

(Preliminary minutes – subject to approval by Presbytery of Lake Huron)

PRESBYTERY OF LAKE HURON

Stated Meeting –June 2, 2026

The Presbytery of Lake Huron was called to order with prayer by the Moderator, Paul Pfeuffer, at 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, and was held at Linden Presbyterian Church, Linden, Michigan.

The roll was taken, and the moderator announced that a quorum was present.
[ATTACHMENT A]

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to seat Ruth-Aimee Belonni-Rosario (New York City) as a Corresponding Member.

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to adopt the docket.

A welcome by the host pastor, Dawn Russell, was given.

WORSHIP was led by the Presbytery's Pastors To Pastors, Brenna Overland and Joseph Novak.

A short break was taken after worship.

The report of the **227TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY** was given by Clergy Commissioner Andrew Miller (Mt. Pleasant-First) and Elder Commissioner Linda Kennan (Midland-Memorial). The commissioners will provide written reports in several upcoming editions of the Bi-Weekly Brief.

The **PRESBYTERY COUNCIL** report was given by Beth Asperger.

The Council recommended and presbytery approved:

1. To move 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.

The Council presented the following item for information:

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

The **SYNOD OF THE COVENANT** report was given by Ruth-Aimee Belonni-Rosario (Synod Associate Executive for Racial Justice).

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Breakout sessions took place. The topic was food insecurity and how congregations are helping their communities.

A break for **LUNCH** was taken following prayer by Paul Pfeuffer.

The Vice Moderator, Linda Kennan, assumed the chair.

The **MISSION COORDINATING COMMITTEE** report was given by Michael Ludwig.

The Mission Coordination Committee presented 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.

The **STATED CLERK'S REPORT** was given by Ted McCulloch.

The Stated Clerk recommended and presbytery approved:

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

The Stated Clerk presented 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 B]

The **COMMISSION ON MINISTRY AND MINISTRY PREPARATION** report was provided in writing and is as follows:

The Commission reported 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

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 Laurretta 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

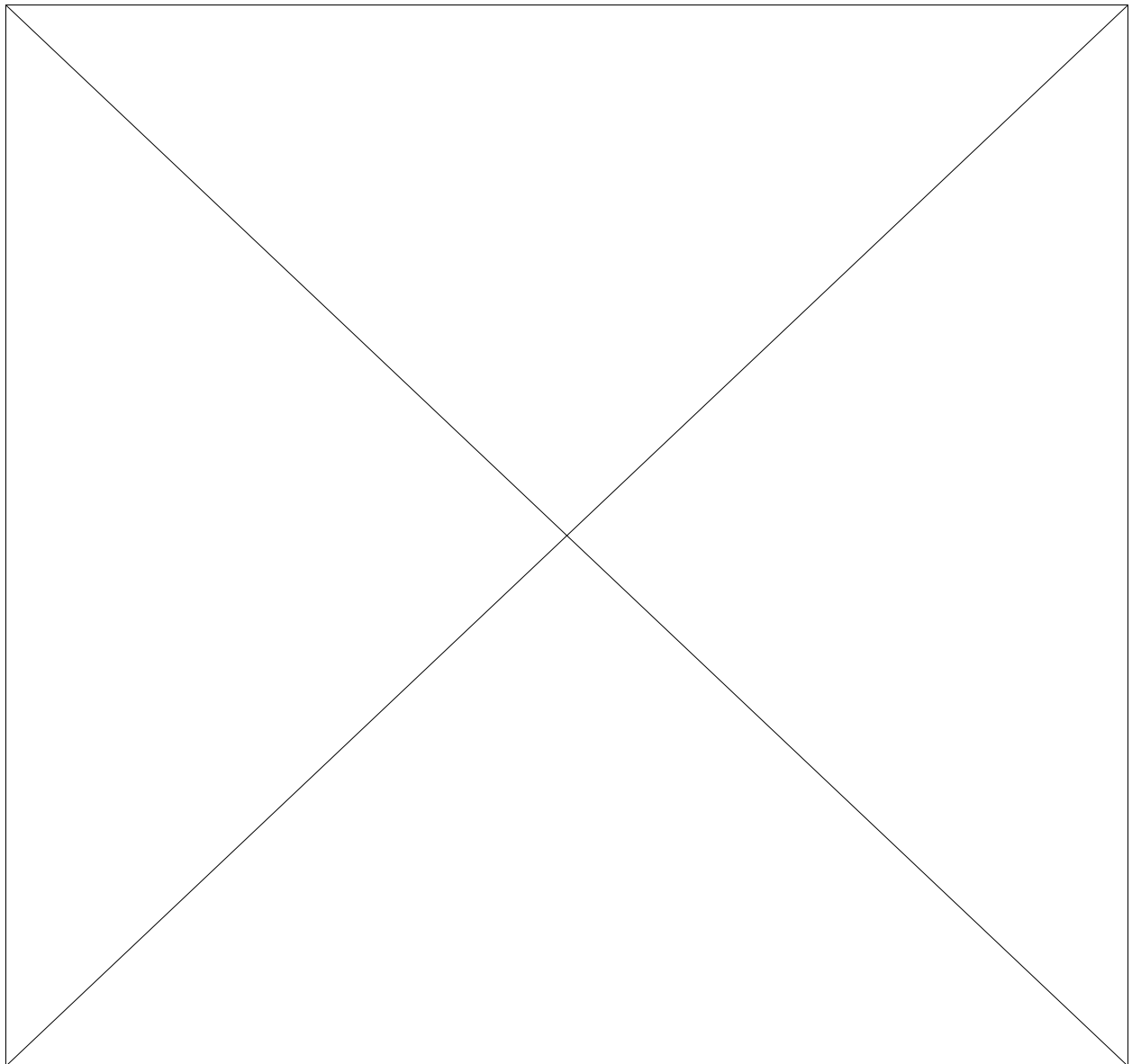
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The meeting was adjourned following prayer by Linda Kennan at 1:40pm. The next stated meeting of the Presbytery of Lake Huron is scheduled to be held on September 15, 2026 at Holly Presbyterian Church, Holly, Michigan beginning at 9:30 a.m.

