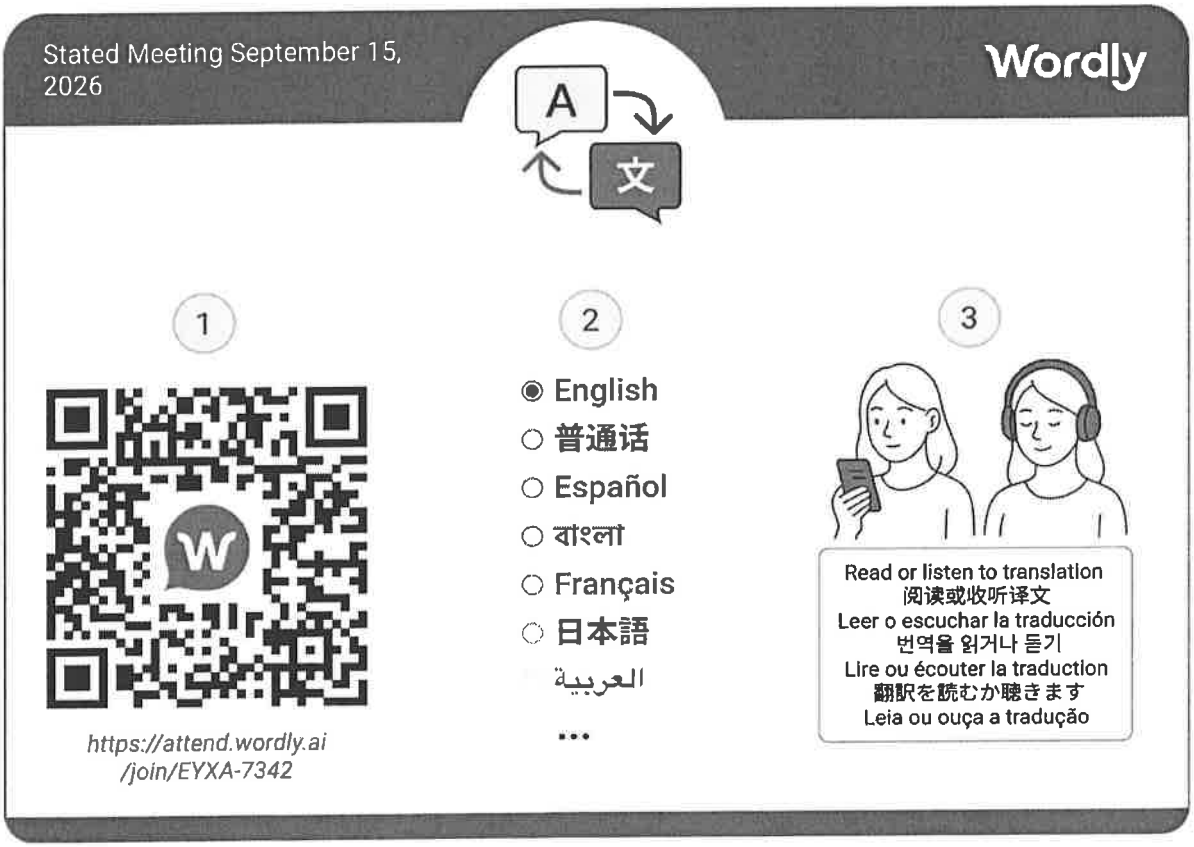
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Presbytery of Long Island Stated Meeting
November 14, 2026

Moderator - Rev. Rachel Vione
Stated Clerk - Rev. Kate Jones Calone

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Rev. Rachel Vione, Moderator **DOCKET November 14, 2026** **Rev. Kate Jones Calone, Stated Clerk**

9:00 AM Sign In & Fellowship

9:25 AM Wordly Reminder

9:30 AM Land Acknowledgment Elder Natalie Naylor

The Presbytery of Long Island acknowledges that the land on which we gather–first known by names such as Paumanake, Sewanhacky, and Wamponomon, and after colonization also called Long Island–is the ancestral territory and unceded homelands of many communities of Indigenous peoples, including the Canarsies, Rockaways, Merricks, Massapequas, Matinecocks, Nissaquogues, Setaukets, Corchaugs, Secatogues, Unkechaugs, Shinnecock, Montaukett, and Manhansets. We honor their stewardship under God of this land for over 11,000 years.

As residents of Long Island, we confess and lament the systematic removal, isolation, and forced assimilation of the original stewards of creation. As members of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), we acknowledge that our denomination has been both the beneficiary of the Doctrine of Discovery and an active participant in the exclusion and erasure of native peoples and the denial of their sovereignty. As neighbors and siblings in the human family of the Creator, we honor the current and future generations of Indigenous nations and communities and commit to learn and grow in solidarity and just relationships.

Call to Worship Based on Psalm 123 *(responsive)* Rev. Rachel Vione, Moderator

Leader: To you, O Lord, we lift our eyes, for you are the One who reigns in heaven.
People: We look to you, O God, trusting in your mercy and steadfast love.

Leader: As servants look to the hands of their master, we look to you, seeking your guidance and direction.
People: Our eyes are upon you, O Lord. Lead us in your wisdom and strengthen us in our calling.

Leader: In times of uncertainty, when the work is difficult, and the road ahead is unclear, we wait for the Lord our God.
People: Have mercy upon us, O God. Give us patience in our waiting, courage in our serving, and grace in our working together.

Leader: We gather as one presbytery, many congregations, many gifts, and one body in Christ.
People: May our worship unite us, may your Spirit guide us, and may our ministry reflect your love to the world.

Leader: Let us lift our eyes to the Lord, from whom our help comes!
All: We worship you, O God, and place our trust in you.

Prayer Rev. Rachel Vione, Moderator

***Hymn** *Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord* *Printed (p. 6) / PowerPoint*
**Please rise in body or spirit.*

9:40 AM **Welcoming** — Rev. Rachel Vione, Moderator

Welcome from Host Church — Rev. Karen Crawford

Roll Call and Excuses — Rev. Kate Jones Calone

Welcome to the new Elders Commissioners, and Members — Rev. Rachel Vione, Moderator

Welcome to Corresponding Members — Rev. Rachel Vione, Moderator

Approval of the Consent Agenda — Rev. Rachel Vione, Moderator

Motion *That the Presbytery approve the Consent Agenda for November 14, 2026, as presented. (pp. 7-8)*

9:55 AM **Shepherding Council** *(pp. 14-16)* — Elder Ellen Gove

Associate Presbyter Search Committee *(p.17)*
Rev. Rachel Vione, Rev. Emily Fowler, Elder Donald Adams and Elder Frank Sansone

Treasurer's Report and Budget *(pp. 18-21)* — Charlaine Apsel

Motion *To approve the Budget for 2027 as presented (pp.18-19)*

2025 Financial Review *(attached pp. 22-36)*

10:20 AM **Board of Trustees** *(pp. 37-43)* — Rev. Stephen Adkison

Motion *to approve the sale of Vacant Land Parcel Section 27, Block 33, Lot 130 in Oyster Bay, NY, by the First Presbyterian Church of Oyster Bay for $225,000, should the way be clear after all applicable municipal approvals.*

Motion *to approve the attached resolutions for the sale of the property of the former E. Moriches congregation (pp. 39-43)*

10:25 AM **Executive Presbyter / Stated Clerk** *(pp. 44-46)* — Rev. Kate Jones Calone

Reports from Committees and Administrative Commissions:
Moderator Team - included
Immigration Task Force - included
Central Administrative Commission - included
Social Witness Committee - included
Nominations - attached *(p. 47)*
Enduring Witness Report - attached *(p. 48)*
Committee on Preparation for Ministry - attached *(p. 49)*
Committee on Ministry - attached *(p. 50)*
Personnel Committee Report *(p. 51)*
Yaphank Administrative Commission - No Report
Valley Stream Administrative Commission - No Report

10:35 AM Worship

Gathering Music

Scripture Reading- Psalm 100

Commissioning Service *(pp. 52-54)*
Associate Presbyter for Congregational Vitality, Rev. Shavon Starling-Louis
Installation Service of Vice Moderator
Elder Luci Duckson-Bramble

Litany of Thanksgiving for the Service to the Presbytery *(p.55)*
Elder Ellen Gove - Past-Moderator and Moderator of the Shepherding Council
Rev. Rachel Vione - Moderator
Transfer of the symbols of the Moderator

Necrology 2025 Rev. Rachel Vione, Moderator

Offering Rev. Dr. Karen Crawford

***Today's offering will support the Smithtown Emergency Food Pantry**, established in 1984 to provide food to residents who could not afford to feed their families. Our mission is to aid residents in an emergency food crisis. We are supported and staffed by seven Churches: The Byzantine Church of the Resurrection, The First Presbyterian Church of Smithtown, The Smithtown United Methodist Church, St. Andrews Lutheran Church, St. James Episcopal Church, St. James Lutheran Church, and St. Thomas of Canterbury Episcopal Church.*

Gifts may be given in person, online using the PayPal QR Code or Click Here. You may also mail a check payable to the Presbytery of Long Island Please write "Presbytery Offering" in the memo line. Thank you for your generosity and support!

Presbytery giving QR Code

Doxology Powerpoint

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that Love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication *(unison)*

Holy, holy, holy God,
open the eyes of our hearts to the needs of our neighbors,
and use the works of our hands to bring new life to the world.
May these gifts bear witness to your great power and love,
revealed in the dying and rising of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord's Supper Rev. Kate Jones Calone
Rev. Shavon Starling-Louis

Hymn *"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"* Printed p. 56 /PowerPoint

Thank you to our musicians for today's worship
Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison, Elder Bill Clark, and Elder Heather Reylek, Shelter Island Presbyterian Church

11:15 PM **Adjournment, Closing Prayer & Benediction** — Rev. Rachel Vione, Moderator

11:15 AM **BREAK**

11:30 AM **Presbytery Day Program Begins**

Built for Mission: Rethinking church buildings, real estate, and shared space — Carlin Beekman, Foundry Commercial

1:00 PM **Lunch**

1:45 PM **Built for Mission:** Real stories from our congregations about discerning God's call

Facilitated panel conversation — Rev. Dr. Rose Niles

Elder Mary Jane Dessables, FPC Baldwin

Elder Stella LaMassa, United Presbyterian Farmingdale

Rev. Emily Fowler, FPC Port Jefferson

Elder Selwyn Lee, FPC Mineola

Elder Candace Breen, Grace Presbyterian, Selden

2:30 PM **Break (15 minutes)**

2:45 PM ***Built for Mission*:** Some possible next steps for your congregation

Small group exercise — Elder Mary Jane Dessables and Elder Janice Kincaid

3:30 PM **Closing** — Rev. Kate Jones Calone

452 Open the Eyes of My Heart



The initial petition of this song is based on the language of Ephesians 1:18, while the second part draws on the account of Isaiah's vision in Isaiah 6:1–5. That event, in turn, is the basis of the threefold *Sanctus* that has

