

**Elder Magalene McClarrin, 2021 Moderator**  
**Rev. Mark A. Tammen, Stated Clerk**

### **WE GATHER TOGETHER**

The Presbytery of Long Island of the Presbyterian Church (USA) held a Stated Meeting at the First Presbyterian Church of Southampton and ZOOM on Saturday, April 24, 2021. The Meeting was called to order with Prayer and a Call to Worship by the Moderator, Elder Magalene McClarrin 2021 Moderator, at 9:00 am. A quorum was present.

**Roll Call** *Appendix A –pp 22-25*

### ***WELCOME GUESTS AND BEGIN OUR WORK***

Elders attending a Presbytery meeting as First Time Church Commissioners were introduced and welcomed by the Presbytery.

Reception of New and Corresponding Members Rev. SanDawna Gaulman Ashley (Synod of the Northeast Transitional Leader) and Rev. Paul Rack (Hope Presbytery)

**Greetings** from Rev. Sarah Bigwood, Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Southampton

### **Approval of Docket**

**Motion Approved:** The Presbytery approved the docket of April 24, 2021

### **Introduction of Rev. Dr. SanDawna Gaulman Ashley and Q&A with Commissioners**

We welcomed the newly elected Synod of the Northeast Transitional Leader, Rev. Dr. SanDawna Gaulman Ashley. SanDawna. She has served in multiple settings as a pastor to churches, in multiple positions at the Office of the General Assembly and the Presbyterian Mission Agency, and most recently as an Executive Presbyter, SanDawna comes with a broad range of knowledge, talents, skills, and resources to assist the Synod in moving forward. ~~SanDawna~~ **Rev. Ashley** began her work on March 1, 2021.

### **Report of Committee on Ministry Elder Patricia Francis Chair COM - Full Report Appendix B – pp 26-27**

**Motion Approved: The Committee On Ministry moved that the Presbytery approve Rev. Ashley McFaul-Erwin's change of call from Assistant Pastor (temporary position) to an Associate Pastor (installed position) of the Setauket Presbyterian Church effective April 24, 2021.**

Announced the **Commissioning Service of Elder Magalene McClarrin would be May 25, 2021**, at the Memorial Presbyterian Church, Roosevelt.

**Nominating Committee** Elder Barbara Messier

**Motion Approved:** The Presbytery accepted the slate as presented

Salt and Light Class of '23  
 Robert Smith (Babylon)  
 Jeanette Bailey (Babylon)  
 Rev. Ashley McFall (Setauket)

**Shepherding Council** Elder Janet Allen-Spencer

**Motion Approved: By-Law Changes**

When times of natural disaster, pandemic, or weather do not allow the community to gather in person, the Presbytery, Committees, or other Presbytery entity may meet electronically so long as all participants can hear and participate in the Meeting.

**Motion Approved: Electronics Meeting Policy** - *Appendix C p28*

**New Church Fellowship & Development** Glenwood Life Center - Lucas Saucedo

**Stated Clerks** Rev. Mark Tammen

### **Presbytery Actions**

The Stated Clerk presents the followings motions: **Omnibus Motion**

**Motion Approved That Presbytery approved the minutes of the Stated Meeting held on January 30, 2021.**

**Motion Approved That Presbytery received the Annual Non-Parish Clergy Report for 2020.** *Appendix D pp 29-32*

**Motion Approved That Presbytery received the Presbytery of Long Island's 2020 Statistical Summary** *Appendix E p33*

### **Information**

The Moderators have approved, on behalf of the Presbytery, the Nominating Committee slate below.

**Committee on Ministry** Rev. John Kloepfer Class of 2021

### **Upcoming 2021 Presbytery Dates**

**Sat., June 26, 2021** - Smithtown /Zoom

**Sat., September 25, 2021**- Location to be announced/Zoom

**Presbytery Day** - To be announced

### **Reports Attached**

**Board of Trustees** Report Appendix F p34

**Committee on Preparation for Ministry** Report Appendix G p35

### **Worship**

**Opening Prayer** - Moderator/ Elder Magalene McClarrin

**Scripture Reading** Daniel 6:16-28

**Hymn** - Beautiful Savior - Wendy Enstine, Flute & Kin Makowski, Piano

**Message** - An Old Theological Question - Rev. SanDawna Gaulman Ashley

Rev. SanDawna Ashley preached from Daniel 6:16-28, naming it an old theological question. She noted that leaders since that time, especially Jesus, have "taken on" the powers that be" in any given age. Rev Ashley suggested that was one significant theological attribute of leadership. She challenged the Presbytery to be sensitive to such leadership, for it may surely come from our God.

### **Presbytery Discussion - Breakout Rooms - Rev. Matthew Means**

Rev. Ashley drew our attention to many old and new theological questions that in a post-COVID world continue to raise old and new theological and practical anxieties for how best to be the Church of Jesus Christ. As you think about this reality, discuss in your breakout room the questions, anxieties, and opportunities that you would like to explore more in a post-COVID embodiment of the Church and its ministry."

They were then asked to report one or two highlights from that discussion to help us hear from one another and guide a potential engagement on these topics from other areas of ministry in the Presbytery.

-The Church identity is changing

What constitutes Church?

Who is the Church?

Church is not what happens in the building but what happens in human relationships

Move away from "we've always done it that way."

