

What Commissioners and Advisory Delegates Can Expect at the 227th General Assembly (2026)

Online Committees, In-Person Plenaries

June 22-24 All commissioners and advisory delegates will attend their assigned committees online. *Participation is required* but no travel is required (except for moderators and vice moderators of assembly committees who will be in Milwaukee). The committee schedules will ordinarily include meetings between 9am-9pm Central Time with specific times reflected in agendas by committee leadership in Spring of 2026.

Commissioners and advisory delegates will travel to Milwaukee with arrivals no later than the evening of June 27.

June 28-July 2 All commissioners and advisory delegates must be in person at the Baird Center in Milwaukee for plenary sessions where committees will make recommendations for the assembly’s discernment and vote.

All in-person meetings will be in Central Time

Preparation

Commissioners and advisory delegates are required to complete online trainings prior to participating in committees and plenary sessions. These asynchronous trainings will be available in spring of 2026 and are essential for equipping commissioners/advisory delegates to participate fully in the assembly.

Additional training **opportunities** will be made available in 2026 for commissioners, advisory delegates, and other participants. These will be communicated through the General Assembly website and mid council partners.

Committees will schedule pre-assembly online gatherings for their members to get to know one another, practice assembly procedures, and learn more about the business they have been assigned. Committee leaders are responsible for the scheduling and communication of these meetings with committee members.

Mark Your Calendar

- June 22-24** Online Assembly Committee Meetings – *participation is required and serves as a prerequisite for participation in plenary sessions*
- June 25** Travel date for Young Adult Advisory Delegates (YAADs) and others needing longer travel time
- June 26** Orientation for YAADs; travel date for most commissioners and Theological Student Advisory Delegates (TSADs)
- June 27** Community Day, which will include: public witness opportunities; lunch with members of your committee; a “Town Square” where organizations will be available to equip attendees with resources and connections; and a welcome reception.
- June 28-July 2** Plenary Sessions in Milwaukee, WI

Travel Arrangements and Expenses

Staff of the Office of the Stated Clerk and Executive Director coordinate the processes for commissioners and advisory delegates to make arrangements for their travel and hotel accommodations, so those expenses are covered directly by the assembly budget. Instructions will be provided as part of the GA registration process in March. *We are grateful to members of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) who support per capita for the national church, which provides fully funded travel, individual accommodations, and meals for commissioners and advisory delegates while in Milwaukee.*

Why Serve as a Commissioner or Advisory Delegate?

God calls commissioners and advisory delegates to serve the church because of the unique gifts and abilities that make up who you are. As a commissioner or advisory delegate, you will join with others in discussing important topics and issues that have the power to form and reform both the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and beyond. Together you will discern where Christ is calling the church.

Learning and Gathering Spaces

Opportunities to connect with the larger church will occur in many ways:

- **Information Sessions** with ongoing and special committees in late spring 2026 so anyone can learn more about specific items of business before the assembly and what they mean for the church
- **Community Day** on Saturday, June 27. The Presbytery of Milwaukee has designated Gun Violence as the issue for public witness and engagement that morning. Other opportunities that day include luncheons for assembly committee members, a Town Square when agency and organizations will be available with connections and resources, and a welcome reception.
- **Agency and organization-sponsored functions** during our time in Milwaukee
- A **Welcome Room** near the plenary hall where people can rest, be refreshed, and connect with others for conversation
- **Spaces for BIPOC commissioners and advisory delegates and LGBTQIA+ commissioners and advisory delegates**
- A **Lactation Room and a Family Room**
- **...and more!** The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is a large family with many members. Keep an eye out for information from other Presbyterian groups about opportunities they may be hosting around the assembly.

Staying Updated

Review the [227th GA FAQs](#) for more information about the General Assembly and the role of commissioners and advisory delegates. Check the [General Assembly web site](#) regularly for new and updated information, resources and updates on assembly business.

Have you subscribed to ***On the Road to GA?*** Sign up to receive the latest information on the upcoming General Assembly in Milwaukee [here](#). If you have received newsletters from GA News in the past, you are already on our list.