Consent Agenda

Presbytery of Long Island Stated Meeting November 14, 2026 - Smithtown

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Motions

1. That the Presbytery adopt the docket of November 14, 2026, as presented *(pp. 2-5)*

2. That the Presbytery approve the minutes of the Stated Meeting on September 15, 2026 *(minutes included in the packet; attachments and reports available on the PLI website) (pp. 9-13)*

3. To approve the following Amendments to the Constitution passed by the 227th General Assembly (2026) *[Stated Clerk Report pp.44-46]. The Full packet of amendments can be found at this link: ttps://pcusa.org/resource/proposed-amendments-constitution and was sent to all commissioners prior to the meeting.*

26-A — F-1.0305 26-B – G-2.010210 26-C — G-2.0104c 26-D — G-2.06 26-E — G-2.0601 26-F — G-2.0603 26-G — G-2.0603	26-H — 2.0606 26-I — G-2.06 26-J — G-2.0606 26-K — G-2.0607 26-L — G-2.0607 26-M — G-2.07 26-N — G-2.1002	26-O — G-2.1002 26-P — G-2.1002 26-Q — G-2.1002 26-R — G-2.1101 26-S — G-2.1103 26-T — G-3.0106 26-U — G-3.0106	26-V — G-3.0206 26-W — G-3.0301 26-X — G-3.0301 26-Y — G-3.0306 26-A — F-1.0305

4. To approve the submitted slate *(Nominating Committee Report p. 47)*
   Synod of the Northeast Commissioner/1 year/ Rev. Scott Williams (Roosevelt)
   Vice Moderator/ Elder Luci Duckson-Bramble (Hempstead)
   Commission on Ministry/'29/Rev. Wade Pond (Melville)
   Commission on Ministry/'29/Elder Roxanne Kiefer (Setauket)
   Commission on Ministry/'29/Rev. Dr. Karen Crawford (Smithtown)
   Board of Trustees/'29/Rev. Ida Rosario (Retired)
   Board of Trustees/'29/ Elder Jomo Forrester (Hempstead)
   Board of Trustees/'29/Elder Candace Breen (Selden)
   Personnel/'29/Elder Frank D'Andrea (Deer Park)
   Personnel/'29/Rev. Moira Ahearne (Freeport)
   Committee on Preparation for Ministry/'27/Rev. Ida Rosario (Retired)
   Committee on Preparation for Ministry/'29/Elder Lowell Simpson (Babylon)
   Committee on Preparation for Ministry/'29/Rev. Candy Whitman (Setauket)
   Social Witness Committee/'29/Elder Maria Studer (Levittown)
   Social Witness Committee/'29/Elder Heather Sini (Port Jefferson)
   New Worshiping Communities Team/'29/Elder Barbara D'Andrea (East Hampton)
   New Worshiping Communities Team/'29/Rev. Ida Rosario (Retired)
   New Worshiping Communities Team/'29/Elder Marilyn Fox (Northport)
   Shepherding Council At-Large/'29/Elder Selwyn Lee (Mineola)

5. To approve a 4% increase to the Presbytery Staff. *(Personnel Committee p. 51)*

6. To elect Rev. Kerry Riddle (West Islip) and Rev. James Crawford (Retired) as Ordination Exam Readers *(Committee on Preparation for Ministry Report p.490)*

7. The Committee on Preparation for Ministry moves that the Presbytery of Long Island, pursuant to Book of Order G-2.0607c, waive the academic requirement seeking a transcript from a theological institution accredited by the Association of Theological Schools (ATS), as the Reverend Sharon Austin-Barrow studied at a seminary outside of the US. The CPM has reviewed her transcript and finds it equivalent to an M.Div. program in the United States and more than satisfactory.
   A three-fourths (3/4) vote is required for approval. *(Committee on Preparation for Ministry Report p. 49)*

8. The Committee on Preparation for Ministry hereby requests that the Presbytery of Long Island authorize, in accordance with Book of Order G-2.0610, an alternative method of assessment pertaining to Theological Competence, Church Polity, Bible Exegesis, Bible Content, and Worship and Sacraments. This alternative approach will consist of both written and oral evaluations that have been developed by the CPM committee in consultation with the PC(USA) Manager of Preparation for Ministry and Exams. The Reverend Sharon Austin-Barrow was ordained in 2003 in The Methodist Church of the Caribbean and the Americas, has been fulfilling the role of Covenant Pastor at the Presbyterian Church in Elmont since January 2021, has fulfilled all the course requirements required by the Book of Order, has previously been approved by the Commission on Ministry to serve as the pastor in Elmont, and is now seeking to transfer her ordination to the PC(USA).
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Rev. Rachel Vione, Moderator
Rev. Kate Jones Calone, Stated Clerk

WE GATHER TOGETHER

The Presbytery of Long Island of the Presbyterian Church (USA) held a Stated Meeting at the Sisters of St. Joseph on Tuesday, September 15, 2026, with 87 in attendance, including 65 voting members. A quorum was present. The meeting was called to order at 10:05 AM, with prayer and call to worship by Rev. Rachel Vione, Moderator.

Roll Call - *Separate document*

A Land Acknowledgment was led by Rev. Heather Brannon of the Bellmore Presbyterian Church.

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Welcoming
Moderator Rev. Rachel Vione welcomed Ruling and Teaching Elders to a Presbytery meeting for the first time, as well as Corresponding Member Rev. SanDawna Gaulman Ashley, Synod Leader.

Approval Consent Agenda
MSP The Presbytery approved the Consent Agenda for September 15, 2026, as presented.

Consent Agenda

1. That the Presbytery adopt the docket of September 15, 2026, as presented
2. That the Presbytery approve the minutes of the Stated Meeting on May 2, 2026 (minutes included in the packet; attachments and reports available on the PLI website) (Stated Clerk Report)
3. To approve changing the date of the next Stated Presbytery Meeting/Presbytery Day from its previously scheduled date to Saturday, November 14, 2026 @ 9:30 AM. (Stated Clerk Report).
4. That the Presbytery approve the following meeting dates for 2027 (Stated Clerk Report)
   Tuesday, February 2, 2027 @ 6:00 PM - Zoom
   Saturday, May 8, 2027 @ 9:30 AM - In person

Tuesday, September 21, 2027 @ 10:00 AM - In person
Saturday, November 13, 2027 @ 9:30 AM - In person

5. To elect Elder Steve Bodden (Deer Park) to fill the unexpired 2026 term of Vice Moderator of the Presbytery of Long Island, succeeding the Rev. Matthew Means, and to serve as Moderator of the Presbytery of Long Island for 2027. (NOM Report)
6. To elect Elder Richard Schneider (Westhampton) to serve a one-year term as Commissioner to the Synod of the Northeast. (NOM Report)
7. To confer the status of retired on the Rev. Ida Rosario, effective August 3, 2026. (COM Report)
8. To elect Elder Luci Duckson-Bramble (Hempstead) and Elder Rich Perez (Baldwin) to the Nominating Committee (Shepherding Council Report)
9. To approve the Conflicts of Interest policy as presented (Shepherding Council Report)

Worship
Music: *Spirit of the Living God GTG #288*
Scripture: Micah 6:8 *(NRSV)* Rev. Ida Rosario read in English & Spanish
Sermon: Sister Karen Burke - President of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Brentwood
Hymn: Will You Let Me Be Your Servant GTG #727

Installation of 2026 Vice Moderator/2027 Moderator Elder Steve Bodden
Rev. Rachel Vione, *Moderator,* and Rev. Kate Jones Calone, *Executive Presbyter / Stated Clerk*

Recognizing the Anniversary of Women in Ministry in the PC(USA)
120 years of women deacons, 95 years of women ruling elders & 70 years of women clergy
Rev. Dr. SanDawna Gaulman Ashley
Elder Patricia Francis
Deacon Joan Tischner

Recognition of Retirement Rev. Ida Rosario - Brentwood Presbyterian Church
Words of Recognition
Elder Diana Amao of the Brentwood Presbyterian Church spoke on behalf of Rev. Ida Rosario

Service of Retirement from the Ministry of Word and Sacrament - Rev. Rachel Vione, Moderator

Offering
Was collected in support of the Sisters of St. Joseph Refugee Resettlement Program
The Sisters of St. Joseph have welcomed dozens of refugees, largely from Ukraine and Afghanistan, to live on their grounds as they transition to the United States. The families learn English, receive vocational training, find employment, and establish credit while the Sisters house them.

Prayer of Dedication Rev. Katie Mulligan

Greetings from the Synod of the Northeast
Rev. Dr. SanDawna Gaulman Ashley, Synod Leader for the Synod of the Northeast PC(U.S.A.)

The Presbytery took a 10-minute break.

Commission on Ministry Elder Richard Schneider

Elder Richard Schneider, Chair of Commission on Ministry (COM), presented the COM report, noting that the full report was included in the meeting packet. On behalf of the COM, he moved to approve the 2027 Compensation Program as recommended by the Commission on Ministry, including a 4% increase to the Presbytery minimum cash salary and a recommended 4% increase for existing calls.

MSP The presbytery approved the 2027 Compensation Program as recommended by the Commission on Ministry, including a 4% increase to the Presbytery minimum cash salary and a recommendation of a 4% increase for existing calls.

Executive Presbyter / Stated Clerk Rev. Kate Jones Calone
Rev. Kate Jones Calone presented her report, noting that the attached committee reports include action on the consent agenda or no actions.

Board of Trustees
Committee on Preparation for Ministry

Nominating Committee/Committee on Representation
Social Witness Committee
Valley Stream Administrative Commission
Central Presbyterian Church Administrative Commission

Kate highlighted from her report:
SAVE THE DATE! Presbytery Day: BUILT FOR MISSION is coming! Saturday, November 14th at the First Presbyterian Church of Smithtown, 175 E. Main Street, Smithtown, NY 11787, 9:30 AM-3:30 PM. We will begin the day with a short stated presbytery meeting and worship. The rest of the day will be shared learning and resourcing, focused on the following topics:
Built for Mission: Rethinking church buildings, real estate, and shared space
Built for Mission: Real stories from our congregations about discerning God's call
Built for Mission: One next step for your congregation

Important Board of Pensions Dates:
Employer Agreements for 2027 benefits are now available in Benefits Connect and must be completed between Sept. 4 - Oct. 2, 2026.

SAVE THE DATE: Info Session on Pastoral Compensation, Wednesday, September 30, 2026, 7 PM on Zoom

Treasurer Report: Charlaine Apsel
Charlaine Apsel, Presbytery Treasurer, presented the Treasurer's report and noted that the full report was included in the meeting packet. Charlaine spoke regarding the Per Capita figures, highlighting that the percentage of requested amounts received has improved in past years, with the goal of reaching at least 93% participation.

Shepherding Council Elder Ellen Gove
Elder Ellen Gove presented the Shepherding Council's report, noting that the full report was included in the meeting packet. Ellen invited Rev. Brad Morgan to share a few words from the Enduring Witness Team.