-Networking with other Churches

-Children Ed – Children need to be together; they need to grow up in a church.

-How can this be an opportunity?

**Communion** - Rev. Sarah Bigwood lead the Presbytery, both in person and remotely celebrating the Sacrament.

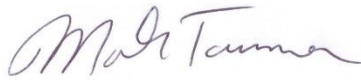
**Treasurer** Patrick J. Knight *Report Appendix H – p36*

**Closing Prayer & Benediction** Elder Magalene McClarrin, Moderator, closed the Meeting with prayer and benediction at 11:30 am.

**Next Meeting** The next Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Long Island will be held on Saturday, June 26, 2021, Smithtown/In-person and Virtual

**Attest:**

**Mark A. Tammen, Stated Clerk**



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<b>ROLL CALL TEACHING ELDERS</b>	<b>January 30, 2021</b>	<b>April 24, 2021</b>	<b>June 26, 2021</b>	<b>September 25, 2021</b>
Ahearn, Moira	Present	Excused		
Applewhite, Mark (UCC)	Present	Present		
Barnum, James	Present	Present		
Bhatti, Iftikhar	Absent	Absent		
Bigwood, Sarah	Present	Present		
Carter, Dennis	Present	Absent		
Choi, Jee		Present		
Clemons Jones, Kymberley	Present	Excused		
Coello, David	Present	Absent		
Collie-Pendleton, Yvonne	Excused	Excused		
Easton, Chester	Present	Absent		
Gaug, Paul	Present	Excused		
Graugh, Dr. Richard	Excused	Present		
Griffin, Robert	Absent	Excused		
Hoffmann, William	Present	Excused		
Hurst (Thomas) Lance	Present	Excused		
Johnson, Gloria	Present	Present		
Jones-Calone, Kate	Present	Present		
Jong, Joshua	Present	Present		
Kelley, Peter	Present	Present		
Kim, Eun Joo	Present	Absent		
Lawry Hughes, Wanda	Present	Present		
Madrigal, Alexander	Present	Absent		
McCachren, Scot	Present	Present		
Maconochie, Linda	Absent	Absent		
McFaul-Erwin, Ashley	Present	Present		
Means, Matthew	Present	Present		
Moore, Janice	Present	Present		
Pratt, Adrian	Present	Present		
Prey, Jeffrey	Present	Present		
Rack, Susan	Present	Present		
Rea, James B.	Present	Present		
Rohde, Colby	Excused	Absent		
Rosario, Ida	Present	Present		
Roth, Marjorie	Present	Excused		
Roth, Russ	Present	Excused		
Saunders, Tracie	Present	Present		

<b>CONTINUED TEACHING ELDERS</b>	<b>January 30, 2021</b>	<b>April 24, 2021</b>	<b>June 26, 2021</b>	<b>September 25, 2021</b>
Shin, Samuel	Present	Present		
Van Cleef, Ann(UCC)	Present	Present		
Vione, Rachel	Present	Present		
Williams Scott	Present	Present		
Winters, Vanessa	Present	Present		
Wood, Ron	Excused	Present		
<b>HONORABLY RETIRED TEACHING ELDERS</b>				
Baum, Jeanne		Present		
Castlen, Tom	Present	Present		
Hybertsen, Karen	Present	Present		
Kloepfer, John	Present			
Wright, Ralph	Present	Present		
<b>COMMISSIONED RULING ELDER</b>				
Fernandez Mario	Absent	Absent		
King Richard	Present	Present		
Riddle, Kerry	Present	Present		
Sanchez, Gustavo	Present	Absent		
<b>OFFICERS</b>				
Rev. Mark Tammen	Present	Present		
Patrick Knight	Present	Present		
Rev. Jeffery Prey	Present	Present		
<b>SHEPHERDING COUNCIL ELDER MEMBER OF PRESBYTERY (BYLAW, CHAPTER I,D) w/VOTE * Already counted</b>				
Janet Allen-Spencer Past Mod	Present	Present		
Magalene McClarrin Moderator	Present	Present		
Rev. Joshua Jong 1 <sup>st</sup> Moderator	Present*	Present*		
Rev. Michael Smith 2 <sup>nd</sup> Moderator	Present	Present		
Mary Martin Sweet Salt and Light	Present*	Present*		
Barbara Messier Nominating	Present*	Present*		
Rev Jeffery Prey Board of Trustees	Present*	Present*		
John Rose - CPM	Excused	Excused		
Luci Duckdon-Bramble -COR	Excused	Present		
Patricia Francis - COM	Present	Present		
Marilyn Fox – NCF&D	Present	Present		
Barbara D'Andrea Class of '22	Present*	Present		