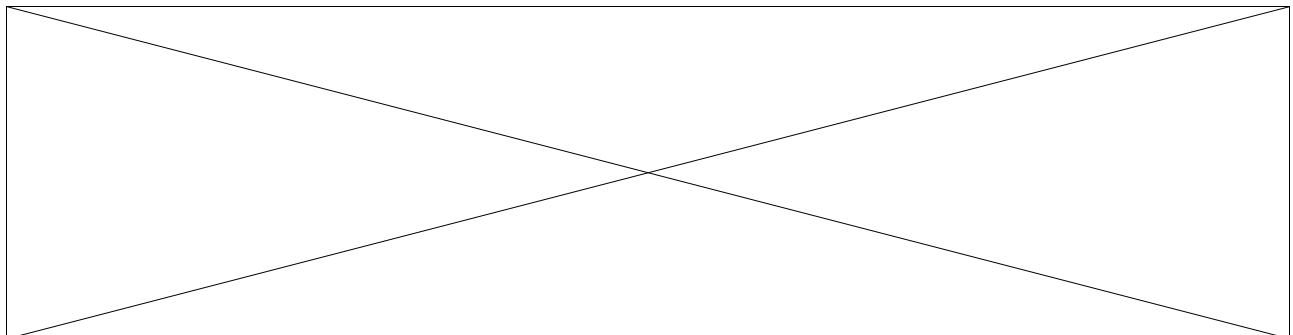
Respectfully Submitted,

Ted McCulloch
Stated Clerk



ATTACHMENT A – Attendance

NAME OF MINISTER	<u>Present</u>	<u>Excused</u>	<u>Absent</u>	NAME OF MINISTER	<u>Present</u>	<u>Excused</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Ahn, Daniel (HR)		1		Morningstar, Mark (HR)	1		
Asperger, Nathaniel	1			Neumann, James (HR)		1	
Becker, John (HR)		1		Neuville, Donald (HR)		1	
Blackburn, David (HR)		1		Novak, Joseph	1		
Blatt, Karen (HR)	1			Overland, Brenna	1		
Borycz, Edward (HR)		1		Park, Dong Won (HR)		1	
Browne, Roger (HR)		1		Parker, Kenneth (HR)		1	
Carnes, Lindsey		1		Pekich-Bundy, Katrina	1		
Carnes, Robbie		1		Pfeuffer, Paul	1		
Chambers, Janice (HR)		1		Pickrell, Brooke		1	
Cunningham, Bruce (HR)		1		Piper, Brant (HR)		1	
Emrich, Robert (HR)		1		Piper, Leslie (HR)		1	
Eshelman, David (HR)		1		Russell, Dawn	1		
Estell, Ruth		1		Saperstein, Dan (HR)		1	
Evans-Justin, Mary Anne (HR)		1		Schramm, Matthew	1		
Graham, Linda		1		Shafer, Hal		1	
Grant, Glenn (HR)		1		Shugert, Stephen (HR)		1	
Grimes, Ronald (HR)		1		Smith, Wesley		1	
Hand, Sue	1			Snyder, Noel		1	
Irish, Dennis		1		Stilwell, Elizabeth		1	
Jensen, Christina		1		Strunz, Kim	1		
Kim, Do Hyeong		1		Swihart, Dale (HR)		1	
Kroener, Scott	1			Taylor, Robert (HR)		1	
Lawther, Richard (HR)		1		Thomas, Chris		1	
Lee, Hoon Koo		1		Todd, Cassie		1	
Ludwig, Michael	1			Williams, Linda		1	
Marquardt, Charles (HR)		1		Wright, William		1	
Mayton, Wally		1		Young, Jane		1	
McCulloch, Ted	1			Ytterrock, Paul	1		
Miller, Andrew	1						
Milton, Jamie		1		Total Present	16		
Moody, Chris		1		Total Excused	46		
Moon, Hakbae		1		Total Absent	0		



ATTACHMENT A – Attendance (Continued)

NAME OF CHURCH	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Elder Commissioner(s) Present</u>
Alma-First	1		Sue Malone
Bay City-First		1	
Bay City-Westminster		1	
Beaverton		1	
Birch Run-Taymouth	1		Ed Savage
Breckenridge		1	
Caro		1	
Cass City-First		1	
Cass City-Fraser		1	
Croswell		1	
Davison-St. Andrews	1		Julianne Princinsky
Deckerville		1	
Elkton-Chandler		1	
Fairgrove	1		Tanya Foster
Fenton-First		1	
Fenton-Tyrone		1	
Flint-First	1	1	Linda Gibbs
Flint-Trinity United		1	
Flint-Unity		1	
Flushing		1	
Grand Blanc-Kirkridge		1	
Harbor Beach		1	
Holly		1	
Houghton Lake		1	
Ithaca-First		1	
Ithaca-Lafayette		1	
Kinde-First		1	
Lapeer		1	
Linden	1		Greg Mann
Marlette-First		1	
Marlette-Second		1	
Midland-Memorial	1		Joyce Hagan-Flint
Mt. Pleasant		1	
Rosebush	1		Jennie Brussow
Saginaw-Countryside Trinity		1	
Saginaw-First	1		Janie Gugino
Saginaw-Michigan Nanum		1	
Saginaw-Second	1		Kathryn Myers
Sandusky		1	
Swartz Creek		1	
Tawas	1		Alan Gould
Twining		1	
Ubly		1	
Vassar	1		Kevin Haynes
Yale		1	
Total Present	12		
Total Represented	12		
Total Not Represented	33		