Enduring Witness Rev. Brad Morgan
Rev. Brad Morgan, a member of the Enduring Witness Team, shared exciting news about the impact of the Enduring Witness Grant so far in 2026. Thanks to these grants, our churches have been able to undertake vital projects that support outreach and bring the community together. They also helped keep our buildings functioning smoothly for worship, address deferred maintenance, and cover the legal fees for a new church. He then had three asks of the churches of the Presbytery: 1. To apply! 2. Apply before November 1, 2026! and 3. Ask for what you want! The deadline to submit an application for this year is November 1, 2026. Any applications received after November 1 will be held and considered for the 2027 grant cycle.

Associate Presbyter Search Committee Rev. Rachel Vione
Rev. Rachel Vione, co-chair of the Associate Presbyter Search Committee, shared an update on the search process. Over the past few months, the committee has continued to meet, review applications, and narrow down the pool of applicants. They hope to select a candidate before the end of the year.

Report from the 227th General Assembly Commissioners: Rev. Kate Jones Calone
Commissioner Rev. Dr. Karen Crawford, *Smithtown*
Commissioner Rev. Samuel Shin, *Great Neck*
Commissioner Elder Donald Adams, *Selden*
Commissioner Elder Natasha Jean-Louis, *Deer Park*

Our Commissioners reported a high-energy and deeply meaningful General Assembly experience in Milwaukee, marked by strong relationships, prayer, worship, and respectful dialogue. Delegates were particularly impressed by the emphasis on listening, inclusion, and ensuring every voice was heard.

Key updates from the Assembly include:

- Return to fully in-person assemblies.
- Next GA Location: Puerto Rico was overwhelmingly approved as the location for the next General Assembly.
- Mission Staffing and personnel concerns, resulting in actions for further review while affirming ongoing mission partnerships.
- The reinstatement of a denomination-wide immigration attorney position.

Kate announced that discussions will take place regarding the proposed changes to the Book of Order, which will be sent to presbyteries for a vote. Please look out for an upcoming Zoom discussion ahead of our November meeting.

Pray With Us
The group gathered in groups of 3-4, including people from different congregations, and spent about 20 minutes on the following conversation.

- ➢ First, have each person briefly share their name and congregation.
- ➢ Discussion: Our meeting today has highlighted different kinds of connections: for example, the connection of the Sisters of St. Joseph to the land and to their surrounding community; the connections of our presbytery's congregations to each other through the work of committees, regional gatherings, Enduring Witness, or other relationships; and the connections between our

presbytery, the Synod of the Northeast, and the General Assembly. Where do you find meaningful connection(s) in your ministry? What connections would you like to find/strengthen? What does being a "connectional church" look like to you?

- ➢ Close by praying together. (You might have one person who volunteers to pray for the group. You might decide to have each person share a brief prayer. You might make time for silent prayer, listening for God to speak. Your prayer together can be whatever you choose as a group!)

Adjournment, Closing Prayer & Benediction at 1:30 PM, Moderator Rev. Rachel Vione. Meeting attendees were invited and encouraged to gather for options to tour the ministries of the Sisters of St. Joseph, including the Garden Ministry.

The next Stated Meeting of the Presbytery will be held on Saturday, November 14, 2026, at the First Presbyterian Church of Smithtown

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Stated Clerk Rev. Kate Jones Calone

Shepherding Council

Presbytery of Long Island Stated Meeting November 14, 2026 - Smithtown

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Items for Action

Motion: to approve the 2027 budget for the Presbytery of Long Island as presented.

Shepherding Council Met for a Called Meeting on October 5, 2026 - Zoom Only

Call for the meeting: The purpose of this meeting is to hear a report from the Associate Presbyter Search Committee and review the terms of call for a candidate.

Present: Elder Ellen Gove, Rev. Rachel Vione, Commissioned Ruling Elder Magalene McClarrin, Rev. Steve Adkison, Elder Steve Bodden, Elder Glorya Johnson, Elder Marilyn Fox, Executive Presbyter Rev. Kate Jones Calone (Elder Rich Schneider joined the meeting late)

The meeting opened with prayer.

The Shepherding Council heard a report from the Associate Presbyter search committee, recommending the Rev. Shavon Starling-Louis for the position of Associate Presbyter for Congregational Vitality. Rev. Starling-Louis joined the Zoom for discussion with the Shepherding Council. Following her departure from the Zoom, the Shepherding Council then discussed her nomination and reviewed the proposed terms of call.

MSP: To accept the search committee's nomination of Rev. Shavon Starling-Louis as Associate Presbyter for Congregational Vitality and approve the proposed terms of call.

The meeting closed with prayer.

The Shepherding Council met on November 2, 2026 @ 12 PM In Person and on Zoom
Present in person: Elder Ellen Gove (Moderator of the Shepherding Council), Rev. Rachel Vione, Rev. Glorya Johnson, Elder Steve Bodden, Rev. Stephen Adkison, Charlaine Aspel *(Treasurer),* Kate Jones Calone *(Executive Presbyter/Stated Clerk).* **Present on Zoom:** Elder Barbara D'Andrea, Elder Magalene McClarrin, Elder Marilyn Fox, Rev. Jee Choi, Rev. Emily Fowler, Elder Richard Schneider, Rev. Shavon Starling-Louis

Moderator Ellen Gove opened the meeting with prayer and devotions. The Council read together the presbytery's mission statement:

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.

The Council welcomed new Associate Presbyter Shavon Starling-Louis, and introductions were made.

MSP: Approve minutes from 8.31.26 and 10.5.26 meetings.

Report from Moderator of Presbytery Rachel Vione: link to GA amendments

Report from the EP/Stated Clerk

a. Correspondence: thank you letters
b. Updating office phone system to the Zoom application

c. Unified Mission Giving breakdown, currently at 24% to PCUSA, 4% to Synod, 72% to Presbytery. **MSP:** Allocate 8% to Synod, 20% to PCUSA, and 72% to Presbytery to begin January 2027
d. Synod Per Capita: Synod of the Northeast voted to increase per capita by 1 dollar in 2027, and 50 cents each of the next two years. Presbytery of Long Island has already communicated the 2027 per capita amount, and thus the increase will be communicated to churches in 2028. Discussion followed. Presbytery of Long Island pays per capita upfront and gets a discount. It was decided to forgo the discount for 2027 to help the Synod.
e. Book of Order Amendments will be voted on at the November 2026 presbytery meeting unless any require significant discussion, in which case they will be on the docket for the February 2027 presbytery meeting
f. Presbytery Meeting/Presbytery Day: Smithtown on November 14th; abbreviated Presbytery meeting followed by Presbytery Day program on using property for mission
g. Offering for Presbytery Meeting: Kate will ask Rev. Karen Crawford to suggest a local recipient in Smithtown

Update to Shavon's Terms of Call 11.1.26 to 12.31.27: **MSP:** to approve revised Terms of Call for Shavon (with any future adjustments to maintain within the 158k budget for the position).

Report from the Treasurer of the Presbytery

a. Proposed budget: Presbytery of Long Island Budget 2027 Per Capita. **MSP**: Shepherding Council to recommend budget to Presbytery, who will vote on it as prepared and presented.
b. Review of asset allocation and overall presbytery resources. Discussion was held concerning the long-term financial health of our presbytery and what it would take to sustain its ongoing ministry over the next few years.

Report/Request for Action from Committees (only as needed):

a. COM: Richard Scheider reported.
b. Trustees: Rev. Adkison reported: Shinnecock Manse; Legal expenses for Southold cell tower exploration. Next meeting 11.4.26.
c. CPM: Glorya Johnson reported. Rev. Jim Crawford and Rev. Kerry Riddle to grade Fall Ordination Exams. Candidate Stephanie Castlen will be ordained on November 14 in Pittsburgh Presbytery. Rev. Kate shared that six people from our presbytery attended a Synod of the Northeast CRE retreat. Presbytery Preaching Class has ten Elders participating.
d. Nominating: Rev. Emily Fowler reported on the successful work of the Nominating Committee so far and the remaining positions to be filled: COM for two slots, RE or TE preferably from Nassau County for equity; Personnel RE or TE 2029; New Worshiping Communities Team slot RE or TE; one member for Holmes Camp Board RE or TE.
e. Personnel: The Personnel Committee is conducting staff reviews and updating the presbytery's personnel policy.
f. Social Witness: No one available was to attend the Council meeting; the Social Witness Committee to meet on November 18.

Reports/Request for Action from Teams/Task Forces:

a. New Worshipping Communities: team being formed
b. BREAD: no report
c. Enduring Witness Team: to meet on 11.6.26 to review policy and applications
d. Sexual Misconduct Response Team: no report
e. Immigration Task Force: continues to meet monthly

Reports from Administrative Commissions

a. Valley Stream: continued progress on incorporation
b. Yaphank: no report
c. Central Presbyterian: has engaged an appraiser to conduct an appraisal on the property

Items for the Stated meeting of the Presbytery on Saturday, November 14, at FPC Smithtown
a. Introducing Shavon (Associate Presbytery Search Committee) by Shepherding Council
b. Budget

Proposed Meeting Dates for 2027 (all Mondays from 12-2 PM): January 25, March 8, April 19, June 28, September 6, October 25.

Special thanks to Ellen Gove for her service as Moderator.

Closed meeting with Prayer by Magalene McClarrin

Faithfully submitted,
Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

Rev. Shavon Starling-Louis joins the Presbytery of Long Island as Associate Presbyter for Congregational Vitality.



A pastor, Christian educator, consultant, and church leader, Shavon brings a deep commitment to helping congregations discern who God is calling them to be, strengthen their leadership, and engage their communities with courage, creativity, and hope.

Her ministry experience includes congregational leadership, leadership development, theological education, and consulting with churches and ministry leaders navigating seasons of change, transition, and renewed vision. Across these settings, Shavon has developed a particular passion for accompanying congregations as they identify their gifts, attend to the communities around them, strengthen shared leadership, and take faithful next steps toward greater vitality.

Shavon previously served as Co-Moderator of the 225th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), where she helped lead the denomination through a season of significant change and discernment. Her ministry has been shaped by a commitment to justice, joy, collaboration, and the cultivation of communities in which people can grow, belong, and participate fully in the life of the Church.

In her new role, Shavon will work alongside congregations, pastors, and leaders across Long Island, supporting congregational vitality, adaptive leadership, connection, discernment, and the development of practices that help churches respond faithfully and creatively to their changing contexts.

Shavon and her husband, Kirk, are the parents of Sariah and Kam, and their family is beginning a new chapter of life and ministry on Long Island.

