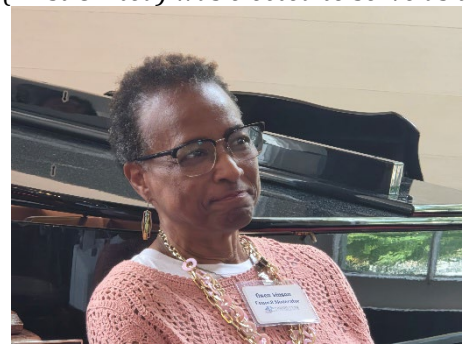
Rev. Dr. Ed McLeod, Covenant-Charlotte

Rev. Delton Farmer, First United

Elder Gwen Vinson *presented the report of the Presbytery's Council. The Presbytery approved the plan for the disposition of the proceeds received from the sale of the Christ Presbyterian Church property. Elder Vinson introduced* ***Rev. Julie Hill*** *to present the candidate for the Stated Clerk.* ***Elder Donna Fair*** *(First United) was elected to serve as the Stated Clerk for 2027.*



Elder Gwen Vinson, Council Moderator

Rev. Julie Hill

Elder Donna Fair, 2027 Stated Clerk

Rev. Neal Carter

Rev. Dr. Neal Carter *presented the report of the Committee on Representation.* ***Rev. Dr. Laldinpuia Rodawla*** *(Providence) was elected to serve as the 2027 Presbytery Moderator.* ***Rev. Dr. Mark Lee*** *(Central Steele Creek) was elected to serve as the 2027 Presbytery Vice-Moderator.*

A big thank you to Providence & Matthews-Murkland Churches for an outstanding job hosting the Presbytery!

Highlights of the 172ndt Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Charlotte

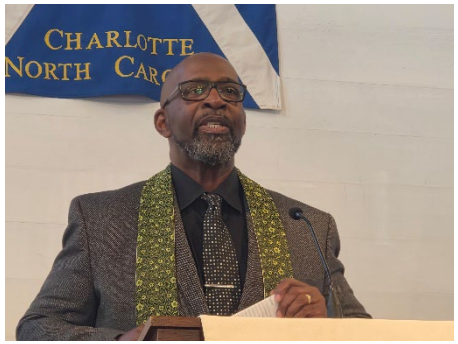
Saturday, October 24 2026

THEME: "TRANSITIONS!

It was with great joy and thanksgiving that we gathered at ***Providence Presbyterian Church.*** *The meeting was called to order and opened with prayer by our* ***2026 Moderator, Rev. Deborah Conner*** *(Davidson College Church).* ***Rev. Jody Moore,*** *Pastor, welcomed the body on behalf of the officers and members of* ***Providence and co-host, Matthews-Murlkand Church.***

The Presbytery entered into a time of worship. Worship participants included ***Annabelle Beavers*** *(Myers Park),* ***Rev. Jasmine Evans*** *(CN Jenkins),* ***Rev. Alyssa Mitchell*** *(Levine Children's Hospital),* ***Rev. Delton Farmer*** *(First United) and* ***Rev. Albert Moses*** *(Matthews-Murkland). The sermon was preached by* ***Rev. Daniel Heath,*** *Assistant Chaplain, Davidson College, entitled, "The Pace of Christ". Special musical selections were rendered by the combined choirs of Providence and Matthews-Murkland Churches under the direction of* ***Alexandra Sims****, Providence's Director of Music and* ***Rowena Lewis****, Matthews-Murkland's Minister of Music.*

Rev. Jody Moore, Pastor, Providence



Rev. Albert Moses, Pastor Matthews-Murkland

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was led by ***Rev. Dr. Allysen Schaaf*** *(Sardis) and the* ***Rev. Serenitye Taylor*** *(Covenant-Concord) with Elders from Provdence and Matthews-Murkland assisting in serving the people.*

Rev. Serenitye Taylor and Rev. Dr. Allysen Schaaf

General Presbyter, Rev. Steven Werth

*In the **General Presbyter's report, Rev. Steven Werth** shared information about his visits to several of our congregations in our Presbytery. Videos from can be found on YouTube, Facebook and Instagram with highlights of the mission and ministries going on in the churches he has visited. Steven reminded pastors to join in a monthly time of gathering for prayer on the third Thursdays of each month at the Charlotte 24-7 Prayer Room. Rev. Werth also reviewed the Presbytery Staffing model for 2027. We will have new staff members in place by the time the Presbytery gathers again in February 2027.*

Rev. Gail Henderson-Belsito

Rev. Rodger Sellars – solar energy anyone?

*In the **Ministry Resource Committee's Report**, **Rev. Gail Henderson-Belsito** announced that on January 14, 2027 at 6:30 pm, Davidson College Church will host a gathering to learn about ways to assist with medical debt. They are launching a campaign to raise $100,000 for this effort. More information can be found in the Presbytery Email Blast. **Rev. Rodger Sellers,** gave a very 'creative' update on an upcoming MRC "Lunch & Learn event in November being led by **Rev. Casey Aldridge** (First-Concord) on solar energy.*

***Rev. Lib McGregor Simmons and Rev. Lia Benton** presented the report of the Commission on Preparation for Ministry. **Annabelle Beavers** (Sheppards and Lapsley Presbytery) was examined and approved for ordination.*

Rev. Lib McGregor Simmons

Rev. Lia Benton

Annabelle Beavers

Rev. Millie Snyder

***Rev. Millie Snyder** presented the Commission on Ministry Report. The Presbytery approved the COM's 2027 recommended Minimum Terms of Call for installed pastors. The Presbytery welcomed new members, **Rev. Alyssa Mitchell**, Chaplain at Levine Children's Hospital, **Rev. Deneise Deter-Liss** (Retired), **Rev. Edward McLeod**, Transitional Pastor at Covenant-Charlotte Church and **Rev. Jasmine Evans**, Pastor at C.N. Jenkins Church. **Rev. Delton Farmer** was approved to be installed as Pastor of First United Church. **Annabelle Beavers** approved to serve as a Pastoral Resident at Myers Park Church, pending ordination.*

Rev. Alyssa Mitchell, Chaplain

Rev. Jasmine Evans, C.N. Jenkins