<b>ROLL CALL CHURCH COMMISSIONERS</b>	<b>January 30, 2021</b>	<b>April 24, 2021</b>	<b>June 26, 2021</b>	<b>September 25, 2021</b>
Amagansett	Absent	Absent		
Babylon	Present	Present		
Baldwin	Present	Absent		
Bellmore	Present	Absent		
Brentwood	Excused	Absent		
Brentwood PIPH	Absent	Absent		
Bridgehampton	Absent	Absent		
Brookhaven	Present	Present		
Center Moriches	Absent	Present		
Cutchogue	Absent	Present		
Deer Park	Present	Present(2)		
East Hampton First	Present	Present		
East Hampton Springs	Absent	Absent		
Elmont	Absent	Present		
Freeport	Present	Absent		
Garden City	Absent	Absent		
Glen Cove	Absent	Present		
Great Neck	Absent	Absent		
Greenlawn	Absent	Present		
Hempstead	Absent	Absent		
Huntington Old First	Present	Present		
Huntington Station	Absent	Present		
Islip	Absent	Absent		
Levittown/ Massapequa	Absent	Present(2)		
Malverne	Absent	Absent		
Malverne NV	Absent	Absent		
Mattituck	Absent	Absent		
Melville	Absent	Absent		
Merrick	Absent	Absent		
Middle Island	Present	Present		
Mineola	Absent	Absent		
Montauk	Absent	Absent		
New Hyde Park	Present	Absent		
Northport	Present	Absent		
Oceanside	Present	Present		
Oyster Bay	Present	Present		
Port Jefferson	Absent	Present		
Remsenburg	Absent	Absent		
Roosevelt	Present	Present(2)		
Roslyn	Present	Present		

<b>ROLL CALL (CONTINUED) CHURCH COMMISSIONERS</b>	<b>January 30, 2021</b>	<b>April 24, 2021</b>	<b>June 26, 2021</b>	<b>September 25, 2021</b>
Sag Harbor	Absent	Absent		
Selden	Absent	Absent		
Setauket	Present	Present		
Shelter Island	Excused	Excused		
Smithtown	Present	Present		
Southampton First	Absent	Absent		
Southampton Shinnecock	Present	Absent		
Southold	Present	Present		
Valley Stream	Absent	Absent		
Valley Stream Asian	Absent	Absent		
West Islip	Present	Present		
Westhampton Beach	Present	Present		
Yaphank	Excused	Excused		

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**Report of the Committee on Ministry**  
**Presbytery of Long Island Stated Meeting – Southampton/Zoom - April 24, 2021**

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**Item for Action**

1. **\*Motion: The Committee On Ministry moves that the Presbytery approve Rev. Ashley McFaul-Erwin's change of call from Assistant Pastor (temporary position) to an Associate Pastor (installed position) of the Setauket Presbyterian Church effective April 24, 2021.**

*Presbytery Policy states that an Assistant Pastor may succeed to Associate Pastor's position with the approval of the COM, a majority vote of the congregation, and a three-quarters vote of the Presbytery.*

**For the Information of the Presbytery****At its Meeting of January 12, 2021****Information**

Approve **Sharon Austin - Barrow as Extended Pulpit Supply Pastor** at Presbyterian Church in Elmont through April. Authorizing her to administer the Sacraments, wedding, funerals, and pastoral care. Pending completion of EPSP contract.

**At its Meeting of February 9, 2021****Contracts**

1. The Committee voted to re-commission **Ruling Elder Gustavo Sanchez to service at Mission Emmanuel, Center Moriches NCD**, for the period January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021, granting him permission to administer the Sacraments, to perform marriages as allowed by New York State law, to moderate meetings of the Administrative Commission, and to have voice and vote at Presbytery meetings. The Committee also approved the following terms (full-time): Cash Salary and Manse Allowance, \$39,700; Tax-Deferred Investment, 1,000; Free Use of the Center Moriches Manse, annual fair rental value, 24,000; Utilities, 6,000; Pension and Medical Dues, 23,939; Additional Insurance, NA: SECA Tax Reimbursement, 5,332; Automobile Expense Reimbursement, church business mileage at the IRS standard rate; Pastoral Ministry Expense Reimbursement, 500; Continuing Education Expense Reimbursement, 1,500; Vacation, 30 days, including 5 Sundays; Continuing Education Time, 14 days, including 2 Sundays. The compensation is paid by the Presbytery through the New Church Fellowship and Development Committee.
2. The Committee approved the Extended Pulpit Supply Pastor agreement between the **Rev. Joan Finck and the Session of the Sweet Hollow** Presbyterian Church, Melville, through May 30, 2021.
3. The Committee approved the Extended Pulpit Supply Pastor agreement between the **Rev. Sharon Austin-Barrow and the Session of the Presbyterian Church in Elmont** through April 30, 2021.

**At its Meeting of March 9, 2021**

1. The Committee voted to **Commission Elder Magalene McClarrin** to assist churches with a variety of programmatic and administrative responsibilities. COM determines fees.



2. The **Rev. James Steward** came before the COM for review and discussion, and the Committee voted to add him to the **Pulpit Supply list**.
3. A letter was sent to **Rev. Kyungsoo Choi** from the Presbytery of Long Island COM informing him that since his request to transfer to the Presbytery of Eastern Korean PC(USA) on 11/19/2012, they have not officially received him. We ask that he let us know his wishes with his membership before May 1, 2021. If no response, the Committee on Ministry will dismiss him from the Presbytery effective May 11, 2021. MSP
4. **Rev. Anne Stewart Miller** contacted the Presbytery and wished to stay in the Presbytery Long Island and not be transferred to the Cascades. MSP To rescind the dismissal of Rev Anne Stewart Miller to Cascades Presbytery from the Presbytery of Long Island rolls
5. **Rev. Karen Sue Hybertsen** (HR), in her Non-Parish report to Presbytery, requested permission to administer the Sacraments. MSP To authorize Rev. Karen Sue Hybertsen (HR) to administer the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper for the year 2021.
6. Richard Coleridge and Kate Jones Calone reviewed **Kymerley Clemons-Jones's (Valley Stream)** Sabbatical documents and spoke with Kymerley about the details. Everything is in place for her sabbatical.