Presbytery Of Long Island Budget 2027 Per Capita

	2027 Budget	2026 Actual Oct 30	2026 Budget	2025 Actual Dec 31	2025 budget
Income					
4000 Per Capita and Presbytery Income					
4001 Per Capita	155,110.31	168,897.77	251,914.00	233,914.49	267,163.00
4002 Donations for Presbytery Expenses	250.00	283.99		1,150.00	
4003 Presbytery Misc. Income	1,000.00	952.60		1,144.55	
4004 Mortgage Interest	52,113.13	26,470.57		0.01	
4005 Reimbursements from Churches	1,200.00	11,500.00		2,005.64	
4006 Transfers from Investments Operating	443,728.88	174,467.23	437,955.00	118,352.81	
4006 Transfers from Investments Enduring Witness	79,046.00		78,500.00		
4009 East Moriches Rent to Sale	42,000.00	16,541.60	0.00	35,000.00	35,000.00
Total 4000 Per Capita and Presbytery Income	**774,448.32**	**399,113.76**	**768,369.00**	**391,567.50**	**302,163.00**
50000 Presbytery Expenses					
5001 Denominational Expenses					
5002 PC (USA) Per Capita	74,908.92	35,295.17	66,726.76	67,847.56	65,744.60
5003 Synod Per Capita	24,426.82	24,555.86	25,185.50	25,935.73	24,866.56
Total 5001 Denominational Expenses	**99,335.74**	**59,851.03**	**91,912.26**	**93,783.29**	**90,611.16**
5100 Personnel					
5200 EP Compensation					
5201 EP Cash Salary	73,220.16	54,362.21	70,404.00	61,333.21	66,709.00
5202 EP Housing	58,704.88	47,037.20	56,447.00	56,447.04	56,447.00
5203 SECA Reimbursement	10,092.16	8,086.60	9,704.00	9,421.44	9,421.43
5204 EP Pension	11,214.00	10,647.44	10,782.00	10,200.00	10,468.00
5205 EP Medical & FSA	40,950.00	46,172.36	40,700.00	45,046.80	40,641.00
5206 Other PB Expenses + Dental & Vision	3,411.00	3,297.80	3,836.44	3,709.80	3,759.00
5207 EP Professional Expenses	2,700.00	2,625.74	500.00	822.92	3,000.00
5208 EP Travel & Entertainment	5,000.00	4,322.94	6,000.00	6,140.03	3,500.00
Total 5200 EP Compensation	**205,292.20**	**176,552.29**	**198,373.44**	**193,121.24**	**193,945.43**
5300 Staff Compensation					
5301 Admin/Bookkeeper cash salary	64,621.38	48,530.00	62,136.00	56,699.89	60,326.16
5302 Admin/Bookkeeper Pension	5,492.82	4,380.16	5,196.56	5,027.88	5,128.00
5303 Admin/Bookkeeper Medical & FSA	44,590.77	43,325.20	51,944.00	53,427.52	58,940.00
5304 Other PB Expenses + Dental & Vision & 403B	3,047.72	5,328.63	1,117.04	6,162.24	3,410.00
5305 Treasurer Compensation	62,389.69	49,989.20	59,987.00	50,290.82	36,504.00
5306 Staff Travel	500.00	514.22	500.00	740.76	0.00
5307 Associate Presbyter Cash Salary	102,000.00		151,000.00		
5308 Associate Presbyter SECA	7,803.00				
5309 Associate Presbyter Pension	8,755.00				
5310 Associate Presbyter BOP - Other & 403 B	2,545.00				
5311 Associate Presbyter Reimburse Bridgehampton	25,989.00				
5312 Associate Presbyter Travel & Entertainment	6,000.00	1,192.86	6,000.00		
5313 Mileage	5,000.00				
Total 5300 Staff Compensation	**333,734.38**	**153,260.27**	**337,880.60**	**172,349.11**	**164,308.16**
5400 Personnel Expenses					
5401 Employer Payroll taxes & Fee	14,000.00	9,506.00	16,000.00	9,320.39	7,584.00
5402 Worker's Comp, NYS Disability & PFL	2,200.00	1,950.91	3,500.00	3,185.37	5,000.00
Total 5400 Personnel Expenses	**16,200.00**	**11,456.91**	**19,500.00**	**12,505.76**	**12,584.00**
5500 Administration & Facilities					
5501 Office Supplies	2,700.00	2,560.10	2,000.00	794.57	1,000.00
5502 Cleaning	1,760.00	1,235.00	1,560.00	1,755.00	3,380.00
5503 Office Equipment & Service	5,632.00	8,698.81	8,160.00	9,953.91	8,700.00
5505 West Islip rent & Utilities	36,000.00	31,000.00	36,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00
5506 Financial Review	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
5507 Computers & Software	10,112.00	4,909.90	6,500.00	5,272.18	5,000.00
5508 Miscellaneous Bank & PayPal fees	150.00	80.03	150.00	150.00	250.00
5509 Lawyer fees	500.00		500.00	4,780.00	
5510 Insurance	2,000.00	2,358.00	1,000.00	1,275.59	1,000.00
Total 5600 Administration	**68,854.00**	**60,841.84**	**65,870.00**	**68,981.25**	**64,330.00**

5700 Presbytery Comm & Program Expense					
5701 Committee Expenses	3,700.00	3,166.62	3,250.00	3,304.63	2,500.00
5702 Leadership Training	7,500.00	6,935.68	7,500.00	2,277.25	4,000.00
5703 Resource Center	36,432.00	30,360.00	36,432.00	36,502.00	36,432.00
5704 Presbytery Meeting Expenses	3,000.00	2,348.60	7,550.00	7,931.35	9,250.00
5705 Background checks for Churches	400.00	311.04	100.00	137.00	250.00
Total 5700 Presbytery Comm & Program Expense	**51,032.00**	**43,121.94**	**54,832.00**	**50,152.23**	**52,432.00**
Total 50000 Presbytery Expenses	**774,448.32**	**505,084.28**	**768,368.30**	**590,892.88**	**578,210.75**
Net Income	**0.00**	**(105,970.52)**	**0.70**	**(199,325.38)**	**(276,047.75)**

Presbytery Of Long Island
2026 Balance Sheet

Bank Accounts	January	March	June	September	October
1000 NEW Capital One 68872					
1000 Presbytery Operating	84,904.99	107,477.98	70,038.66	48,630.33	19,622.65
1001 Shepherding	2,446.84	52,044.00	950.56	13,789.61	21,581.71
1002 Salary Supplement - Presbytery Designated	0.00	638.53	(883.87)	541.84	1,266.84
1003 Ga UMS, Special Offering, Extra	4,338.48	1,181.20	9,057.07	659.60	3,263.63
1004 NCD - Restricted	65,659.52	24,111.87	35,872.31	25,748.73	17,842.35
1005 Pass Through - Designated	1,250.00	(505.19)	11.00	1,571.51	0.00
1006 Presbyterian Youth Triennium	2,203.19	2,203.19	2,203.19	2,203.19	2,203.19
1007 Dissolution & Short term Loan repayment	280,035.95	56,424.50	51,959.97	56,184.97	55,550.50
1108 Leadership Training from Susan Sommerville	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,483.20	7,774.38
1109 Chase Canidate Grant					(333.00)
1110 Immigration Emergency		2,175.00	2,625.00	4,375.00	5,220.00
111 Cuba - Restricted	0.00	2,403.30	3,518.30	4,018.30	4,018.30
1112 Dekan Buckley Memorial - Senior Ministry	0.00	6,105.74	6,590.12	7,074.39	7,558.70
1113 Enduring Witness			405.00	(60,370.00)	(38,892.00)
1114 Glen Cove Interest (Operating)			8,848.06	0.00	0.00
Total 1000 NEW Capital One 68872	**440,838.97**	**254,260.12**	**191,195.37**	**112,910.67**	**106,677.25**
1200 Merrill Lynch Checking account					
1205 Shinnecock	0.00	115,821.93	115,821.93	115,821.93	115,821.93
1209 Salary Supplement	50,843.84	49,682.12	100,783.57	94,641.07	91,339.54
1206 ML El Salvador	2,950.67	2,950.67	2,950.67	3,450.67	3,450.67
1207 Interest			1,045.50	2,038.06	2,575.60
Total 1100 Merrill Lynch Checking account	**149,950.66**	**171,091.84**	**220,601.67**	**215,951.73**	**213,187.74**
1202 Mission Emmanuel Chase 0653	8,110.54	8,110.54	8,110.54	7,920.54	
1270 Certificate of Deposit Revolving Loan Fund	**47,566.20**	**48,176.26**	**48,491.98**	**48,491.98**	**48,806.11**
1300 Merrill Lynch Investments					
1301 Shepherding	376,276.94	372,001.14	379,215.77	377,818.06	384,602.52
1302 Outreach	544,938.46	714,294.77	895,609.53	814,904.00	842,058.90
1303 Social & Reparative Justice	162,760.07	329,916.41	504,255.71	499,247.18	509,732.88
1304 Enduring Witness Fund	2,061,419.62	2,599,138.95	3,189,019.65	3,118,852.93	3,088,788.67
1306 Grace PC Fund - Restricted	829,512.52	834,848.26	891,798.52	863,322.45	892,677.94
1307 Revolving Loan Fund - Restricted	147,784.22	146,421.23	164,870.46	161,448.21	166,606.27
1308 Operating	586,670.47	643,475.92	824,584.78	771,168.37	797,022.54
1309 Church Closures	722,545.20	204,086.92	752,355.69	750,955.46	749,920.05
1310 Susan Sommerville FU Restricted	39,784.06	39,006.09	40,207.45	31,309.64	32,206.56
1311 NCD Fund	621,376.11	598,297.82	571,516.20	529,555.21	552,641.45
1312 PIPH Manse Sale	0.00	273,419.93	235,343.94	235,717.06	234,982.91
1313 Candidate & Pastor Care Fund		57,246.77	57,686.03	58,204.03	58,377.81
Total 1300 Merrill Lynch Investments	**6,093,067.67**	**6,812,154.21**	**8,506,463.73**	**8,212,502.60**	**8,309,618.50**

Treasurer Report Results as of October 31 2026

Final as of January 5

2026 Per Capita	# of Churches	Ask $246,047.88
0% Per Capita	20	0.00
Under 50 %	3	9,650.00
Over 50%	19	78,413.69
100%	7	36,396.89
		124,460.58
2025 PC received in 2026		**34,024.04**
	Total	**158,484.62**

10/31/2026	**51%** of the Total Per Capita billed
2025	**90%** of the Total Per Capita billed
2024	**88%** of the Total Per Capita billed
2023	**85%** of the Total Per Capita billed
2022	**80%** of the Total Per Capita billed
2021	**87%** of the Total Per Capita billed

PER CAPITA

Income	
Per Capita	169,827.86
Donations & Misc.	1,236.59
Reimbursements from Church	11,600.00
Mortgage Interest	26,470.57
Transfers from Investments	174,467.23
East Moriches rent	16,541.60
	400,143.85



Expense	**2026**
Denominational Expense	59,851.03
Presbytery Personnel	336,985.35
Facilities & Admin	60,841.84
Committees & Programs	43,121.94
	500,800.16