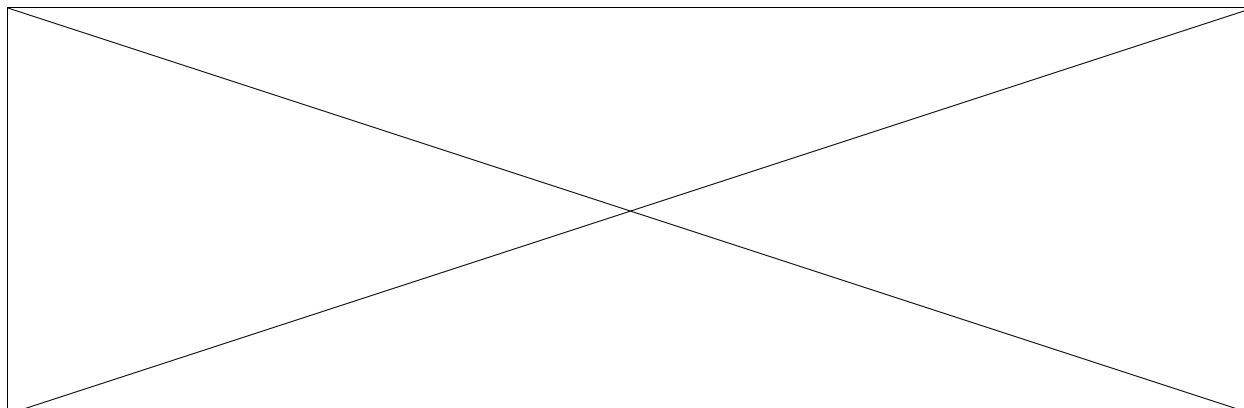
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ELDER MEMBERS	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Excused</u>
Beth Asperger (Council Mod)	1		
Adam Engel (Trustee)			1
Janie Gugino (Council) ***			
Chuck Hewitt (Trustee)			1
Linda Kennan (Presbytery Vice Mod)	1		
Sue McClary (Trustee)			1
Martha Miller (CCE)			1
Ed Savage (Council) ***			
Roger Scovill (Treasurer)			1
Tim Rutzen (Trustee)			1
Total Elder Members	2	0	6

*** Signed in as Elder Commissioner, did not count here

COMMISSIONED RULING ELDERS	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Excused</u>
Jon Baker			1
Jon Essex			1
Mark Garavaglia			1
Shaun Hardimon			1
Kim McKenzie			1
Bonie Rapson			1
Chris Wolf			1
CRE Attending	0		
CRE Not Attending	0		
CRE Excused	7		

CATEGORY	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Excused</u>
Members of Presbytery	16	0	46
Corresponding Members	1		
Commissioned Ruling Elders	0	0	7
Church Commissioners	12	33	
Elder Members	2	0	6
Visitors (Including LHP Staff)	7		
Total People in Attendance	38		
Churches represented	12		
Churches not represented		33	



ATTACHMENT B – 2025 Necrology Report to Presbytery

2025 Necrology Report to Presbytery

<u>Clergy</u>	<u>Age at Death</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>
Thomas Cundiff	73	January 19
William Emrich	83	February 15
Joseph Walser	90	April 30
<u>Church</u>	<u>Elder</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>
Alma-First	Robert Marble	September 6
Bay City-Westminster	Carole Lange	January 31
	Ross Brown	February 13
	Betty Lunger	September 13
	Marilyn Lapham	November 16
Birch Run-Taymouth	Larry Russell	March 17
	Robert Minard	July 6
Breckenridge-Emerson	Gerald Jenkins	January 24
Cass City-First	Marilyn Peters	February 6
Davison-St. Andrews	Deborah Koski	May 31
	Jack Abernathy	July 3
	Candace Keinath	December 29
Elkton-Chandler	Robert Badgley	September 9
Fenton-First	Beverly Tippet	November 21
Fenton-Tyrone	Norma Carnahan	October 26
Flint-First	Steven Smith	April 3
	Donald Lada	April 9
	Donald Rockwell	July 17
Flushing-Flushing	Sylvia Keeler	January 23
	Nancy Young	January 27
	Richard Barnett	March 10
	Ernest Thrapp	May 21
	Carole Tucker	October 2
	Norma Zuehlke	October 18
	Patricia Bemis	December 19

ATTACHMENT B – 2025 Necrology Report to Presbytery (Continued)

<u>Church</u>	<u>Elder</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>
Harbor Beach-First	Donald Ross	November 25
Linden-Linden	Fred Lewis	September 20
Marlette-First	Hugh Daly Pierre Benoit	June 4 July 23
Marlette-Second	Kenneth McLaren Robert Wood	March 3 August 22
Midland-Memorial	Dorothy Ann Smith Evelyn Mary Ducker Joan Anne Evans Conant Diane Marie Borin Donald E. Findlay	April 8 August 8 September 8 October 9 December 21
Saginaw-First	Donn Cramton Victoria Goddell Diane Ederer	February 24 June 29 October 2
Sandusky-Sandusky	Tom Bissett Ron Bertul	January 24 May 7
Tawas-Tawas Area	Pat Walther	January 28
Yale-First	Pamela McIntyre Barbara Clay Robert Shier	June 30 August 3 September 12

