



PRESBYTERY OF NEW COVENANT

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CALL TO THE NOVEMBER 18, 2017 PRESBYTERY STATED MEETING

At our last stated meeting of 2017, we will celebrate the ministry of Mary Marcotte as she retires from her work at the presbytery. Mary has served us well as our Associate General Presbyter. When she began her work, her call was more in the area of Christian Education and Youth Ministries. That has morphed to include working with congregational vitality and new church development/new worshiping communities. She has been a wonderful asset to the life of our presbytery. We hope that you will come and share your appreciation.

Workshops on several topics are planned for the morning. There will be two time periods of 45 minutes each, so that commissioners and visitors can attend more than one workshop. Please check the meeting materials for the list of topics and leaders.

Morning worship will include the installation of our 2018 Moderator, RE Bob Patterson (Houston, St. Andrew's). 2017 Moderator TE David Green (Conroe, First) will be preaching the sermon. We will share communion, also. Worship at presbytery meetings is an important act for many reasons, one of which is that those in smaller congregations are able to experience worship with a larger group of people ... and we sing well together, too! It is also in the Book of Order (W-5.0205).

Our business includes the privilege of hearing a candidate preach as a last step in the examination process; a service of candidacy for an inquirer moving along in the process to become an ordained minister; and possible services of retirement for some closer to the end of their careers; approving our slate of nominees to serve on the various committees of the presbytery; and updates on the work of our committees.

It should be a great day in our life together as the Presbytery of New Covenant! I am grateful to our hosts, the congregation and staff of Northwoods Presbyterian Church. Their "World Market" will be open in case you want to do some holiday shopping.

Looking forward to seeing you on November 18!

With gratitude,
Lynn R. Hargrove
Stated and Recording Clerk