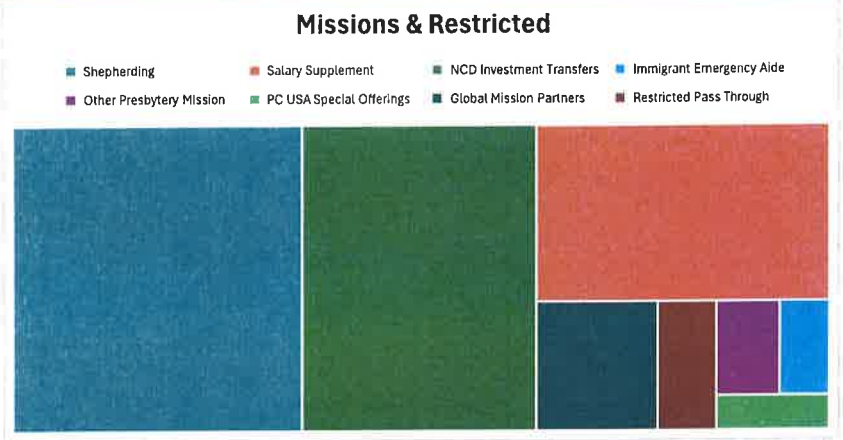
Profit and Loss	(100,656.31)



RESTRICED AND DESIGNATED

Missions & Restricted	**2026**
Income	
Shepherding	99,282.00
Salary Supplement	58,805.94
NCD Investment Transfers	81,316.52
Immigrant Emergency Aide	5,420.00
Other Presbytery Mission	6,816.62
PC USA Special Offerings	4,527.47
Global Mission Partners	17,718.30
Restricted Pass Through	8,486.78
	282,373.63

Property Sales **4,035,238.25**



Expenses	**2026**
Committees Paid w Restricted	117,327.46
NCD	170,918.33
Loan & Grants to Congregatio	227,539.05
Enduring Witness Grants	495,617.00
Global Partners	26,003.30
Restricted Pass Through	93,400.33
PC USA Special Giving	3,413.50
	1,134,218.97



THE PRESBYTERY OF LONG ISLAND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended December 31, 2025 AND 2024

THE PRESBYTERY OF LONG ISLAND

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REVIEW REPORT

To the Board of Trustees of
The Presbytery of Long Island
109 Udall Road
West Islip, NY 11795

Report on Financial Statements

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of the Presbytery of Long Island (a non-profit organization), which is comprised of statement of assets, liabilities and net assets as of December 31, 2025 and 2024, and the related statements of support received, expenses paid and changes in net assets and, cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of organization management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair representation of financial statements that are free from misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

Accountants' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to conduct the review engagements in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance as a basis for reporting whether we are aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion.

Accountants' Conclusion

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis of Accounting

We draw your attention to Note 2 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Supplementary Information

The supplementary information included on page 12 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The information is the representation of management. We have reviewed the information and, based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the information in order for it to be in accordance with the accrual basis of accounting. We have not audited the information and, accordingly, do not express an opinion on such information.

EBS & Associates

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Certified Public Accountants

June 22, 2026

Lynbrook, NY

THE PRESBYTERY OF LONG ISLAND
STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILTIES AND NET ASSETS
AS OF DECEMBER 31,

	2025	2024
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 413,847	$ 478,036
Investments - at cost	6,152,349	4,470,767
Certificate of Deposit	47,566	46,657
Accounts receivable	34,029	38,214
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 6,647,791	$ 5,033,674
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	$ 38,719	$ 31,294
Payroll liabilities	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	38,719	31,294
Net assets without donor restrictions	6,609,072	5,002,380
TOTAL NET ASSETS	6,609,072	5,002,380
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	$ 6,647,791	$ 5,033,674

See Independent Accountants' Review Report
and Notes to Financial Statements

THE PRESBYTERY OF LONG ISLAND
STATEMENT OF SUPPORT RECEIVED, EXPENSES PAID AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,

	2025	2024
SUPPORT RECEIVED		
Church support	$ 2,455,482	$ 802,366
Investment income - net	346,030	490,771
TOTAL SUPPORT RECEIVED	2,801,512	1,293,137
EXPENSES PAID		
Personnel	377,976	335,701
Church Support	285,990	137,182
Office	25,831	20,388
Repairs and maintenance	43,550	45,291
Mission partnership	290,630	359,126
Special offerings	26,907	41,152
Bad Debt Expense	-	110,715
Per capita	93,783	94,030
Councils and committees	50,152	52,638
TOTAL EXPENSES PAID	1,194,820	1,196,221
SUPPORT RECEIVED LESS EXPENSES PAID	1,606,692	96,915
CHANGE IN OPENING EQUITY	-	-
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	1,606,692	96,915
Net Assets - January 1	5,002,380	4,905,465
New Assets - December 31	$ 6,609,072	$ 5,002,380

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and Notes to Financial Statements

THE PRESBYTERY OF LONG ISLAND
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,

	2025	2024
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Change in net assets	$ 1,606,692	$ 96,915
Adjustments to reconcile changes in net assets to net cash (used in) provided by operating activities:	4,185	16,526
Realized (gain) on sale of investments	(1,681,582)	(143,304)
Change in assets and liabilities		
Accounts Payable	7,425	(5,456)
Payroll liabilities	-	-
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities:	(63,280)	(35,318)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(909)	(1,184)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Net change in cash	(64,189)	(36,502)
Cash and cash equivalents - Beginning of year	478,036	514,538
Cash and cash equivalents - End of year	$ 413,847	$ 478,036

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THE PRESBYTERY OF LONG ISLAND

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

NOTE 1: NATURE OF ACTIVITIES

The Presbytery of Long Island, located in West Islip, New York, is the regional governing body of the Presbyterian Church affiliated congregation in Nassau and Suffolk Counties of Long Island. It consists of all the minister members of the Presbytery, and elected commissioners from each of the member churches. The Presbytery of Long Island serves as the administrative offices for all Presbyterian churches in Nassau and Suffolk Counties of Long Island, New York.

Program Fund

The Program Fund is the general fund utilized for the operations of the Presbytery of Long Island. Additionally, the Program Fund is utilized to pay Per Capita to sponsoring Presbyteries of Long Island, as well as offerings and donations to other churches.

Special Funds

The Special Funds is a group of funds that have been specifically designated for various purposes to support the objectives of the Presbytery of Long Island. Special funds are used to designate money for support of other churches, special missions, work groups, building maintenance, reconstruction, and other church partnerships. Special Funds are set aside at the discretion of the Board of Trustees and the funds are invested in short-term investments or money market accounts.

NOTE 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

In August 2016, The Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ASU No. 2016-14, Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Presentation of Financial Statements for Not-for-Profit Entities. The objective of the new guidance is to improve the current net asset classification requirements, and the information presented in financial statements and notes about a not-for-profit entity's liquidity, financial performance, and cash flows. The main provisions of this update will require a not-for-profit to present on the face of the financial statements for two classes of net assets, rather than for the currently required three classes. The Organization has implemented the new guidance for the years ended December 31, 2025 and 2024 to reflect net assets without donor restrictions and net assets with donor restrictions. There were no net assets with donor restrictions for the years ended December 31, 2025 and 2024.

THE PRESBYTERY OF LONG ISLAND

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

NOTE 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Estimates

Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenues and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Presbytery of Long Island considers all highly liquid financial instruments with an original maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

Liquidity of Financial Assets

The Presbytery of Long Island's financial assets consisted of cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments. There are no donor-restricted net assets. The Presbytery of Long Island is substantially supported by investment income from its short-term investments. Financial assets are generally available for general and administrative expenses within one year. As part of the Presbytery of Long Island's liquidity management, it has a policy to structure its financial assets to be available as its general expenditures and other obligations come due. In addition, the Presbytery of Long Island invests cash in excess of requirements in investments.

THE PRESBYTERY OF LONG ISLAND

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

NOTE 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Investments

The Presbytery of Long Island's investments in marketable securities are carried at fair value. Accordingly, unrealized gains and losses on investments held at the end of the reporting period are reflected in the Presbytery of Long Island's changes in net assets. Dividends and interest are recorded when earned as required under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Loans Receivable

Loans receivable is stated at net realizable value. Interest on loans receivable is recorded when earned. Loans receivable is written down to net realizable value when management believes it is more likely than not that such loans will not be collected (allowance method).

Property and Equipment

Property, furniture and equipment are carried at the cost initially spent to acquire the assets. They are depreciated over their estimated useful life. Land is carried at cost and is not depreciated. Repairs and maintenance is expensed as incurred.

Tax Status

The Presbytery of Long Island qualifies as a tax-exempt not-for-profit organization under a group of exemption held by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Accordingly, no provision for federal or state income taxes is required. Additionally, the Presbytery of Long Island does not have any separate annual reporting requirements to the IRS.

Subsequent Events

The Presbytery of Long Island has evaluated subsequent events through June 22, 2026, the date on which the financial statements were available to be issued, for possible recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

THE PRESBYTERY OF LONG ISLAND
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

NOTE 3: INVESTMENTS

The fair value of the Presbytery of Long Island's investments as of December 31, 2025 and 2024 was $6,152,349 and $4,470,767 respectively.

Investment gain as of December 31, 2025 and 2024 were $346,030 and $490,771 respectively and was comprised of interest, dividends and realized losses.

THE PRESBYTERY OF LONG ISLAND
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

NOTE 4: GUARANTEES

The Presbytery of Long Island is a guarantor on a series of loans held by various member churches. The guarantees could require the Presbytery of Long Island to fund debt service on these loans in the event that the church cannot meet its obligations.

	Balance Outstanding as of December 31, 2025	Remaining Term
Mortgages		
Shelter Island Presbyterian Church Shelter Island, NY	$32,188	8 years
Bellmore Presbyterian Church Bellmore, NY	-	
First Presbyterian Church Amagansett, NY	4,224	1 year
Valley Stream Presbyterian Church Valley Stream, NY	48,581	7 years
Valley Stream Presbyterian Church Valley Stream, NY	56,702	8 years
First Presbyterian Church Freeport, NY	12,932	2 years

	Balance Outstanding as of December 31, 2024	Remaining Term
Mortgages		
Shelter Island Presbyterian Church Shelter Island, NY	$35,623	9 years
Bellmore Presbyterian Church Bellmore, NY	3,598	4 years
First Presbyterian Church Amagansett, NY	8,655	2 years
Valley Stream Presbyterian Church Valley Stream, NY	54,717	8 years
Valley Stream Presbyterian Church Valley Stream, NY	62,630	9 years
First Presbyterian Church Freeport, NY	19,838	3 years

THE PRESBYTERY OF LONG ISLAND
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

NOTE 5: RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

Cash and cash equivalents are maintained at financial institutions and, at times, balances may exceed federally insured limits. The Presbytery of Long Island has not experienced any losses related to these balances. As of December 31, 2024, there was no cash in excess of insured limits.

The Presbytery of Long Island's investments are held primarily in brokerage accounts, which are insured by the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) up to $500,000 per customer, including a maximum of $250,000 for cash accounts, in the event of the broker's insolvency. The total amount of cash and securities in excess of SIPC limits was $5,652,349 as of December 31, 2025 and $3,970,767 as of December 31, 2024.

The Presbytery invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investments, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investments will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially impact the Presbytery's financial position.