### Contracts

1. The Committee approved an update from the session of the First Presbyterian Church of Oceanside, changing the terms of call of the **Rev. Russ Roth**, Designated Pastor, to meet the presbytery minimum for the period January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2022, as follows (25 hours/week): Cash Salary and Manse Allowance, \$32,684; Tax-Deferred Investment, 625 + 15,149 = 15,774; Free Use of the Manse - annual fair rental value, 22,800; Full Utilities, heat, electricity, and water, approximate annual cost, 5,800; Pension and Medical Dues - pension, 6,057 - Death and Disability, 713 - Temporary Disability, 356 = 7,126; Additional Insurance,, Dental PPO, member & family, 1,752; SECA Tax Reimbursement, 4,688; Automobile Expense Reimbursement, church business mileage at IRS standard rate; Pastoral Ministry Expense Reimbursement, 313; Continuing Education Expense Reimbursement, 1,094; Vacation, 30 days, including 5 Sundays; Continuing Education Time, 14 days, including 2 Sundays; Paternity Leave per presbytery guidelines; Moving Expenses, NA. The terms must be revised each year. The amount medical dues would have cost has been added to the tax-deferred investment.
2. The Committee approved the renewal of the Temporary Supply Pastor contract between the session of Community Presbyterian Church of Malverne and the **Rev. Janice Moore-Caputo** for the period February 1, 2021, through January 31, 2022, at the following terms (half-time, or 20 hours/week): Cash Salary, 0; Housing Allowance, \$32,760; Tax-Deferred Investment, NA; Pension and Medical Dues, pension only, 2,785; Additional Insurance, NA; SECA Tax Reimbursement, 2,506; Automobile Expense Reimbursement, NA; Pastoral Ministry Expense Reimbursement, 200; Continuing Education Expense Reimbursement, 500; Vacation, 30 days, including 8 Sundays; Continuing Education Time, 14 days, including 2 Sundays; Maternity Leave, NA; Moving Expenses, NA. The terms do not meet the presbytery minimum
3. The Committee further voted to grant the **Rev. Moore-Caputo** permission to labor outside the bounds of the Presbytery of Long Island and within the Presbytery of New York City, where she will be serving the Church in Whitestone part-time. The Committee was able to see the terms the New York City Presbytery has approved.

**Report of the Shepherding Council****Stated Meeting of Presbytery Southampton/Zoom – April 24, 2021**

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**Bylaw change - Second Reading****1. Motion**

When times of natural disaster, pandemic, or weather do not allow the community to gather in person, the Presbytery, Committee, or other Presbytery entity may meet electronically so long as all participants can hear and participate in the Meeting.

**Current By-Law IV C-1**

Entities of the Presbytery are authorized to conduct electronic meetings involving any non-controversial/simple issues that are requested by member congregations.

**2. Motion****Proposed Presbytery of Long Island Electronic Meeting Policy**

**Electronic meetings of the Presbytery or any of its entities shall be conducted under the following provisions:**

**I. Meeting**

- Electronic meetings are permissible only if every member of the Presbytery, Committee, or other Presbytery entity has access to the technology that allows participation in the Meeting.
- Electronic meetings must allow participants to hear and fully participate in discussing issues being considered using whatever technologies available.
- Motions shall be processed in the same manner as in a regular meeting. The chair shall also consider technical issues that might impact a person's ability to participate fully and allow adjustments before the business is taken up. Before a vote is taken or consent measured, the chair will also determine whether any members are no longer present due to technological disruption.
- Outside of these provisions, the bylaws for in-person meetings applies.

**II. Email Voting**

- When an email is used to share information and come to a consensus on a matter, the resulting decision shall be confirmed or rejected by vote at the next Meeting of the Presbytery, Committee, or other Presbytery entity.
- An email vote shall only be allowed in the instance that the business to be transacted has already been discussed in a traditional or electronic meeting. The vote shall be unanimous. If a negative vote is cast, the issue shall be considered in either a traditional or electronic meeting.

## Report of Stated Clerk

## Stated Meeting of Presbytery – Southampton/Zoom – April 24, 2021

**2020 ANNUAL REPORT RESPONSES FROM NON-PARISH AND HONORABLY RETIRED CLERGY****Presbytery Validated Ministry:**

**Immanuel Bae** - Chaplain at St. Francis Hospital, Roslyn NY

**Jongmi Bae**- Manager of Chaplaincy Education at North Shore University Hospital Northwell Health, ACPE Certified Educator, BCC

**Aaron T. Hicks** is working as a "cross-cultural evangelist and church planter" with Serge Global International, an interdenominational mission agency with roots in the Reformed/Presbyterian tradition ([www.serge.org](http://www.serge.org)). For the last 11 years he have served as lead pastor/church-planter to a new-church development here in the city of Granada, Spain.

