

November 3, 2026

Important Upcoming Dates

- November 8 | Stated Meeting of Providence Presbytery
- November 12 | Presbyterian Women Luncheon
- December 4 | Mission Partnership Pledges Due

View our calendar for full details

REformed flections
from Steve

I don't see my role as your Executive Presbyter as one of wading into politics, and I won't start here. But today is Election Day, and there is a lot weighing on many of our hearts this season. So instead of offering an opinion, I thought I'd offer a prayer. Feel free to pray it with me, in your own words or in these.

Gracious God,
You are the Lord of all nations and the Shepherd of all people. As we come to this Election Day, we come first with gratitude: for the privilege of casting a vote, for those who labored and sacrificed so that we might have this right, and for the freedom to gather, to speak, and to disagree.

We pray for peace at the polls. Calm anxious hearts. Be present in every line, at every ballot box, in every church fellowship hall and school gymnasium where neighbors gather to vote. Let kindness mark our interactions with one another, especially with those whose choices differ from our own.

We pray for our poll workers: the volunteers and public servants who rise before dawn, work long hours, answer endless questions, and guard the integrity of the process. Give them patience, steadiness, and safety. Let them know their quiet faithfulness matters.
We pray for our country. Heal what is divided. Soften what has hardened. Remind us that the person across the aisle, across the street, or across the table is someone you love and for whom Christ lived, died, and lived again.

We pray for the days ahead. When the votes are counted, give us humility in victory and grace in disappointment. Where power changes hands, let it do so peacefully, with respect for the will of the people and the rule of law.

And we pray for all who are elected: that each, regardless of party or personal persuasion, would remember that they are called to serve, not to be served. May they serve every person they represent, those who voted for them and those who did not, with honesty, courage, and care for the common good, especially for the vulnerable.

Finally, Lord, whatever the results, make us people of hope, makers of peace, and neighbors to all.

In the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace we pray. Amen.

Live in hope,



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November 8th Stated Meeting

We are looking forward to the meeting at Riverview Presbyterian Church. You may view the handbook and register by clicking the button below.

Childcare will be available -- pre-registration is required. **Click here to register** yourself and child(ren). Our hosts are providing this service as a courtesy and we would like to help them prepare by letting them know how many little ones to expect and their ages!

View the Handbook and Register

BETTER TOGETHER

2027 Fall Stewardship
Providence Presbytery

A Legacy of Love

I first came to know Reverend John C. Miller and his wife, Queen, through their ministry among the youth of Providence Presbytery. I was struck by the way they served — the steady, faithful presence they brought to that work, and the genuine care they had for young people. Watching them made a real impression on me, and on so many others who saw what it looks like for a pastor and his wife to minister together.

That same commitment to young people didn't end with the Millers' ministry — it became something lasting.

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BAKE SALE + HOT DOG LUNCH

FAMILY LIFE CENTER - 9AM-2PM

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Leaderfest is Coming



As described in the previous ***In The Know***, **Leaderfest 2027,** attendees will have a variety of workshops to choose from at the March 7th event**.**

Several of these workshops will explore opportunities for involvement in projects to bring the good news to our “neighbors” - people at the edges, people in dire conditions, those who Jesus identified as the oppressed, the humble, the mild.

Following are brief descriptions of two of these workshops. And remember to check future ***In The Know*** newsletters for additional workshop descriptions.

Spotlighting Presbyterian Women and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

The Co-Moderators of Presbyterian Women (PW) of Providence Presbytery, Ellen Mayes and Lee Barnwell, have developed a workshop to inform and highlight the great work of the female members of the Providence Presbytery. Every woman in the Presbytery is a member of PW, and their important work includes appointing the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) Commission for the Presbytery. Learn about this process, the workshops that the PDA sponsors, and the money that is directed to areas of need in South Carolina.

This workshop will be of interest to Presbyterian Women in any role. Come and meet and prepare to gather at their next luncheon!

The Vital Presbyterian Witness in the Middle East: Faithfulness in Uncertainty

Are you familiar with the Syria-Lebanon Partnership Network (SLPN) of the PC(USA)? This workshop is an opportunity to learn about the 30-year partnership between the Providence Presbytery and Christian leaders in Lebanon and Syria. Come discover, through personal stories, how faithful ministry thrives in times of crisis, uncertainty, and displacement in a very troubled, but much loved, region of the world.

This workshop, led by Rev. Edgar McCall, is designed for mission team members and anyone who wants to see how God is at work in this part of the world.

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Current Job Openings

- **Bethelwoods Food Service Staff (Part-Time)**
- **Minister of Music (Part-Time) -- Clover Presbyterian**
- **Communications Specialist (Part-Time) -- Unity Presbyterian**

2026 Providence Presbytery Stated Meetings

- November 8, 2026 | Riverview Presbyterian, Fort Mill, SC | 2:30 p.m.

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