THE PRESBYTERY OF LONG ISLAND

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF SUPPORT RECEIVED AND EXPENSES PAID BY FUND

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

	Net Assets - Designated for:		
	2025		
	Total	Program Fund	Special Funds
SUPPORT RECEIVED			
Per capita	2,402,671	$ 2,402,671	
Special offerings	52,811		52,811
Investment income - net	346,030		346,030
TOTAL SUPPORT RECEIVED	2,801,512	2,402,671	398,841
EXPENSES PAID			
Personnel	377,976	377,976	
Church Support	285,990	285,990	
Office	25,831	25,831	
Repairs and maintenance	43,550	43,550	
Mission partnership	290,630	290,630	
Special offerings	26,907	-	26,907
Bad Debt Expense	-	-	
Per capita	93,783	93,783	
Councils and committees	50,152	50,152	-
TOTAL EXPENSED PAID	1,194,820	1,167,912	26,907
SUPPORT RECEIVED LESS EXPENSES PAID	$ 1,606,692	$ 1,234,759	$ 371,934

THE PRESBYTERY OF LONG ISLAND

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF SUPPORT RECEIVED AND EXPENSES PAID BY FUND

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Net Assets - Designated for:		
	2024		
	Total	Program Fund	Special Funds
SUPPORT RECEIVED			
Per capita	746,886	746,886	
Special offerings	55,479		55,479
Investment income - net	490,771		490,771
TOTAL SUPPORT RECEIVED	1,293,137	746,886	546,251
EXPENSES PAID			
Personnel	335,701	335,701	
Church Support	137,182	137,182	
Office	20,388	20,388	
Repairs and maintenance	45,291	45,291	
Mission partnership	359,126	359,126	
Special offerings	41,152		41,152
Bad Debt Expense	110,715	110,715	
Per capita	94,030	94,030	
Councils and committees	52,638	52,638	
TOTAL EXPENSED PAID	1,196,221	1,155,070	41,152
SUPPORT RECEIVED LESS EXPENSES PAID	$ 96,915	$ (408,183)	$ 505,099

Board of Trustees Report
Presbytery of Long Island Stated Meeting November 2026 - Smithtown

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Items for Action

Motion: to approve the sale of Vacant Land Parcel Section 27, Block 33, Lot 130 in Oyster Bay, NY, by the First Presbyterian Church of Oyster Bay for $225,000, should the way be clear after all applicable municipal approvals.

Motion: to approve the attached resolutions for the sale of the property of the former E. Moriches congregation.

The Trustees met on November 4, 2026, via Zoom.

Present: Rev. Stephen Adkison (Moderator), Rev. Ida Rosario, Elder Natasha Jean-Louis, Elder Bill Phillips, Rev. Paul Lent, Elder Candace Breen, Rev. Kate Jones Calone (EP/Stated Clerk), Charlaine Apsel (Treasurer)

The meeting opened with prayer.

MSP: to approve the minutes from September 2, 2026.

The Trustees discussed a proposed lease of worship space by the Valley Stream South Asian Fellowship (soon to be Valley Stream Community Presbyterian Church).

MSP: to approve the use of the worship space, asking the Valley Stream Administrative Commission authority to finalize the details of the agreement

The Trustees held a consultation with Elder Richard Kveton, President of the Trustees of First Presbyterian Church of Oyster Bay, regarding the congregation's request to sell a parcel of land that was donated to the congregation but that the church has not used. The church has received an offer of $225,000 from a buyer who is interested in using the property to build a structure in keeping with the character of Oyster Bay. The sale is contingent upon all applicable municipal approvals and variances.

MSP: to approve, and recommend that the presbytery approve, the sale of Vacant Land Parcel Section 27, Block 33, Lot 130 in Oyster Bay, NY, by the First Presbyterian Church of Oyster Bay for $225,000, should the way be clear after all applicable municipal approvals.

The Trustees discussed a proposed lease of worship space by the Presbyterian Church of Garden City.

MSP: to approve the use of the worship space, contingent upon approval of a final agreement by the session, in consultation with Kate.

The Trustees received information regarding legal expenses related to the review of a proposed cell tower broker agreement for FPC Southold and the repayment of a loan and back per capita by the Sweet Hollow Presbyterian Church.

The Trustees agreed to hold a joint meeting with the Enduring Witness Team in early 2027, date TBD.

The Trustees discussed Steeplecom and agreed to share them as a resource to churches that inquire about cell towers but not enter into an agreement with them. Bill P. will talk with Steve Bodden to get more information.

The Trustees received a completed appraisal of the E. Moriches property and discussed the need to revise the contract and court petition for the sale of the E. Moriches property (approved by the presbytery on January 30, 2024).

MSP: to approve the attached resolutions regarding the sale of the E. Moriches property.

Reports were provided from the Shinnecock manse project, the Valley Stream Administrative Commission, the Central Huntington Administrative Commission, Collaboration for Christ, and the Enduring Witness Team. Moderator Steve Adkison shared that he will be attending the Mid Council Financial Conference in Minneapolis November 18-20.

The meeting closed with prayer.

THE PRESBYTERY OF LONG ISLAND OF
THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

CERTIFICATE OF STATED CLERK

I, _____, am the Stated Clerk of The Presbytery of Long Island of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, also known as The Presbytery of Long Island of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) (the "Presbytery") and have reviewed the relevant minutes and records of meetings of the members of the Presbytery.

I hereby certify that the attached resolutions entitled "*Conveyance of Real Property of Extinct First Presbyterian Church of East Moriches*" are a true, correct and complete copy of the resolutions duly adopted by the members of the Presbytery at a duly called meeting held on November 14, 2026.

Further, I certify that: (i) a quorum was present and acting throughout, (ii) the resolutions were adopted by the affirmative vote of a majority of the members present, (iii) the resolutions have not been modified, amended or rescinded, and (iv) the resolutions remain in full force and effect as of the date of this certificate.

The undersigned further certifies the details of the vote as follows:

Total Number of Members: _____
Number of Members Attending Meeting: _____
Number of Votes in Favor of the Resolutions: _____
Number of Votes Against the Resolutions: _____
Number of Members Abstaining from the Vote: _____

Date of this certification: _____

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Name:
Title: Stated Clerk, Board of Trustees

THE PRESBYTERY OF LONG ISLAND OF
THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

RESOLUTIONS BY THE MEMBERS

CONVEYANCE OF REAL PROPERTY OF
EXTINCT FIRT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EAST MORICHES

WHEREAS, on or about December 15, 2015, The Presbytery of Long Island of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America (the "Presbytery"), at its Stated Meeting, appointed an administrative commission for the closing of *First Presbyterian Church of East Moriches* ("East Moriches") and to work with the remaining members to celebrate its ministry and close out the ministry, including transferring remaining members and considering the future use of its real property; and it is further

WHEREAS, on or about May 22, 2016, East Moriches held a closing service; and it is further

WHEREAS, on June 14, 2016, the Presbytery, at its Stated Meeting, formally recognized that all members of East Moriches had dispersed and found new congregations in which to join, and as such, in accordance with section G-4.0205 of the Book of Order, Part II of the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) (the "Book of Order"), East Moriches had become an extinct congregation and all its property, including certain real property located in the Town of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk and known as the street address: 389 Montauk Highway, East Moriches, New York 11940 (also known as Section 832, Block 1, Lots 3 and 4 on the Suffolk County Tax Maps) (the "Property"), was deemed to be held in the Presbytery; and it is further

WHEREAS, since May 2016, the Presbytery has managed and operated the Property, and expending resources to maintain and protect the Property; and it is further

WHEREAS, on or about October 26, 2019, the board of trustees of the Presbytery (the "Board of Trustees"), deemed East Moriches extinct, as of May 22, 2016, the date of the closing service, by reason of the dispersal of its members, the abandonment of its work, and other similar causes, and formally declared dissolved; and it is further

WHEREAS, on or about May 2021, the Board of Trustees and the Presbytery approved entering into a lease agreement with a Christian church, Iglesia Evangelical Jehova Shalom, a New York religious corporation ("Iglesia Church"). Between May 2021 and November 2026, Iglesia Church has expended significant funds to perform extensive renovations to the Property, and has made several offers to purchase the Property; and it is further

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees following discernment and deliberation, has

determined that the Presbytery should explore selling the Property to Iglesia Church because (i) the Property is not needed to conduct or fulfill the Presbytery's purpose and (ii) the cost and expense of maintaining and protecting the Property, and in furtherance thereof, ordered and obtained an appraisal of the Property (the "Appraisal") that concluded the "as is" value of the Property, as of August 20, 2026, to be Nine Hundred Fifty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars ($950,000.00) (the "Appraised Value"); and it is further

WHEREAS, the Iglesia Church desires to purchase the Property, and the Presbytery desires to sell the Property to Iglesia Church, at a purchase price of Two Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars ($200,000.00) (the "Purchase Price"); and it is further

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees and the Presbytery understands and acknowledges that the Purchase Price is below the Appraised Value but the Board of Trustees and the Presbytery desires to sell the Property to Iglesia Church because: (i.) the Property will continue to be used as a religious facility within the community, as opposed to selling to a developer, and (ii.) Iglesia Church has expended significant funds to perform extensive renovations to the Property over the last 6 years; and it is further

WHEREAS, the Presbytery accepted Iglesia Church's offer and delivered a purchase and sale agreement (the "Agreement") to Purchaser for the sale of the Property for the Purchase Price, deliverable in cash at closing; and it is further

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees having reviewed the consideration and terms of the transaction set forth by the Purchaser, and other information (including, but not limited to the condition of the Property, the Presbytery's need for the Property, that Iglesia Church is another religious corporation, the significant funds to perform extensive renovations to the Property made by Iglesia Church, the Appraisal, and the financial burden of maintaining and protecting the Property), determined that: (i) the terms (including the Purchase Price) and conditions of the contemplated transaction offered by the Purchaser are fair and reasonable and (ii) the purpose of the Presbytery and the interest of its members will be promoted by a sale and conveyance of the Property because (a) the conveyance will eliminate a financial burden for the Presbytery to insure and maintain the Property and (b) the net consideration, when received, will provide funds to enable the Presbytery to conduct and further its religious activities and corporate purposes and assist other existing congregations within the Presbytery, in accordance with the Book of Order; and it is further

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the foregoing, the Board of Trustees has recommended that the members of the Presbytery adopt resolutions to: (i) accept,

approve, and authorize the sale and conveyance of the Property to the Purchaser for no less than the Purchase Price and such other commercially reasonable terms and conditions, as determined by the Board of Trustee with the advice of legal counsel; and (ii) accept, approve, and authorize the Agreement, as prepared and negotiated by the Presbytery's legal counsel for the sale of the Property to Purchaser.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is:

RESOLVED, that the recommendations of the Board of Trustees related to the conveyance of the Property to the Purchaser is accepted, and that the consideration and terms offered by Purchaser are fair and reasonable and that the purpose of the Presbytery and the interest of its members will be promoted by said transfer; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Agreement, as prepared and negotiated by the Presbytery's legal counsel for the sale of the Property to Iglesia Church, in "as is" condition, for the Purchase Price, in cash at closing, is hereby accepted, approved, and authorized; and it is further

