

Installation of the Moderator for 2024

2025 Moderator - Elder Ellen Gove

Sentences of Scripture - Moderator/Elder Donald Adams

Leader As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourself with Christ.

People There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male or female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.

Leader Lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

People There is one body and one Spirit, just as we were called to the one hope of our calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

Call to Discipleship - Moderator/Elder Donald Adams

Leader We are called by God to be the church of Jesus Christ, a sign in the world today of what God intends for all of humankind.

People The great ends of the church are the proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind, the shelter, nurture, and spiritual fellowship of the children of God; the maintenance of divine worship; the preservation of the truth; the promotion of social righteousness; and the exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world.

Leader The call of Christ is to willing, dedicated discipleship. Our discipleship is a manifestation of the new life we enter through baptism. Discipleship is both a gift and a commitment, an offering and a responsibility.

Constitutional Questions – Rev. Kate Jones Calone/Stated Clerk

Leader **Elder Ellen Gove**, the grace bestowed on you in baptism is sufficient for your calling because it is God's grace. By God's grace, we are saved and enabled to grow in the faith and to commit our lives in ways that serve Christ. God has called you to particular service. Show your purpose by answering these questions.

Leader Who is your Lord and Savior?

Moderator Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior

Leader Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his word and showing His love?

Moderator I, with God's help

Leader Do you welcome the responsibility of this service because you are determined to follow the Lord Jesus, to love neighbors, and to work for the reconciling of the world?

Moderator I do

Leader Will you serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love, relying on God's mercy and rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit?

Moderator I will, with God's help

To The Presbytery - Moderator/Elder Donald Adams

Leader Do you, members of the Presbytery of Long Island, confirm the call of God to **Ellen Gove**, as Moderator in the service of Jesus Christ?

People **We do.**

Leader Will you support and encourage her in this ministry?

People **We will.**

Installation Prayer - Moderator/Elder Donald Adams

Leader Faithful God, in baptism, you claimed us, and by your Holy Spirit, you are working in our lives, empowering us to live a life worthy of our calling. We thank you for leading **Ellen**, to this time and place. Establish her in your truth, and guide her by your Holy Spirit, that in your service she may grow in faith, hope, and love, and be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever.

People **Almighty God, in Jesus Christ, you called disciples and, by the Holy Spirit, made them one church to serve you. Please bring your Spirit to rule our church so that we may be joined in love and service to Jesus Christ, who, having gone before us, is coming to meet us in the promise of your kingdom. Amen**

Charge - Moderator/Elder Donald Adams

Leader **Ellen**, You are installed to serve as Moderator in the Presbytery of Long Island. Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God through Him.

Presentation of the Symbols of Office - Moderator/Elder Donald Adams

The Moderator invites **Ellen** over and presents the symbols to her.

Blessings - Moderator/Elder Donald Adams

Leader May the God of peace make you holy in every way and keep your whole being, spirit, soul, and body free from every fault at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.