



## Highlights of the February 13, 2021 • Stated Meeting of Trinity Presbytery

The Winter Stated Meeting of Trinity Presbytery was held on Saturday, February 13, 2021, at 9:30 a.m. in diaspora with in-person attendance available at the following locations: First Presbyterian Church, Greenwood, SC; First Presbyterian Church, Laurens, SC and Shiloh First Presbyterian Church, Winnsboro, SC. Worship was led by the members of the Trinity Presbytery Executive Coordinating Team. The Reverend Leon Page, Moderator of Trinity Presbytery, brought a timely message in his sermon entitled A Panacea for the Pandemic.

- An offering of \$310.00 was collected to be designated for hunger issues in Trinity Presbytery. The link to contribute is still live for those who would like to contribute. [Trinity Presbytery Hunger Offering](#)
- The presbytery necrology was read. Trinity Presbytery lost two Teaching Elders and 36 Ruling Elders during 2020.
- The Reverend Dr. Mike McCracken, Pastor of First Presbyterian Church (Laurens), was installed as Moderator of Trinity Presbytery for the year 2021.
- The Reverend Dr. Kyle Hite, Pastor of First Presbyterian Church (Greenwood), was installed as Vice-moderator of Trinity Presbytery Coordinating Team for the year 2021.
- The Reverend Leon Page, was presented a gavel and thanked for his service as the retiring moderator of Trinity Presbytery for the years 2019 & 2020.
- The Reverend Dr. Danny Murphy, General Presbyter, gave his annual report for the Year 2020. He thanked the staff of Trinity Presbytery for their dedication, and all the members of Trinity Presbytery who serve on our various teams, commissions and committees and/or as officers in their congregations. Dr. Murphy described the challenges and blessings in a year when the focus of his leadership and the work of the Presbytery Coordinating Team drastically changed in order to provide guidance and support for our congregations during the COVID-19 Pandemic. Dr. Murphy's full report will be posted on the Trinity Presbytery website soon.
- The Annual Statistical Reporting Awards were presented to the first three churches to submit their information online: Petersen Presbyterian (Columbia), Rocky Springs Presbyterian (Laurens), and Owings Presbyterian. All the churches who had completed the task were thanked for their efforts.
- Presbytery received reports and updates from the following representatives:
  - The Reverend Joyce Lieberman, Synod Exec and Stated Clerk
  - Elder Elizabeth Little, Church Consultant, Board of Pensions
  - The Rev. Dr. Franklin Fant, President and CEO, Presbyterian Communities of SC (PCSC)
  - Ms. Jenn Stanley, Director of Church Relations and Foundational Services, PCSC
  - The Reverend Kevin Cartee, Executive Director, Camping Ministries of the Carolinas
- Ms. Emily Mooneyhan, a certified ready to receive a call Candidate for Ministry, was examined by the Commission on Ministry's Examinations Sub-committee and enrolled as a member of Trinity Presbytery to serve as Pastor of the Saluda Presbyterian Church and the Mount Pleasant Lutheran Church (E.L.C.A.), with which we are in full communion.
- The meeting adjourned at 1:21 p.m.