RESOLVED, that, considering the items set forth above, the consideration and terms offered by Iglesia Church are fair and reasonable to the Presbytery, and although the Purchase Price is less than the Appraised Value, the Presbytery desires to sell the Property to another religious corporation in order for the Property to continue being used as a religious facility within the community, and that the purpose of the Presbytery and the interest of its members will be promoted by the contemplated sale and conveyance of the Property; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the net proceeds of said transfer be applied to the payment or satisfaction of general expenses or obligations of the Presbytery, and to the conduct and further its religious activities and corporate purposes in accordance with the Book of Order; and it is further

RESOLVED, that any officer of the Presbytery (including but not limited to its Executive Presbyter) be, and each hereby is, authorized, empowered and directed to act on behalf of the Presbytery, to make, execute, and deliver all written instruments and documents necessary to cause the sale and conveyance of the Property, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Religious Corporations Law and the Book of Order (including but not limited to a purchase and sale agreement for the conveyance of the Property, a petition to the New York State Supreme Court for approval of the sale and conveyance of the Property and a good and sufficient deed to convey title to the Property); and take such other and further action necessary, upon

advice of legal counsel, to carry into effect such resolutions and effectuate the transactions contemplated herein (including but not limited to the payment of all such customary or required closing costs); and it is further

RESOLVED, that any actions taken by any trustee or officer of the Presbytery, or their designees, prior to the date of these resolutions adopted by the Presbytery are within the authority conferred thereby are hereby ratified, confirmed, and approved as the acts and deeds of the Presbytery.

Date of the meeting of the Members of the Presbytery: November 14, 2026

Action Item on Consent Agenda

Motion: That the Presbytery approve the minutes of the Stated Meeting on September 15, 2026 (minutes included in the packet; attachments and reports available on the PLI website)

Motion: To approve the following Amendments to the Constitution passed by the 227th General Assembly (2026) *[Stated Clerk Report pp.44-46]. The Full packet of amendments can be found at this link: ttps://pcusa.org/resource/proposed-amendments-constitution and was sent to all commissioners prior to the meeting.*

26-A — F-1.0305 26-B – G-2.010210 26-C — G-2.0104c 26-D — G-2.06 26-E — G-2.0601 26-F — G-2.0603 26-G — G-2.0603	26-H — 2.0606 26-I — G-2.06 26-J — G-2.0606 26-K — G-2.0607 26-L — G-2.0607 26-M — G-2.07 26-N — G-2.1002	26-O — G-2.1002 26-P — G-2.1002 26-Q — G-2.1002 26-R — G-2.1101 26-S — G-2.1103 26-T — G-3.0106 26-U — G-3.0106	26-V — G-3.0206 26-W — G-3.0301 26-X — G-3.0301 26-Y — G-3.0306 26-A — F-1.0305

Motions on the Consent Agenda

Any motions pulled from the consent agenda will be presented during the Stated Clerk's report.

Information

The presbytery's 2025 records and minutes were reviewed by the Synod of the Northeast and received without exceptions.

Necrology 2025 (attached)

Reports from the following Committees and Administrative Commissions:

Moderator Team
The Moderators met on Monday, November 2, to discuss their work together on behalf of the presbytery.

Immigration Task Force
The Immigration Task Force continues to meet monthly on a Monday evening via Zoom to discuss ways for the presbytery to live into its commitment to our immigrant neighbors. On Sunday, December 6th, at 6 PM, those who participated in the trip to the U.S.-Mexico border this past spring will offer an opportunity for sharing and discussion.

Central Administrative Commission
The Central Administrative Commission has been meeting with elders from Central and has arranged for an appraisal of the property.

Social Witness Committee
The Social Witness Committee will next meet on Wednesday, November 18, at 4:30 PM.

Nominations - attached
Enduring Witness Report - attached
Committee on Preparation for Ministry - attached
Committee on Ministry - attached

Personnel Committee Report
Yaphank Administrative Commission - No Report
Valley Stream Administrative Commission - No Report

Classes for Ruling Elders on Preaching and Presiding at the Table
Nine elders from our presbytery recently completed the Zoom classes for the third round of our "Preaching God's Word in the World" course for ruling elders, offered in partnership with the presbyteries in New Jersey. The elders will preach their sermons in person at Westminster United Presbyterian Church on two weekdays in December. We are very excited and grateful for the elders who have been learning together through this class, and we look forward to them sharing their gifts with our presbytery!

PC(USA) Office of Innovation Property Cohort
A five-person team from our presbytery (Elder Janice Kincaid, Elder Mary Jane Dessables, Elder Natasha Jean-Louis, Rev. Paul Lent, and EP/Stated Clerk Kate Jones Calone) continues to participate in this property cohort, designed to help presbyteries resource congregations in using their properties for mission and ministry.

Trainings for Pastoral Leaders
A mandatory boundaries and child, youth, and vulnerable adults protection training was held on Tuesday, September 22, 2026, at Setauket Presbyterian Church, facilitated by Leaderwise and EP/Stated Clerk Kate Jones Calone.

Training requirements
As a reminder, all active minister members of the Presbytery, CREs, inquirers/candidates, and those on the pulpit supply list have annual training requirements. The following people (listed by last name) have training to complete or report before the end of 2026. If you are unsure about what training you are missing, please contact the Presbytery office for details: laurie@presbyteryofli.org.
As of November 1, 2026
Ministers: Adkison, Ahearne, Austin-Barrow, Bae, Barnum, Cary, Choi, Clemons-Jones, Crawford J, Cubie, DaCosta, Fowler, Jong, Kane, Kelly, Lent, Moore, Pond, Prey, Riddle, Shin, Van Cleef, Vione
CRE: Brackett, Fernandez, Hanley
Pulpit Supply: Morgan Eason

Necrology 2025

Remembering and giving thanks to God for the lives and service of the Elders who died in 2025

Church	Name of Elder	Ordination Date	Date of Death
Amagansett	Josephine Crasky		04/11/2025
Bellmore	Robert Cheeseman	01/05/2003	09/04/2025
Brentwood	Evelyn Hoey	02/04/1973	12/20/2025
Bridgehampton	Evelyn "Cissy" Ritz	01/08/1989	04/10/2025
Brookhaven	Nancy Best		05/23/2025
Brookhaven	Irene Stahman		10/14/2025
Brookhaven	Catherine Kellogg	1970	11/13/ 2025
Deer Park	James F. Ammon	02/7/1982	12/18/2025
Deer Park	Sheree Walinwright	02/4/1990	03/29/2025
Hempstead	Isoken Amumwengbere Irowa	06/2007	01/26/2025
Mattituck	William Lascelle		07/05/2025
Montauk	Jean Masin	2/2016	07/12/2025
Port Jefferson	Hank Ryon	2/02/1969	05/27/2025
Port Jefferson	Thomas Makros	01/26/1992	07/ 8/2025
Roslyn/Garden City	Alice Shuster Hild		08/20/2025
Sag Harbor	Tekla James		01/13/2025
Sag Harbor	Dorothy Zaykowski		01/22/2025
Sag Harbor	Vernice North		02/05/2025
Shinnecock	A. Shirley Smith		09/12/2025
Smithtown	Kenneth Sheerin		12/08/2025
Southold	Ada Horton	06/20/2004	06/08/2025
Southold	Gordon Moore	06/06/1965	06/01/2025
Southold	John Batterman	06/20/2004	11/03/2025
Westhampton	Robert Larson	01/08/1996	07/06/2025
Westhampton	Robert Cheeseman	11/2019	09/04/2025
West Islip	Linda Starr	03/18/12	06/11/2025
West Islip	Sylvia Franwick	09/09/84	09/09/2025
West Islip	Steve Olish	03/18/90	10/31/2025

Committee on Nominations Report
Presbytery of Long Island Stated Meeting November 14, 2026 - Smithtown

Action Item on Consent Agenda
***Motion –** To approve the submitted slate of the Committee on Nominations

COMMITTEE	CLASS OF	RECOMMENDATION
Synod of the Northeast	1 year	Rev. Scott Williams *(Roosevelt)*
Vice Moderator	'27	Elder Luci Duckson-Bramble *(Hempstead)*
Commission on Ministry	'29	Rev. Wade Pond (*Melville)*
Commission on Ministry	'29	Elder Roxanne Kiefer *(Setauket)*
Commission on Ministry	'29	Rev. Dr. Karen Crawford *(Smithtown)*
Board of Trustees	'29	Rev. Ida Rosario *(Retired)*
Board of Trustees	'29	Elder Jomo Forrester (*Hempstead*)
Board of Trustees	'29	Elder Candace Breen (*Selden*)
Personnel	'29	Rev. Moira Ahearne *(Freeport)*
Personnel	'29	Elder Frank D'Andrea (*Deer Park*)
Committee on Preparation for Ministry	'27	Rev. Ida Rosario *(Retired)*
Committee on Preparation for Ministry	'29	Elder Lowell Simpson *(Babylon)*
Committee on Preparation for Ministry	'29	Rev. Candy Whitman (*Setauket*)
Social Witness Committee	'29	Elder Maria Studer *(Levittown)*
Social Witness Committee	'29	Elder Heather Sini (*Port Jefferson)*
New Worshiping Communities Team	'29	Elder Barbara D'Andrea *(East Hampton)*
New Worshiping Communities Team	'29	Rev. Ida Rosario *(Retired)*
New Worshiping Communities Team	'29	Elder Marilyn Fox *(Northport)*
Shepherding Council At-Large	'29	Elder Selwyn Lee (*Mineola*)

In calendar year 2026, Enduring Witness distributed 30 grants, totaling $474,192. In total, we approved the following:

Babylon - $13,000 for heating system replacement
Baldwin - $27,000 for upgraded sound/streaming system
Bellmore - $20,000 for sanctuary entrance renovation
Bethany, Huntington Station - $22,400 for day care ceiling tiles and lighting
Bethany, Huntington Station - $14,888 for boiler replacement
Brentwood - $10,620 for heating and ventilation system replacement and repair
Community, Deer Park - $6,500 for creating a community room for youth
Community, Deer Park - $3,500 for holding a craft fair
Elmont - $18,000 for accessible bathroom
Freeport - $10,000 for parking lot repaving
Hempstead - $13,000 for water heater, commercial sink, and A/V equipment
Islip - $19,000 for kitchen foundation repair
Mattituck - $10,634 for audio/visual equipment
Malverne - $20,000 for church roof
Memorial - $15,000 for security system upgrade
Memorial - $7,500 for expansion of community garden
Middle Island - $14,000 for manse roof
Mineola - $3,500 for building entrance repair
Moriches - $3,275 for sign box repair
Northport - $30,000 for theater improvements
Old First, Huntington - $35,000 for gym upgrades
Old South Haven - $36,400 for parking lot repaving and extension
Old South Haven - $8,975 for electric panel upgrade
Old Whalers - $28,000 for parking lot repair and ADA compliance work
Port Jefferson - $15,000 for accessibility entrance ramp
Shelter Island - $11,000 for manse, AV and fire alarm work
South Asian Presbyterian Fellowship - $11,000 for legal fees related to incorporation as a congregation
Southold - $40,000 for repairs and renovations to classroom building
Sweet Hollow - $3,650 for boiler removal
Sweet Hollow - $3,350 for breezeway work

The committee rejected over a dozen applications this year; several were requests for reimbursement of projects for which the congregations already paid, which Enduring Witness does not fund. There are a few applications currently in review, to be paid (if approved) in 2027. We received some requests for more than the Enduring Witness individual grant limit, which is 10% of the total Enduring Witness annual allocation.
For 2026, Enduring Witness had $514,136 available for spending. Enduring Witness is also committed to funding 50% of the new Presbytery position for the next three years. The staff person is expected to be a resource to congregations in much the same way this committee is.
Grants are awarded on a rolling basis. Applications received after November 1 will be evaluated in 2027.