**Christine J Hong** is currently serving as the Associate Professor of Educational Ministries at Columbia Theological Seminary. I am in my fourth year of service to the institution. In 2020, I also began a 3-year renewable role as Director of the Doctor of Educational Ministries program. My ministry responsibilities include teaching, administration, committee work, advising, and mentoring of students. My ministry is my teaching and participation in the life of Columbia Theological Seminary and its communities of accountability, which include the PC(USA) and its people. My teaching focuses on educational ministries and includes anti-racist, anti-colonial, and decolonial pedagogies, as both my personal practice and the content of what I teach. A crucial part of my teaching is working with ministers to prepare them for a call and a life that models justice and solidarity-oriented ways of being in the world.

I attend the Korean Central Presbyterian Church in Doraville, GA, which currently meets over zoom. I also continue to serve the PCUSA at large through speaking, preaching, and teaching. I recently keynoted NEXT Church's annual conference.

**Message to the Presbytery:** *I greet the members of Long Island Presbytery and encourage them to continue in the tradition of Presbyterian justice and solidarity work. At this moment, I encourage my co-members to live and act in solidarity for Black lives and to support the movements born out of Black communities in all things. I also encourage my co-members to participate in and support the movement to Stop Asian Hate and to speak up about the anti-Asian violence and racism that has existed throughout U.S. history.*

**Min Jung Park** - No Report

**Amos Shin** - No Report

**Jeehoon Song** - During the past year and a half, I've been serving as the Assistant Pastor for Discipleship and Admin at Open Door Presbyterian Church, located at 2999 Centreville Rd, Herndon, VA 20171. I have been serving as a pastor, preaching and administering the sacraments. Also, counseling church members, teaching seminars/classes for leadership development within the Church. I have also been involved in writing curriculum for our Church's small group ministry and helping people to grow spiritually mature (discipleship) and to grow more missional in their everyday surroundings.

**Message to the Presbytery** *Hello everyone! Hope you are all doing well and staying safe and healthy! Hope to be able to travel up to NY when it's safe to do so and visit. Miss you all.*

**HONORABLY RETIRED:**

**Choong Sik Ahn** - No Report

**Angela B. Archer** – Enjoying Retirement

**Jeanne W. Baum** - No Report

**Randall J. Broger** It has been very difficult/impossible to be active in the life and work of Presbytery this year because of COVID-19 But when I can go out, everywhere I go, I am somehow called in pastoral activities, i.e., counseling, caring, sharing God's Grace. No matter where I am, the gift of caring and even just being able to listen to people's stories and be called upon as well. I have research issues concerning religion (freedom of...) as they develop for personal study time. For fun, I still practice playing the piano even though lessons have been suspended for almost a year. Maintain and drive my C7 Corvette Stingray Meeting stopped as well. , Love to read each evening with my wife over a glass of wine and chips!

**Message to the Presbytery** - *God is Good! Keep praying for the world! Get your Vax and LOVE one another!*

**Susan Cardone** - No Report

**Charles M. Cary** - In 2020, Chuck served as Pulpit Supply in the Northport, Smithtown, Greenwich, Ct, Bridgehampton,

Southold, Mattituck, and Cutchogue. Chuck teaches Presbyterian Polity at McCormick Seminary in Chicago and adults bible study and Adult Classes on the person and work of Father Henri Nouwen, Greenwich.

**Message to the Presbytery** - *I am willing and ready to lead in-person worship as congregations open.*

**Tom M. Castlen** – This year, I participated in virtual Presbytery meetings and briefly led a small group discussion. I'm active in the Setauket Presbyterian Church's life with support to the pastors, staff, and congregational leaders: on occasional upon request liturgist assistance. For personal study time, I've revisited and wrote a memoir chapter on my leadership in "experiential theology"; tried to stay abreast with church transformation; personal attention to spiritual formation in the final years of life. This year, I've attended virtually, Poor People Campaign- Long Island, Erase Racism, Brookhaven Bridge Builders, Lobbying Congress WH, AARP, Washington Office, Move On, and political activities with the Democratic Party. I'm happy to announce that I got married and bought a condo. We enjoy taking rides around Long Island. Zoom worship, family, and friends.

**William S. Causey** - No Report

**Richard Crayton** - No Report

**Jean Dix** – Recently moved to a Nursing Home facility

**George Gaffga** - No Report

**Kenneth E. Graham** Within our Presbytery, I participated in virtual Presbytery meetings and virtually worshiped at the Baldwin Presbyterian Church. Outside the Presbytery, I've worked with LI. Jobs With Justice, AMOS (A Movement of Solidarity) Committee on social justice issues here on Long Island. For fun, Ken is "Staying Alive." **Message to the Presbytery** *Stay Well!*

**Karen Sue Hybertsen** Since retiring, I have attended Presbytery meetings via Zoom, including working on liturgy for one of the meetings. Given the pandemic I have been remotely worshipping (as haven't we all), I have chosen

to worship with my mother in her Church in San Diego. It is a comfort to her to know we 'attend' together. I have also been regularly supporting the food pantry of the Ringwood Community Presbyterian Church. My Ministry-related study and professional development consist of writing a book, *Letter to the Comfortable Church: A Pastor's Journey Through Romans*. Currently, I am working on chapter 5. For fun, I enjoy quilting, writing, and gardening. **Message to the Presbytery** *It has been a long and different year for all of us. Blessings to all of you as you have continued to bring the word and create a community in new ways.*

**John W. Kloepfer** - attends the Westhampton Presbyterian Church, worship services, and other activities and programs. When able to participate in Presbytery meetings and have done supply preaching in various churches. John participates in an online prayer and reflection group with people from New York to New Zealand. For fun, John enjoys walking, read, play golf, and tennis.

