

Guided by the Spirit, Our Presbytery follows Christ by partnering with congregations, communities, and individuals to embody God's inclusive love and justice in an ever-changing world.



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Our Presbytery

Highlights from Our May 2, 2026, Stated Presbytery Meeting



**Greetings from the
Cutchogue Presbyterian Church,
CRE Richie King**



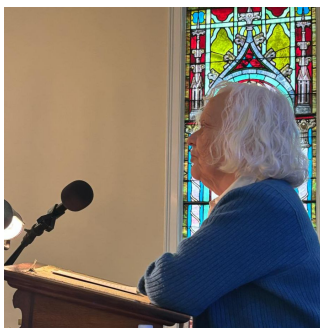
**Worship led by our moderator,
Rev. Rachel Vione**

Honoring Retirements

Rev. William Hoffmann Montauk Community Church

Rev. Peter Kelley First Presbyterian Church, Southold





Words of Recognition
Elder Susan Raymond
from Montauk
Community Church



Thanks & Presentation of
Gifts from the Presbytery
Rev. Kate Jones Calone,
Executive Presbyter &
Stated Clerk



Words of Recognition
Rev. Kirsty Dickson-Maret
from Middle Island
Presbyterian Church



Commissioning of our 227th GA Commissioners & Young Adult Advisory Delegate

Commissioner Rev. Dr. Karen Crawford, Smithtown (*shown*)
Commissioner Rev. Samuel Shin, Great Neck
Commissioner Elder Donald Adams, Selden (*shown*)
Commissioner Elder Natasha Jean-Louis, Deer Park
Young Adult Advisory Delegate Marissa Ganga, Brentwood

Examination of Candidate for Ordination Stephanie Castlen



Matthew 25 Moment



Cuba Work Group Trip
Elder Barbara D'Andrea



U.S.-Mexico Border Trip
Elder Janice Kincaid

Celebration of the soon-to-be Valley Stream Community Presbyterian Church



Pray With Us



Thank you to our hosts the Cutchogue Presbyterian Church!



2026 Presbytery Meetings

Tuesday, September 15, 2026 @ 10:00 AM
Sisters of St. Joseph Campus, Brentwood
Saturday, November 21, 2026 @ 9:00 AM



On Saturday, May 9th, leaders from our churches in Nassau County gathered for breakfast for a meaningful time of fellowship, conversation, and collaboration, sparked by the work of the Enduring Witness Team and hosted by our presbytery. Church leaders shared stories, exchanged ideas, and strengthened relationships as they explored ways to support and encourage one another in ministry.

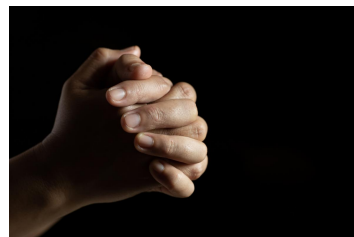


My name is Bill Phillips. I'm a member of the Trustees for Presbytery and co-chair of our Property Management of Center Moriches Presbyterian Church. We had a recent break-in at our church during our preschool program. It made the local news, but everyone was safe and followed lockdown protocol. As a retired teacher/electronics technician. I would like to offer our Presbyterian churches my knowledge about inexpensive monitoring camera systems and motion lighting. Our times have changed, as Center Moriches just learned. If you feel you could enhance your lighting and security, please give me a call, and I can offer suggestions on what your church can do. The Presbytery Trustees have supported this free outreach for my help- I'm not receiving any funds for my support. Bill Phillips- 631-255-4771 cell



Join in prayer across our presbytery

Presbytery of Long Island
Mid-Week Pause for Prayer
 Every Wednesday, 6:30-7:00 PM,
 on Zoom



Please join together across our presbytery for a time of prayer for our needs, our congregations, our nation, and our world. Gently facilitated by past-Moderator Elder Don Adams, this brief gathering on Zoom will offer weekly connection and a space to gather our prayers as we seek God's guidance during challenging days. All are welcome.

[Click here to join the Zoom](#)

Meeting ID: 899 9412 3794

Passcode: 575901

Creation of an Immigration Emergency Fund

Our Presbytery's Immigration Task Force and the Shepherding Council invite congregations to contribute to a fund that will provide financial support for the legal and other costs of families in our congregations who are impacted by immigration actions or deportation. Recipients would be referred by a congregation in our presbytery and must have a relationship with the congregation. Any financial assistance will be approved by the Moderator team. *Individual or church contributions can be sent via check made out to the "Presbytery of Long Island" with "immigration emergency fund" in the memo and sent to Presbytery of Long Island, 109 Udall Rd., West Islip, NY 11795.*

Events & Notices from Our Churches

Promote Your Next Church Event Here

Please send:

Event Name/Dates/Church/PDF flyer or link
to laurie@presbyteryofli.org



Click on the event for more information!

Babylon: *Faith and Fitness Mondays 7- 8:15 PM May 4 - Jun 15*



Food Pantries in Our Presbytery

As food pantries are working to meet increased need in their communities, we ask churches in our presbytery to consider offering additional support to congregations that host food pantries. [Click here](#) for a list of pantries in our presbytery.

