



FALL PRESBYTERY MEETING MINUTES

September 16-18, 2025

Wednesday - September 17, 2025

- I. Call to Order - establish quorum
 - A. Roll call of member churches with named delegates
 1. All Saints Church, New Holland, PA
 - a. Rev. Kasey Horvath
 - b. Rev. Brandon Gilanyi
 2. Christ Covenant Church, Shippensburg, PA
 - a. Pastor Ray Barbeito
 - b. Elder Nicolas Barbeito
 3. Christ Reformed Church, Candor, NY
 - a. Rev. Michael Jones
 - b. Rev. Ralph Riegle
 4. Christ Reformed Church, Oakland, ME
 - a. Rev. Chris Boland
 - b. Elder Jake Lajoie
 5. Christ the King Church, Belfast, ME
 - a. Reverend Garrett Soucy
 6. Oakwood Bible Church, Troy, NY
 - a. No delegates present
 7. The King's Chapel, Brooklyn, NY
 - a. Rev. Troy Greene
 8. The Shepherd's Church
 - a. Rev. Kendall Lankford
 - b. Elder Derrick Taylor
 9. Tri-City Covenant Church, Somersworth, NH
 - a. Elder Paul Edgar
 - b. Rev. Harold Guptill
 - B. PM Guptill declared a quorum present for the meeting
 - C. Roll call of mission churches with attendees present
 1. Covenant Reformed Church, Buffalo, NY
 - a. Nick Wells
 - b. Aaron Masters
 2. Heritage Reformed Christian Fellowship, China, ME
 - a. Rev. Matt Corey
 3. Ruler of the Kings, Carlisle, PA



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- a. Elder Michael Winkelman
- 4. White Stone Church of Christ, Niagara, Ontario, Canada
 - a. Elder William Ravensbergen
 - b. Elder Ryan Eras
 - c. Guest Brandon Skarpa (Ministerial Student)
- 5. Providence Reformed Church, Union City, PA
 - a. Elder Aaron Wood
 - b. Elder David McIntire
- 6. Trinity Reformed Church, Freeport, PA
 - a. Pro-Tem Elder Herb Suereth
- D. Introduction of guests present
 - 1. Elder Herb Suereth - Secretary of the meeting to take minutes
 - 2. Elder John Trabucchi - Christ Reformed Church, Oakland, ME - John served as delegate when Chris Boland had to rest due to back issues
 - 3. Alex Oakes - from a church in Maine who are looking at possibly joining the CREC
 - 4. Matt Reoli - Guest of All Saints Church
 - 5. Pastor Jacob Tanner and Jared Wehry - Christ Keystone, Mifflinburg, PA - who are looking at possibly joining the CREC
 - 6. Beverly Heights Presbyterian Church
 - a. Rev. Nate Devlin
 - b. Elder Kyle Bennett
 - c. Elder Peter Chace
 - 7. Lauren Masters (Aaron's Wife)
- II. Aaron Masters Floor Exam
 - A. Ordination Committee Members examined Aaron
 - 1. Garrett Soucy (Eschatology, Ethics)
 - 2. Michael Jones (Scripture, Leadership/Pastoring)
 - 3. Chris Boland (Bible, Pastoral)
 - 4. John Correa (Apologetics, Theology)
 - B. Presbytery delegates further examined Aaron
 - C. PM Guptill dismissed the mission churches and guests for Closed Session for Discussion
 - D. At conclusion of closed session, the mission churches and guests rejoined the meeting
 - E. Garrett Soucy Announced that Aaron Masters passed his floor exam



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F. Harold Guptill officially declared the ordination valid per CREC governing documents Appendix III

III. LUNCH RECESS

IV. PM Guptill called the meeting called back to order

A. Peter Chace Floor Exam

1. Ordination Committee Members examined Peter
 - a. Troy Greene (Christian Experience, Calling, Ministry)
 - b. Paul Edgar (Scripture)
 - c. Brandon Gilanyi (Theology)
 - d. Nicholas Barbeito (History)
 - e. Kendall Lankford (Practical Theology)
2. Presbytery delegates further examined Peter
3. PM Guptill dismissed the mission churches and guests for Closed Session for Discussion
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5. Troy Greene announced that Peter Chace passed his floor examination
6. Harold Guptill officially declared the ordination valid per CREC governing documents Appendix III with the removal of leadership in Bucer Presbytery language

