

**PRESBYTERY OF THE TWIN CITIES AREA
REGULAR STATED MEETING
JANUARY 14, 2012
ARLINGTON HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, ST. PAUL, MN.**

*Our Vision: We fearlessly follow the Holy Spirit into a changing world.
Today's Focus: Consistently acknowledge, confess, lament and celebrate
(A guideline for our life together as affirmed in the PTCA Strategic Plan)*

Docket

- 8:00 a.m. Pre-Presbytery: Dr. Margaret Aymer, Associate Professor of New Testament, Interdenominational Theological Center, Atlanta, GA
- 8:15 a.m. Orientation for Ruling and Teaching Elders Attending for First Time Nancy Grittman
- 8:30 a.m. Registration and Fellowship
- 9:00 a.m. Meeting Called to Order with Prayer Cindy Ray
Opening Scripture (Unison Reading) Colossians 3: 12-17
- As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.**
- Hymn "Creator of Mountains" Words: Jane Parker Huber
Tune: St. Denio
- Forming of the Roll; Declaration of Quorum Nancy Grittman
- Approval of Docket Cindy Ray
- Introduction of Teaching and Ruling Elders Attending for First Time
- Seating of Corresponding Members
- Welcome by Host Rick MacArthur
- Reports of Officers
- Executive Presbyter Chaz Ruark
- Moderator Cindy Ray
- Stated Clerk Nancy Grittman
- Vice Moderator Barbara Lutter
- Treasurer Ed Martin
- Proclamation
- Prayer of Confession (in song) "God, How Can We Forgive?" Words: Ruth Duck
Tune: Leoni

Assurance of Pardon

One: Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

All: Let us walk together, work together and worship together in the light of Christ, loving God with all our being and loving our neighbors as ourselves. Amen

Passing the Peace of Christ

Reports of Committees

Nominating Committee

Betty Raitt

Election of 220th GA Commissioners

Mission and Witness

Teresa Roberts

Bills and Overtures

Barbara Anne Keely

Board of Trustees

Rocky Rockenstein

Committee on Ministry

Bill Livingston

Lunch Instructions; Meal Blessing

12:00 p.m. **RECESS FOR LUNCH**

12:45 p.m. Reconvene - Gathering Music

Hymn "**Come and Find the Quiet Center**"

Words: Shirley Erena Murray

Tune: Beach Spring

Proclamation

Dr. Margaret Aymer, Associate Professor of New Testament

Interdenominational Theological Center, Atlanta, GA

Special Music

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

After each intercession: Lord in your mercy, **Hear our Prayer**

Hymn "**Christ Beside Me**"

Words: St. Patrick's Breastplate (adapted)

Tune: Bunesan

Report of Council

Presentation of Draft of Gracious Separation Policy

Report of Committee on Preparation for Ministry

Bill Davnie

Other Business to Come before Presbytery

Adjourn with Prayer

Cindy Ray

Next Meeting of Presbytery, March 10, 2012, Oak Grove Presbyterian Church, 2200 West Old Shakopee Road, Bloomington, MN 55431