PART-TIME POSITION AVAILABLE

Live Stream Video Producer

First Presbyterian Church of Smithtown
175 E Main Street, Smithtown, NY 11787



This position exists to ensure that people who cannot attend in-person worship can clearly see, hear, and participate in our weekly worship services online. The Live Stream Video Producer plays a key role in delivering a high-quality, distraction-free video broadcast of each service.

Live Streaming & Sunday Production - Primary Responsibilities:

- Live stream weekly worship services with consistency and technical excellence
- Arrive every Sunday at least one-half hour before the 10 am service for turn on system verification
- Support setup, testing, and troubleshooting activities on days between services
- Operate the live streaming production for a service of one hour or more
- Monitor stream quality during the service and resolve issues
- Become proficient in operating Vmix Streaming Software and related production hardware
- Be familiar with Windows 11 operating computer environment

Position Type & Time Commitment

Part-Time:
Estimated not to exceed 5 hours per week
Primary Commitment:
Sundays (approximately 2-3 hours)
Required Arrival Time: 9:30 AM every Sunday
Additional hours as needed for
Christmas services, Easter, special services
or seasonal projects, and resolution of
technical problems.

Preferred Software/Program Experience

Experience with live video streaming,
broadcast, or video production hardware
and software.
Willingness to learn church-specific
requirements.
Familiarity with Microsoft 365 office
programs such as Word and PowerPoint.
Basic Understanding of PA system,
microphones, audio levels, and live sound
environments.



Compensation: Based on experience, skills.
Pay: \$22.00 - \$25.00 per hour
Interested persons should send resume via email to
billrusskg@verizon.net





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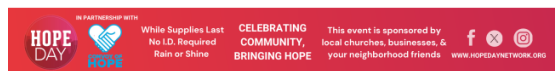
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- + REGALOS Y MAS



Local Events

Please Join Us!
Sunday, May 17 | 4 pm
United Lutheran Church of Long Island
Gloria Dei Campus
22 E. 18th St. Huntington Station

Donation requested:
\$20 per person
\$10 Children (5-15)
Under 5 yrs - free

**Get tickets
or donate here**

Gathering of Hope

Join us for an **ECLECTIC CONCERT** of hope, resistance and love to support our immigrant brothers and sisters in detention and their families.
For information, please contact MaryBeth @ MBGUYTHER@GMAIL.COM

LONG ISLAND IMMIGRANT JUSTICE ALLIANCE Funds will support the **FRIEND FUND**, a project of the Long Island Immigrant Justice Alliance (LIJA) - Donations can be made to Centro Corazón de María.

CENTRO CORAZÓN DE MARÍA
Religious of the Sacred Heart of Mary

¡Únete a nosotros!
Domingo, 17 de mayo | 4:00 pm
United Lutheran Church of Long Island
Gloria Dei Campus
22 E. 18th St. Huntington Station

Donación solicitada:
\$20 por persona.
\$10 niños (de 5 a 15 años).
Menores de 5 años: gratis.

**Compra boletos
o dona aquí**

Encuentro de Esperanza

Únete a nosotros en un **CONCIERTO ECLÉCTICO** de esperanza, resistencia y amor para apoyar a nuestros hermanos y hermanas inmigrantes detenidos y a sus familias.
Para más información, póngase en contacto con MaryBeth en MBGUYTHER@GMAIL.COM.

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Invites you to Join Us!

ELDER LAW SEMINAR

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38-20 BOWNE ST. FLUSHING, NY 11354

SATURDAY, JUNE 6TH **2:00 PM**

- ✓ Estate Planning
- ✓ Medicare Changes 2025
- ✓ Trust Agreements
- ✓ Health Care Proxy

Ronald Fatoullah Chairs the firm's Elder Law Practice Group and is a Partner in the firm's Trusts & Estates Practice Group

Open To The Public Refreshments Parking Available

Contact Us To RSVP: 347 532-3050 www.flushinghouse.com

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ELDER LAW SEMINAR

YAN LIAN KUANG-MAOGA

FLUSHING HOUSE
38-20 BOWNE ST. FLUSHING, NY 11354

SATURDAY, JUNE 13TH **2:00 PM**

2:00 PRESENTATION IN ENGLISH
3:00 PRESENTATION IN CHINESE

- ✓ Power of Attorney/Health Care Proxy
- ✓ Long-term Care/Medicaid Basics
- ✓ Trust Agreements
- ✓ Living Will/Last Will & Testament

YAN LIAN KUANG-MAOGA is a New York City-based attorney managing Pitta & Baione's Elder Law, Medicaid Planning, Trust and Estates Planning, Probate, Estate Administration, and Special Needs Planning practice areas. Lian speaks English, Cantonese, Mandarin, and Toishanese.

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New Page on Insurance Board Website:

Policy Templates

includes sample abuse prevention policies, facility use agreements, emergency plan templates, sample employee handbook guides, and more!