**Donald R. Knight** – - No Report

**Angus Ian Campbell Laing** - attends and men's weekly Bible study at First Presbyterian Church in Babylon. While most Presbyterian Churches have been closed during the pandemic, he worships weekly in Our Lady of Lourdes parish in Massapequa Park. Ian has been discovering the now called "progressive" movement through the Presbyterian Establishment in the political world for professional development. He has been privileged to be involved in prison ministry through weekly contact and support of incarcerated friends upstate. For fun, Ian is exploring what is going on in our world, reading, lamenting obvious corruption in the media and politics, tending to two strains of the bamboo in his back yard and discovering the wisdom of previous generations (e.g., H.L. Mencken) **Message to the Presbytery** – *Gratitude and hope prevail through the Gospel, but where is H.L. Mencken when we need him? Years ago, he described our current situation "The country's rulers, for the most part, were charlatans, its poets... unimportant it's colleges and universities were a disgrace, its clergy was a menace to civilized life, its newspapers were largely manned by incompetents, and its citizens were of such a low level of intelligence that they deserved what they got" The American Scene - H.L. Mencken. I'm still an optimist! God Bless*

**Paul Moon** – No report

**Elisabeth K. Simpson - (Betsy)** Resides in PA and is currently connected with First Presbyterian Church Bethlehem, Pa. She attends the adult Bible class and is a worship reader on occasion. Betsy stays very active in the LI Presbytery by attending Presbytery meetings and is the Glenwood Life Center Commission's Chair. For Ministry-related study and professional development, her Adult Bible Classes she attends have focused variously on Biblical materials, books, speakers, etc., and how the Bible addresses current social justice issues. Betsy is on the Executive Committee of the Presbyterian Peace Fellowship, and for the past 6-9 months, They have been engaged in a deep focus on abolition/Defund the Police. She is also on the Board of the Center and Library for Bible and Social Justice. We have been hosting monthly online programs and speakers focused on "detoxifying" Biblical text. For fun, Betsy daily walks, reading, connecting by phone and zoom with family and friends, crossword and jigsaw puzzles, checking out the show on Netflix. **Message to the Presbytery**- *Retirement is excellent, better before and after COVID; I have gotten both my shots, so I'm looking forward to hugs and sharing in-person time with lots of friends and family. Be safe, everyone! Get your shot(s) as soon as you are able! Peace.*

**Michael F. Smith** – Second Vice-Moderator

**Norman D. Stanton** Retired to Atlanta, GA, enjoys reading and spending time with his wife and family.

**Message to the Presbytery** - *My wife and I moved to a beautiful retirement community in Atlanta, GA, in*

*December of 2020, near our daughter and family. It's with pleasure and appreciation continue my association with LI Presbytery which.*

**Robert B. Stuart** is Pastor Emeritus of the First Presbyterian Church in Amagansett and a Cuba Work Group member. Rob enjoys writing, walking, and playing the piano.

**Holly Haile Thompson** - Most of my ministry has been online – my Covid isolation began in February and I was on the Canadian side of Akwesasne when the borders closed. I've met via Zoom occasionally with colleagues, and would count my work with the Padoquohan Medicine Lodge, Inc. and the LI Poor Peoples Campaign, and the Sunrise Warriors 30 day Occupation and Food Give-Away, as well as the advocacy activities for the protection of the Shinnecock Monuments in light of New York State's threatened violence against our property along Sunrise Highway as part of the life of the LI Presbytery – at least from a Shinnecock perspective. Beginning in May 2020 thru November 2020 I was invited to be part of the NEXT Church Blog Cohort – composing 6 written pieces for publication on the NEXT Church website. The study and exercise of this project was, I believe, mutually beneficial during the months of Covid that hit my Native communities particularly hard. In 2020 my religious and ecclesiastical activities has included ongoing leadership with the Padoquohan Medicine Lodge, Inc among my Shinnecock community; continued participation with the Racial Equity Advocacy Committee (PCUSA) and the Native American Consulting Committee (NACC); I also took part in several segments of the Meeting of the General Assembly with the Native American Coordinating Committee including Land Acknowledgement and a 'Teach In' related to the Doctrine of Discovery and served as resource person for several actions that came before the Assembly – particularly of note PCUSA attention to the ongoing crisis of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls and 2 Spirited (MMIWG2S) All of these events were live – online.

