

**COMMITTEE REPORTS TO LAKE HURON PRESBYTERY**  
**June 2, 2026**

**PRESBYTERY COUNCIL**

The Presbytery Council presents following items for action

1. Recommend approval of moving the responsibilities in managing the planning of presbytery meetings to the role description of the serving presbytery moderator, vice-moderator and council moderator. These responsibilities include setting of agenda; coordinating with speakers; coordinating with staff and others involved in meeting details; consulting with Stated Clerk; and other details related to meeting planning. This does not change the role of either moderator, the vice-moderator or the council moderator during presbytery meetings.

**Rationale:** The Stated Clerk/Head of Staff position is overly burdened with various non-staff presbytery administration business. One necessary item which requires significant time and attention is the planning of the quarterly presbytery meetings, including setting the agendas and script writing.

The presbytery Moderator, Vice-Moderator and Council Moderator are currently consulted by the Stated Clerk/HOS as part of the planning and equipping team. However, they have little required involvement other than the day of the quarterly presbytery meeting. It would be beneficial to the Moderator/Vice-Moderator/Council Moderator to have a deeper understanding of the business being brought before the presbytery. In addition, it provides a stronger sense of ownership in representing and serving the presbytery.

While the Moderator/Vice-Moderator/Council Moderator may assume the role of moderating and leading the planning of the presbytery meetings, the planning team will continue to include the Stated Clerk, Office Staff and Worship Leaders (Pastor to Pastors). It will also continue to be the responsibilities of each commission, committee and council moderators to provide their reports and any motions to the presbytery moderator/vice-moderator/council moderator and staff in a timely manner prior to the meeting and to present any appropriate business and reports before the presbytery.

The Presbytery Council presents the following item for information:

2. Designation of the Presbytery meeting offering will be to the Linden Community FISH Food Pantry.

**REPORT OF THE MISSION COORDINATION COMMITTEE**

The Mission Coordination Committee presents the following items for information:

1. Reports and information related to the changes for Mission Co-workers.
2. Report and share the proposed Mission Grant application that will be available to our congregations.

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### **REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK**

The Stated Clerk presents the following item for action:

1. Approve the minutes of the March 7, 2026 Presbytery meeting

The Stated Clerk presents the following item for information:

2. Schedule of the remaining 2026 Presbytery meetings:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Host</u>
September 16, 2026	Holly
December 1, 2026**	Flint-First

\*\*Invitations are being accepted for 2027. Check with the Stated Clerk about the proposed dates for meetings. A reminder that the March Presbytery meeting is by Zoom. We encourage invitations from churches that otherwise would not be able to host Presbytery.

3. Reading of the 2025 Necrology Report [ATTACHMENT A]

### **TRUSTEES**

Trustees present the following item for information:

1. The Davison-St Andrews Presbyterian Church has relocated to 102 S. Main Street, Davison, MI 4862 and is now rent free.

### **COMMISSION ON MINISTRY AND MINISTRY PREPARATION**

The Commission reports the following for information:

1. Appointed Nathaniel Asperger as Moderator of Houghton Lake-Kirk of the Lakes.
2. Directed the Stated Clerk to transfer the membership of the Rev. John Osborne from the Presbytery of North Central Iowa.
3. Approved the part-time (10 hours per week) Commissioned Ruling Elder contract between Elder Jodie Vanderstow and Houghton Lake-Kirk of the Lakes for a period of one-year effective May 1, 2026. Details are as follows:

Cash Salary	\$300/per service preached
Lead Worship and Preach	2 times each/month
Pastoral care	2 hours/month
Church Business	1 hour/month

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4. Approved the Pulpit Supply Covenant between Tanya Steele and the congregations of: Caro-First, Fairgrove and Cass City-First for a period of six months effective January 1, 2026. Duties: Lead worship up to four times per month in the three congregations in conjunction with other pulpit supply.

Cash Salary	\$150 minimum/per week per church preached at
Travel reimbursement	At IRS rate

5. Approved the Commissioned Ruling Elder Contract between Elder Chris Wolf and the congregations of Marlette-First and Marlette-Second for a period of one-year effective January 1, 2026. Details are as follows:

Salary	\$900/month
Social Security/Medicare	As required
Continuing Education	\$2,100/year
Travel Reimbursement	At current IRS Rate
Vacation Time	6 weeks including 6 Sundays
Study Leave	2 weeks including 2 Sundays

6. Approved the full-time Temporary Supply Covenant between Laretta Phillips and Ithaca-Lafayette for a period of one-year effective April 12, 2026. Details are as follows:

Salary	\$175/week
Travel Reimbursement	At current IRS Rate
Vacation Time	4 weeks including 4 Sundays
Study Leave	2 weeks including 2 Sundays

**END OF COMMITTEE REPORTS**