The Committee on Ministry granted honorable retirement to Rev. Joan Watson, who is retiring as Associate Pastor at Covenant-Charlotte as of October 31st.

Rev. Gregory Busby was approved to move from position as Temporary Pastor, to Installed Pastor at McClintock Church. COM welcomed new minister members of the Presbytery, Rev. Allison Messick-Watkins (Presbyterian Psychological Services), Rev. Jodi Martin (at-Large), and Rev. Caroline East Berardi (Chaplain, Sharon Towers).


Rev. Greg Busby sharing his sense of call to serve the McClintock Church family.

Rev. Allison Messick-Watkins

Rev. Jodi Martin

Thank you First-Monroe for a job well done!

The 141st Stated Meeting will be on Saturday, February 9, 2019
At Sharon Presbyterian Church
Hosted by Sharon and Quail Hollow Churches

Highlights of the 140th Stated Meeting of Charlotte Presbytery
Hosted by First-Monroe Presbyterian Church
Tuesday, October 23, 2018

It was with great joy and thanksgiving that we gathered at First-Monroe Presbyterian Church. Our Moderator, Rev. Luke Maybry called the meeting to order and opened with prayer. Rev. Jason Haas, Pastor, brought greetings on behalf of the First-Monroe congregation.

The Presbytery entered into a time of worship with Rev. Tim Bostick, Pastor of Harrisburg Church, delivering the sermon. Special music was provided by the Tim Trew. The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper was led by Rev. Haas and Rev. Janet Tyson.

Rev. Tim Bostick delivered the message during our Presbytery worship.


Rev. Janet Tyson and Rev. Jason Haas led the body in the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Following worship, the Moderator turned over the chair to Vice-Moderator, Doris Boyd to moderate the next several reports.
Rev. Michelle Thomas-Bush (Myers Park) presented the report of the Committee on Representation. Elder Doris Boyd (CN Jenkins) was approved to serve as 2019 Presbytery Moderator. Rev. Veronica Cannon (Avondale), was approved to serve as 2019 Vice-Moderator. Elder Riley Burgess (Davidson College) was elected to serve another term as our Synod Commissioner.

Rev. Robert Austell (Good Shepherd), Rev. Tim Bostick (Harrisburg), Elder Nancy Finlayson (Sardis) and Rev. Edmiston gave an overview explaining the need for the Associate General Presbyter position.

Rev. Austell, Moderator of the MRC introduced Rev. Matt Drumheller (First-Albemarle) and a member from Locust Church, who shared their story about the Habitat project that 3 Stanly County Churches are building together.

Megan Argabrite (The Grove) and Jay Masanotti (Selwyn Avenue) were enrolled as Inquirers and Gail Henderson-Belsito (First-Charlotte), was examined and approved as a Candidate in the reparation for Ministry process.

General Presbyter, Rev. Jan Edmiston gave a brief update on efforts to build and strengthen the level of trust within the Presbytery. Our goal is to equip our churches to have healthy ministries, serve God’s people and to make disciples.

Rev. Robert Austell, Moderator of the MRC

We had great attendance at the meeting!

Gail Henderson-Belsito was approved as a Candidate for Ministry.

Presbytery presented certificates of appreciation to our 2018 Committee Moderators that will be ending their service this year. Rev. Robert Austell (MRC), Nancy Finlayson (CPM), Rev. Betsy Williamson (PJC) and Donnie Shrum (Council) Thank you for your outstanding service to the Presbytery!