*Message to the Presbytery I send greetings to my colleagues – the Covid crisis has been a difficult time for everyone, in particular we have lost several family members since it began; my sister lost her mother-in-law, then her brother-in-law to Covid; we lost our lost an aunt and a brother and I, a brother-in-law and a nephew, and could not mourn these losses as we would have were it not for the Covid; and just last month my sister then lost her father-in-law. Many other Shinnecock families have experienced the deadly effects of Covid and it is hoped that the measures to protect our communities with vaccines and PPE will help us as the illness seems to continue.*

**Ralph B. Wright, Jr.** - Doing Pulpit Supply for many of our churches in pastoral transitions

#### **MEMBERS-AT-LARGE:**

**Nancy S. Jennings** - This year, Nancy has done some supply preaching at Westhampton Presbyterian Church, way too many funerals with socially distanced at graveside or Zoom, and the planning stages of weddings scheduled in the Fall of 2021. Nancy is involved on the Board of Trustees of the Union Theology Seminary, Executive Committee, Trusteeship, Development, Strategic Planning Committees Chair, and Educational Policy Committee, as well as the Sacred Circle Dance Worldwide (online for now).

*Message to the Presbytery – Blessing to all!*

**Terri Ofori**- No Report

**Anne Stewart-Miller** - No Report

#### **INACTIVE:**

**Carol Maher** – No Report

## 2020 Presbytery Statistical Report

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**Membership**

Prior Active Members	7565	Adjusted membership	7561
<b>Gains</b>		<b>Losses</b>	
Certificate	15	Certificate	20
Youth Professions	61	Deaths	116
Professions & Reaffirmations	65	Deleted for any Other Reason	258
<b>Total Gains</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>Total Losses</b>	<b>394</b>
<b>Total Ending Active Members</b>	<b>7308</b>		

**Baptisms**

Presented by Others	30	Average Weekly Worship Attendance	1989
At Confirmation	3	Female Members	4450
All Other	2	Friends of the Congregation	1033
		Ruling Elders on Session	378
		Do you have Deacons? Yes / No	39 / 4

**Age Distribution of Active Members**

25 & Under	926
26 - 40	973
41 - 55	1149
56 - 70	1690
Over 70	1440
<b>Total Age Distribution</b>	<b>6178</b>

**People with Disabilities**

Hearing impairment	129
Sight impairment	48
Mobility impairment	177
Other impairment	123

**Christian Education**

Birth - 3	67	Grade 7	76
Age 4	56	Grade 8	66
Kindergarten	50	Grade 9	73
Grade 1	41	Grade 10	62
Grade 2	47	Grade 11	53
Grade 3	64	Grade 12	38
Grade 4	66	Young Adults	91
Grade 5	49	Over 25	561
Grade 6	68	Teachers/Officers	250
		<b>Total Christian Education</b>	<b>1778</b>

**Racial Ethnic**

Asian/Pacific Islander/South Asian	84	Native American/Alaska Native/Indigenous	20
Black/African American/African	1039	White	4589
Middle Eastern/North African	26	Multiracial	118
Hispanic/Latino-a	180		
		<b>Total Racial Ethnic</b>	<b>6056</b>

**Financial Data**

Annual Income	10,623,852	Mission Expenses	836,855
Annual Expenses	11,275,370	Personnel Expenses	5,794,649
		Facilities Expenses	2,800,074

**Report of the Board of Trustees****Presbytery of Long Island Stated Meeting – Southampton/Zoom - April 24, 2021**

## Trustees Report - Items for Information Only

1. We approved seeking a \$50,000.00 Loan / Grant from the Synod, with the possibility of another \$50,000.00 later in the year to help with budget shortfalls.
2. We authorized Steve to go forward in working with Teresa LeBrun, who has done a tremendous amount of work overseeing the East Moriches properties, to assess the damage caused by the burst pipe at the East Moriches Manse and to begin any needed repairs.
3. We reiterated our approval for the sale of a parcel of land at the Holmes Camp (previously approved over a decade ago).
4. We approved a "lease to own" agreement with Pastor Jose Martinez of Iglesia Evangelica Jehova Shalom for the East Moriches Manse.
5. We discussed our investment positions with Merrill Lynch vis-a-vis the need for a short-term loan for current expenses due to revenue shortfalls that will be covered by the Synod Grant Income (once the Grant is received - per above).



**Report of the Committee on Preparation for Ministry (CPM)  
Stated Meeting of Presbytery Southampton/Zoom – April 24, 2021**

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**January 27, 2021 CPM Meeting via Zoom**

NO ACTIONS ITEMS FOR PRESBYTERY

Committee Reports for Information to the Presbytery:

1. Brief Consultation with Inquirers Mylika Slaughter and Kirsty Dickson-Maret who will each be examined for Candidate status at January 30, 2021, Stated Presbytery meeting.
2. We have received updates from CPM liaisons on CRE/Inquirers/Candidates under care.


**April 14, 2021 CPM Meeting via Zoom**

NO ACTIONS ITEMS FOR PRESBYTERY

Committee Reports for Information to the Presbytery:

1. Welcomed new members to the Committee: Rev. Scott Williams, Rev. Gloria Johnson, and Rev. Moira Ahearne.
2. Committee approves CRE candidate David Brackett be allowed to substitute Christian Education self-study course from Holsten Presbytery for the remaining Christian education course at Dubuque Seminary due to scheduling issues with the seminary offers. The Committee appoints Rev. Moira Ahearne (Freeport/Merrick) to serve as a local proctor for the course.
3. Consultation with Ruling Elder Caren Heacock (Mattituck) following a referral from COM. CPM commits to enter a period of discernment and program development with Caren in order to further explore her sense of call and fully develop and utilize her gifts for ministry within and under the jurisdiction of the Presbytery. This process will involve Caren and CPM in consultation with COM and the Session of the Mattituck church.
4. We have received updates from CRE/Inquirers/Candidates under care.

