FOR EACH MEETING 2023	Jan 25	Mar 25	Apr 29		
Total Minister Commissioners Present*	29	23	18		
Total Elder Commissioners Present **	28	30	16		
Parity (expressed in terms of Elders, + or -)	-1	+7	-2		
Total Minister Commissioners Absent, Unexcused***	3	4	8		
Total Registered CMs, Visitors, and Staff	5	6	6		
Total Registered Attendance****	62	59	40		

^{*} Does not include Corresponding Members, with voice, not vote. Does include Validated, At-large, and Honorably Retired

INTRODUCTORY BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF DOCKET

The presbytery VOTED to approve the docket for the meeting:

10:45 AM Registration and fellowship time (through 11:00 AM)11:00 AM Call to Order, Declaration of Quorum, and Opening Prayer

11:05 AM Introductory Business

Approval of the Docket

Acknowledgment of the First Stewards of the Land

11:10 AM Committee on Ministry

The COM moves the Presbytery to approve the call of Park Presbyterian Church of Newark, NY, to the Rev. Dr. H. Leigh Holder to be their installed pastor, and appoint the Rev. Dr. H. Leigh Holder to be their Moderator, effective May 18, 2025 at the following terms of call:

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 \$39,650

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 \$21,350

 SECA offset
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 Medical
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Travel vouchered at current IRS rate for business

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Paid Study Leave 2 Weeks (including 2 Sundays)
Paid Vacation 31 Days (including 4 Sundays)

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11:30 AM Benediction and Adjournment

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE FIRST STEWARDS OF THE LAND

TE Amy Loving Austin (Memorial, Bellona & Seneca #9, Stanley) offered acknowledgement of the first stewards of the land where we live and serve.

^{**} Includes Elder Commissioners and Additional Elder Commissioners

^{***} Does not include Corresponding Members with voice only; Honorably Retired Ministers; and Excused Minister Members.

^{****} Includes Corresponding Members without vote

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COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY

TE Jane Winters (HR) presented the motion from the COM.

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BENEDICTION AND ADJOURNMENT

The Presbytery VOTED to adjourn the meeting with prayer.

The Moderator offered prayer – including prayer for TE H. Leigh Holder (Phelps, United) and TE Deb Grohman (AL) – and pronounced the meeting to be adjourned at 11:09 am. .

Attest: Amy Loving Austin, Stated Clerk