



Our Calling:

**As members of the body of Christ,  
Hudson River Presbytery is called  
to live resurrection  
with passion and partnership  
in a changing world.**

**The Presbytery of Hudson River  
July 25, 2017  
Holmes Presbyterian Camp and Conference Center, Holmes, NY  
2:00-6:00 PM**

## **Theme: Partnerships**



(Photo by Carolyn Lagattuta)

**Dress casually, bring your family, and plan to  
PICNIC!!!!**

**Please note: There will be activities—including optional boating and swimming—for children provided by the Holmes staff. If you want your child to swim, please bring a bathing suit for her/him. Also please let Holmes know ahead of time how many children you'll be bringing, their ages, and whether they'll be going swimming *by providing us this information when you preregister for the meeting*. All children should wear closed toe shoes. Adults who wish to swim may also bring a bathing suit.**

**1:30 REGISTRATION**

**2:00 CALL TO GATHER THE PRESBYTERS FOR GOD'S BUSINESS**

Moderator Peter Surgenor

**DECLARATION OF A QUORUM**

**VOTING THE DOCKET** including the *Consent Agenda*.

If any presbyter wants to remove an item from the consent agenda for discussion and action (s)he need only request that it be removed.

**THE INTRODUCTION OF NEW ELDER COMMISSIONERS**

**THE MINUTES** *Appointment of readers of this meeting's*

**WELCOME FROM HOLMES CAMP AND CONFERENCE CENTER**

**2:15 WORSHIP**

Ben Larson-Wolbrink and members of the Beacon congregation leading worship. Today's offering goes to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance to assist Glacier Camp in Montana in rebuilding their collapsed deck.

**3:15 COMMUNITY CONVERSATION TOPICS BROUGHT BY.... YOU!!**

During most of the year, we've offered Community Conversations at our presbytery meetings... a chance to connect with each other around a broad range of topics, chosen by the Coordinating Team. Now, it's your turn.

Today, we will hold an **Open Forum** where you can discuss, share, envision with your sisters and brothers at Hudson River Presbytery anything that is important to you. During this time, **participants at the meeting are welcome to suggest and host any topic** they would like to discuss.

- Wanting to connect with other congregations around youth group activities, immigration, or world music?
- Maybe you want to discuss various ways for creating new worshipping communities?
- Or, maybe, you simply need some folks to pray with?

Please note, you don't need to be an expert in the topic. You just need to commit to facilitating the conversation in a certain place (and maybe find someone to take notes if that's important to your group).

If it's a nice day, we can have as many topics as we want and meet just about anywhere on the campgrounds. If bad weather forces us indoors, we'll be limited to 5 or 6 topics. So, please come - and invite others from your congregation to join us - for a day of reveling in God's creation and sharing however the Spirit may lead us.

**4:15 90-SECOND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**4: 30 TRANSITION TEAM**

Debra Bronkema

**4:45 COUNCIL REPORT**

Gavin Meek

**4:55 INTERIM GENERAL PRESBYTER'S REPORT**

Gavin Meek

**5:10 FAITH AND ORDER**

Robert Trawick

- 5:20 COMMITTEE ON REPRESENTATION AND NOMINATIONS** Heather Benedict
- 5:25 HOLMES BOARD** James Burke
- 5:35 BUDGET, FINANCE, & PROPERTY COMMITTEE/TRUSTEES** Tom Buchanan
- 5:45 BROOK ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION REPORT** Glenn Hendrickson
- 5:50 STATED CLERK'S REPORT** Susan De George
- 5:55 COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY** Jeffrey Farley and Charles Low
- 6:00 NEW BUSINESS**  
 (150 copies must be in the hands of the Stated Clerk by 3:15 PM)  
**ATTENDANCE**  
**ADJOURNMENT with BLESSING OF MEAL**

**6:00 PICNIC- \$10 for adults, \$7 for children**

**6:30-7:00 SWIMMING AND BOATING**

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TUESDAY, September 19, 2017 is the next meeting of the Presbytery of Hudson River. The Presbytery will gather for registration at 9:30 AM and worship and business at 10:00 AM at the Hitchcock Presbyterian Church, 6 Greenacres Avenue, Scarsdale, NY.

Those unable to attend a stated meeting or a special called meeting shall submit their requests to be excused to Lori Hylton at [lori@hudrivpres.org](mailto:lori@hudrivpres.org).