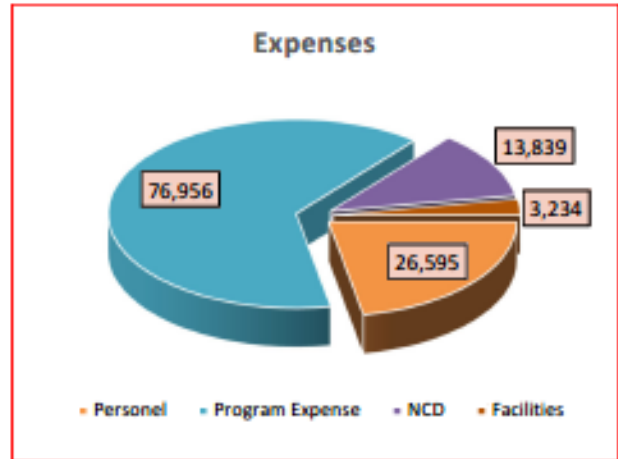
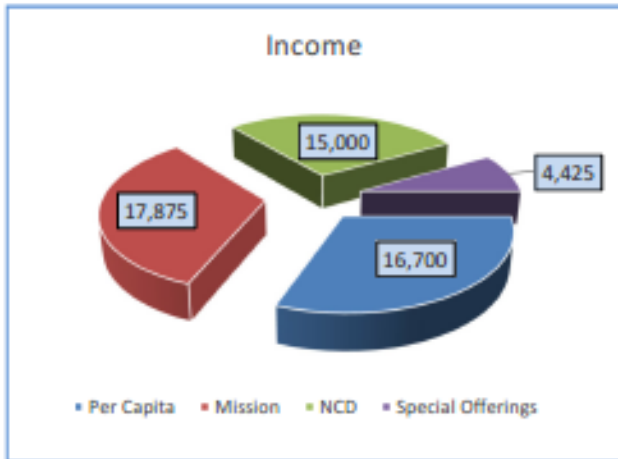
The next scheduled Meeting May 12, 2021, at 11:00 am via Zoom.



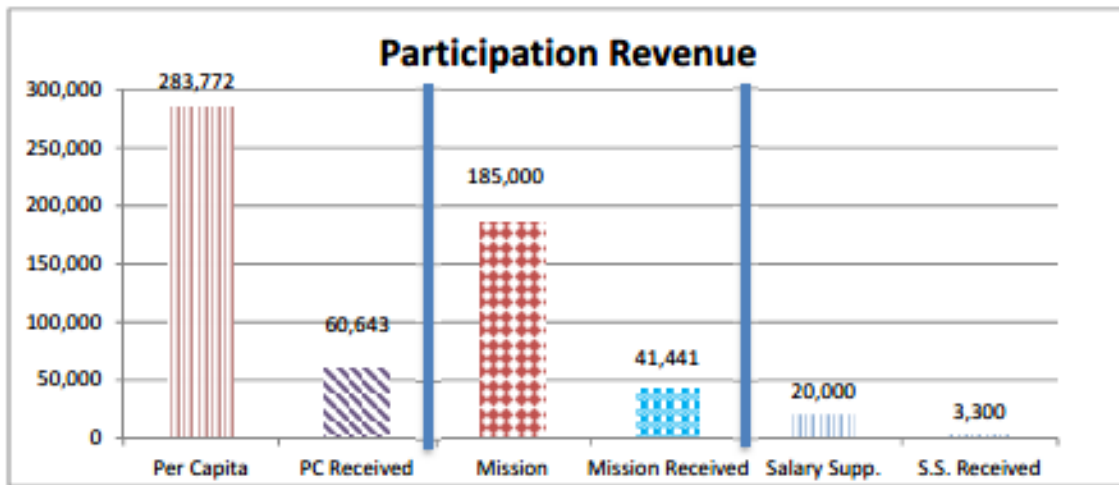
## Treasurer's Report

### March 31, 2021

	<b>This Month</b>	<b>Year-To-Date</b>
Income	137,883.47	256,043.51
Expenses	<u>126,273.07</u>	<u>265,782.12</u>
<b>Cash Flow</b>	<b><u>11,610.40</u></b>	<b><u>-9,738.61</u></b>



Per Capita is actually the opportunity for each of us to participate equally, responsibly and interdependently by sharing the cost of mission. It's the opportunity to share in our mission of performing ecclesiastical, legislative and judicial functions that identify a reformed church, and at the same time, strengthen the sense of community for all Presbyterians, bringing people together to discern the mind of Christ.



<b>Per Capita Percent Achieved</b>	<b>21.37%</b>
<b>Mission Giving Percent Achieved</b>	<b>22.40%</b>
<b>Salary Supplement Percent Achieved</b>	<b>16.50%</b>

So we are three months into 2021, and I must say that the participation thus far is commendable. As you can see, we are very close to our Per Capita and Mission Giving percentage received dynamic; although we are a bit behind with Salary Supplement. We have also lowered our cash flow deficit, which is always a good thing. Let's keep striving to help close that gap. As always, if necessary, you may contact me via email me at: [finance@presbyteryofli.org](mailto:finance@presbyteryofli.org).