[Click Link](#)

The Center for Public Justice is now accepting applications for the 2026-27 Preaching Reformed Fellowship

Deadline: June 15

The Preaching Reformed Fellowship exists for pastors who understand that justice and political discipleship matter but aren't sure how their theology supports these efforts, how to step into the work of public witness, how to help their congregations develop a social imagination that includes caring for the whole world, or how any of that can be faithfully communicated in the pulpit. Preaching Reformed Fellowship is designed with the how questions in mind.

What does the fellowship include?

- Opening and closing retreats in Washington, DC
- A cohort of 15-20 pastors engaging shared challenges and questions

CENTER FOR PUBLIC JUSTICE

PREACHING REFORMED FELLOWSHIP

A ONE-YEAR PROGRAM FOR PASTORS

www.cpjustice.org/preaching-reformed-fellowship/
Questions can be directed to Rev. Meg Jenista Kuykendall.

- Nine online webinars featuring practitioners, including voices from the global church and historically marginalized communities
- Monthly small group meetings (options include lectionary study, political theology, spiritual direction, or sermon coaching)
- One-on-one mentorship to develop a “proclamation project” (previous participants created sermons, series outlines, workshops, or written resources)

To learn more or apply, visit
cpjustice.org/preaching-reformed-fellowship/
 Questions can be directed to Rev. Meg Jenista Kuykendall
 at meg.jenista@cpjustice.org

Synod of The Northeast



Matthew 25 In Action: A Film Series that Deepened Faith, Justice, and Care for Creation

In the Matthew 25 invitation, Jesus makes clear that faith is never only what we believe—it is how we live, how we treat others, and how we respond to the needs of our neighbors. For First Presbyterian Church of Cooperstown, NY, that call expanded outward this winter through a thoughtful three-Sunday Film Series in February, offered through “Faith in Place” as part of the Annual Environmental & Spirituality Summit of 2025. [Read More](#)



Join the Storytelling & Communications Team

Every story shared across the Synod of the Northeast is a witness to the Spirit at work—through our congregations, presbyteries, and ministry partners. As we continue to reimagine the Church in the world, we are looking for individuals who feel called to help tell these stories in meaningful and creative ways.

If you have a passion for storytelling, communications, or simply want to help share the work of the Church, we invite you to be part of this growing team. Your perspective and creativity can help strengthen our connectional church and amplify the mission we share.

If you are interested in joining, please reach out to
[Email Mark Bennett - Communications Specialist](#)

Reflections on Hospitality at the Synod Commission

A recent reflection from the Synod Commission lifts up the importance of hospitality in the life of the church. Through shared meals, intentional welcome, and thoughtful

preparation, participants experienced how simple acts can foster deeper connection and community. Hospitality was not just something offered, but something lived out together. This reflection invites us to consider how we can create spaces of belonging, generosity, and care in our own ministries and gatherings. [Read Article](#)



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WHO'LL BE a WITNESS?

PRESBYTERIAN ASSOCIATION OF MUSICIANS
2026 WORSHIP & MUSIC CONFERENCE
JUNE 21-26 & JUNE 28-JULY 3

REGISTER BY JANUARY 31 TO RECEIVE THE EARLY BIRD RATE

VISIT [PRESBYMUSIC.ORG/CONFERENCE](https://presbysmusic.org/conference)
OR SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER



Presbyterian Peace Fellowship Gun Violence Prevention Ministry

Concerned about Gun Violence?
Atwood Institute 2026
Registration is Open!

Come learn with other congregations how to build and sustain a gun-violence-prevention ministry in your faith community. **The 3rd Annual James Atwood Institute for Congregational Courage** will be Sept. 15-18, 2026, at the Heartland Center near Kansas City, MO.

As you build relationships with other faith activists from across the nation, expect to learn practical, pastoral, and prophetic skills for guiding your congregation in the task of saving lives and healing the trauma and fear brought by 38,000 lives stolen by gun violence last year.

Who should come? Lay leaders and teams, pastors, parents and grandparents, gun violence survivors, suicide prevention groups, gun owners, safety and public health advocates, veterans, youth leaders---people of faith who are committed to saving lives. **All denominations are welcome.**

Space is limited. Reserve your space today. Scholarships are available. Click [HERE](#) to learn more or use the QR code.

Keynote Speaker **Jer Swigart**, co-author of *Mending the Divides*, will challenge us to deepen our theological calling for gun-violence prevention and to teach skills for healing.

The James Atwood Institute is an ecumenical project of the Presbyterian Peace Fellowship. Find a Presbyterian News Service story [HERE](#).

www.presbypeacefellowship.org/james-atwood-institute

presbypeacefellowship.org/gun-violence-prevention

Rev. Margery Rossi, Minister for Gun Violence Prevention

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The 227th General Assembly of the PC(USA) will be held in Milwaukee in 2026. Learn more by reading the latest issue of GA227's April "On the Road to GA / Issue 9 " [Open Issue](#)

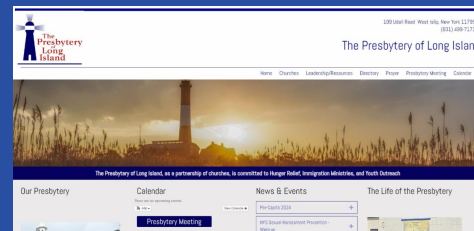
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