HOW TO APPLY:
The application is on the Resource page of the Presbytery website or directly at https://presbyteryofli.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/Enduring-Witness-Grant-Application.docx.
This SIMPLE form with only a few questions is all you need to get the process started. Once it's submitted, members of Enduring Witness will contact you to have a conversation about your application and advise you of your next steps.

Committee on Preparation for Ministry
Presbytery of Long Island Stated Meeting, November 14, 2026 - Smithtown

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Action Item on Consent Agenda

Motion To elect Rev. Kerry Riddle (West Islip) and Rev. James Crawford (Retired) as Ordination Exam Readers (CPM Report p. 90)

Motion: The Committee on Preparation for Ministry moves that the Presbytery of Long Island, pursuant to Book of Order G-2.0607c, waive the academic requirement seeking a transcript from a theological institution accredited by the Association of Theological Schools (ATS), as the Reverend Sharon Austin-Barrow studied at a seminary outside of the US. The CPM has reviewed her transcript and finds it equivalent to an M.Div. program in the United States and more than satisfactory.
A three-fourths (3/4) vote is required for approval. (CPM Report p. 90)

Motion: The Committee on Preparation for Ministry hereby requests that the Presbytery of Long Island authorize, in accordance with Book of Order G-2.0610, an alternative method of assessment pertaining to Theological Competence, Church Polity, Bible Exegesis, Bible Content, and Worship and Sacraments. This alternative approach will consist of both written and oral evaluations that have been developed by the CPM committee in consultation with the PC(USA) Manager of Preparation for Ministry and Exams. The Reverend Sharon Austin-Barrow was ordained in 2003 in The Methodist Church of the Caribbean and the Americas, has been fulfilling the role of Covenant Pastor at the Presbyterian Church in Elmont since January 2021, has fulfilled all the course requirements required by the Book of Order, has previously been approved by the Commission on Ministry to serve as the pastor in Elmont, and is now seeking to transfer her ordination to the PC(USA).
A three-fourths (3/4) vote is required for approval. (CPM Report p. 90)

Summary of Committee on Preparation for Ministry (CPM) met via Zoom on October 7, 2026
Present: Rev. Kerry Riddle (Chair), Rev. Glorya Johnson, Elder Janice Kincaid, Kate Jones Calone (Ex officio).
Excused: Rev. Moira Ahearne, Rev. James Crawford
Opened with prayer by Rev. Kerry Riddle at 10:08 am.
Rev. Kerry shared that the Presbytery is responsible for electing graders for the Fall Ordination exams.
MSP to elect Rev. Jim Crawford and Rev. Kerry Riddle to grade Fall ordination exams. The alternative assessments were reviewed after hours of discussion as well as consultation with the Manager for Preparation Ministry and Exams. Changes/corrections were made.
These are living documents; we anticipate they may need modifications.
MSP to approve the content of the five alternative assessments (G-2.0610)
A discussion was had regarding the flexible three-month schedule to complete the alternative assessments. Exegesis and Bible Content – given the month prior to prepare; meet in person to discuss. Polity – submitted a month later. Worship and Sacrament and Theology – given the month prior to prepare; meet via Zoom to discuss.
The committee will present two motions related to alternative assessments and specific to The Rev. Sharon Austin-Barrow's (serving the Presbyterian Church of Elmont) request to take the aforementioned assessments to transfer her ordination to the PC(USA).
Rev. Kerry reminded everyone of the positive liaison experience she received through the Presbytery and encouraged all liaisons to reach out to those under care.
Points of Interest
Candidate Stephanie Castlen will be ordained on November 14 in Pittsburgh Presbytery.
Rev. Kate shared that six people from our presbytery attended a Northeast Synod CRE retreat.
Rev. Kate shared that the Preaching class, currently in session, has about ten elders participating.
Rev. Glorya closed in prayer at 10:53.

No Items of action

At its meeting on October 6, 2026

Information

MSP Approved the transfer of Rev. Aaron Hicks from the Presbytery of Long Island to the Albany Presbytery, per his request.

MSP Permission for Elder Rich Schneider and Rev. Dr. Karen Crawford to appoint a COM moderator for the Bellmore Presbyterian Church starting in December.

MSP Request for Br. Mark D'Alessio to administer the Sacrament of Communion in our churches was **denied.**

MSP Approved the Bellmore Presbyterian Church Mission Study

MSP Permission for the Bellmore Presbyterian Church to call a congregational meeting to elect a Pastor Nominating Committee on Sunday, October 11, 202

Agreements and Terms of Call

Terms of Call		**Session of the Southold Presbyterian Church**	
Interim Pastor	**Rev. Paul J. Kirbas**	**December 1, 2026 - December 31, 2026**	
Category	**Approved Terms**	**Category**	**Approved Terms**
Time	Full-Time	Pension & Benefits	Congregational Pastor & Spouce
Residence	Housing		$ 35,250
Cash Salary	$ 100,000	Other Benefits	$ 792
Housing Allowance/Expenses	$ 31,560	(403(b)) Paid by Pastor	$ 0
Salary Supplement	$ NA	Mileage Expenses	IRS Rate $1825
Fair Market Rental Value	$ NA	Continuing Ed Days/Expenses	14D/2S - $2,000
Utilities	$ NA	Vacation Time	30D/5S
SECA Tax	$ 10,386	Pastoral Ministry	$ 500
(403(b)) Paid by Church	$ 1,000	Family Medical Leave	12 weeks
NYS Sexual Harassment Prevention Training (Annual)			
Boundary Training (Every Three Years)			
Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Training (Every Three Years)			

Personnel Committee Report
Presbytery of Long Island Stated Meeting November 14, 2026 - Smithtown

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Action Item on Consent Agenda

Motion to recommend to the Presbytery that the Presbytery approve a 4% salary increase for all of the Presbytery staff, including:
The Rev. Kate Jones Calone, Executive Presbyter and Stated Clerk
Laurie Vu, Office Administrator, Assistant to the Stated Clerk and Bookkeeper
Charlaine Apsel, Treasurer

Actions taken by the Personnel Committee on October 6, 2026.

1. Unanimously voted to recommend to the Presbytery that the Presbytery approve a 4% salary increase for all of the Presbytery staff, including:
The Rev. Kate Jones Calone, Executive Presbyter and Stated Clerk
Laurie Vu, Office Administrator, Assistant to the Stated Clerk and Bookkeeper
Charlaine Apsel, Treasurer
We are grateful for their dedicated service to the Presbytery and to the larger church.

2. We established a date to meet with the presbytery staff for an annual consultation on November 4, 2026.

3. We began our work to create a Comprehensive Personnel Policy. The committee will present the policy sometime in 2027.

Rev. James Rea
Personnel Chair

Sentences of Scripture - *Moderator/ Rev. Rachel Vione*

Leader As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves 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/ Rev. Rachel Vione*

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*

To Rev. Shavon Starling-Louis

Leader **Rev. Shavon Starling-Louis** 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 which serve Christ. God has called you to particular service. Show your purpose by answering these questions.

Leader Who is your Lord and Savior?

Presbyter **Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior**

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

Presbyter **I will, 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?

Presbyter **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?

Presbyter **I will, with God's help**

To Elder Luci Duckson-Bramble

Leader **Elder Luci Duckson-Bramble** 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 which serve Christ. God has called you to particular service. Show your purpose by answering these questions.

Leader Who is your Lord and Savior?

Vice Moderator **Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior**

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

Vice Moderator **I will, 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?

Vice 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?

Vice Moderator **I will, with God's help**

To The Presbytery - *Moderator/ Rev. Rachel Vione*

Leader Do you, members of the Presbytery of Long Island, confirm the call of God to **Shavon Starling-Louis as Associate Presbyter for Congregational Vitality** in the service of Jesus Christ?

People **We do.**

Leader Will you support and encourage her in this ministry?

People **We will.**

Leader Do you, members of the Presbytery of Long Island, confirm the call of God to **Elder Luci Duckson-Bramble** as your 2027 Vice 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/ Rev. Rachel Vione*

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 **Shavon and Luci** to this time and place. Establish them in your truth, and guide them by your Holy Spirit, that in your service they may grow in faith, hope, and love, and become faithful disciples 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/ Rev. Rachel Vione*

Leader **Rev. Shavon Starling-Louis**, you are commissioned to serve as Associate Presbyter for Congregational Vitality in the Presbytery of Long Island

and

Elder Luci Duckson-Bramble, you are installed to serve as Vice 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

Blessings - *Moderator/ Rev. Rachel Vione*

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.

Litany of Thanksgiving for the Service to the Presbytery

Give thanks to God, who is good.
God's love is everlasting.

Come, let us praise God joyfully.
Let us come to God with thanksgiving.

For the good and faithful leadership of **Elder Ellen Gove**, upon completion of her four years on the Moderator team,
Thank you, God.

For the good and faithful leadership of **Rev. Rachel Vione** during her year as Moderator and as she transitions from Moderator to Past-Moderator;
Thank you, God.

For the dedicated and hard work of so many in this presbytery who serve on committees, task forces, teams, and commissions—and in ways both seen and behind the scenes—and for those who have now completed their terms of service,
Thank you, God.

For your Holy Spirit;
Who guides our steps and brings us gifts of faith and love;
Who stirs us to service and prompts our grateful worship.
We praise you, God.

Above all, O God, for your Son Jesus Christ;
Who lived and died and lives again for our salvation;
For our hope in him;
And for the joy of serving him.
We thank you and praise you, Eternal God, for all your goodness to us.

Give thanks to God, who is good.
God's love is everlasting. Amen.

(adapted from National Capital Presbytery)

39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness



*Or "Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator."

Written as a meditation on Lamentations 3:22–23, this text is one of the few hymns among the 1200 poems by this Methodist writer and pastor that has gained much currency. The tune that appears here was composed especially for these words, and the pairing has proved enduring.

TEXT: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1923
MUSIC: William Marion Runyan, 1923
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FAITHFULNESS
11.10.11.10 with refrain

Refrain