B. Kyle Bennett Floor Exam

1. Ordination Committee Members examined Kyle
 - a. Troy Greene (Christian Experience, Calling, Ministry)
 - b. Paul Edgar (Scripture)
 - c. Brandon Gilanyi (Theology)
 - d. Nicholas Barbeito (History)
 - e. Kendall Lankford (Practical Theology)
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V. Ralph/Ray motion to adjourn - motion carried unanimously

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 - a. Rev. Chris Boland
 - b. Elder Jake Lajoie
5. Christ the King Church, Belfast, ME
 - a. Rev. Garrett Soucy
6. Oakwood Bible Church, Troy, NY
 - a. No delegates present
7. The King's Chapel, Brooklyn, NY
 - a. Rev. Troy Greene
8. The Shepherd's Church
 - a. Rev. Kendall Lankford
 - b. Elder Derrick Taylor
9. Tri-City Covenant Church, Somersworth, NH
 - a. Elder Paul Edgar
 - b. Rev. Harold Guptill

B. PM Guptill declared a quorum present for the meeting

C. Roll call of mission churches with attendees present

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 - a. Nick Wells
 - b. Aaron Masters
2. Heritage Reformed Christian Fellowship, China, ME



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 - b. Elder Kyle Bennett
 - c. Elder Peter Chace
 - 6. Michael Borgos - Northwest Hills Church in Torrington, CT

II. Church Reports

- A. Member Churches
 - 1. All Saints Church, New Holland, PA
 - 2. Christ Covenant Church, Shippensburg, PA
 - 3. Christ Reformed Church, Candor, NY
 - 4. Christ Reformed Church, Oakland, ME
 - 5. Christ the King Church, Belfast, ME
 - 6. Oakwood Bible Church, Troy, NY
 - 7. The Shepherd's Church, Chelmsford, MA
 - 8. Tri-City Covenant Church, Sommersworth, NH
- B. Mission Churches
 - 1. Covenant Reformed Church, Buffalo, NY



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2. Heritage Reformed Christian Fellowship, China, ME
3. Ruler of Kings Church, Carlisle, PA
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6. Trinity Reformed Church, Freeport, PA

III. PM Report

- A. Harold read the PM report submitted to the presbytery
- B. Garrett/Michael moved to allow Mission Church to speak to the second point of the committee commissioned in point #2.
 1. Motion Carries
 2. Discussion
- C. Ralph/Kasey motion to accept the PM report as submitted - motion carried unanimously

IV. Bucer Ministers List

- A. All Saints Church, New Holland, PA
 1. Kasey Horvath
 2. Brandon Gilanyi
- B. Christ Covenant Church, Shippensburg, PA
 1. Ray Barbeito
- C. Christ Reformed Church, Candor, NY
 1. Michael Jones
 2. Ralph Reigle
- D. Christ Reformed Church, Oakland, ME
 1. Chris Boland
- E. Christ the King Church, Belfast, ME
 1. Garrett Soucy
- F. Covenant Reformed Church, Warsaw, NY
 1. Aaron Masters
- G. Oakwood Bible Church, Troy, NY
 1. Jim DuJack
- H. The King's Chapel, Brooklyn, NY
 1. Troy Greene
 2. Brian Penney, without a call
 3. Tony Aguilar, without a call
- I. The Shepherd's Church, Chelmsford, MA
 1. Kendall Lankford



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- J. Tri-City Covenant Church, Somersworth, NH
 - 1. Harold Guptill
 - 2. Paul Edgar
 - 3. John Correia
- V. PM Support and Enumeration
 - A. (Ray Barbeito PM PT, took over moderator duties)
 - B. Ray/Derrick move to raise the amount to \$600 total (\$300 for support and \$300 for PM enumeration)
 - 1. Discussion
 - 2. Motion carried unanimously
 - 3. Mission Churches are included in this requirement
- VI. PM of Council and Greater CREC Reports
 - A. (Harold Guptill PM, resumed Moderator Duties)
- VII. Memorial on Nations Expanded Proposal
 - A. Discussion
 - B. Suspended discussion for lunch
- VIII. LUNCH RECESS
- IX. PM Guptill called the meeting called back to order
- X. Memorial on Nations Expanded Proposal
 - A. Continue discussion toward consensus
 - B. Consensus achieved
 - 1. In the supporting paper under the heading "What We Condemn/2. Anti-Semitism"
 - a. Strike the sentence "Christ came through Israel (Rom. 9:4-5), and Paul earnestly sought their salvation (Rom. 1:16)."
 - b. And replace with "Christ came through the blood line of the Jewish People, in particular King David (Romans 1:3) as a Jewish Man and Paul earnestly sought their salvation (Rom 1:16)"
 - 2. Remove Customs from the last sentence of the memorial and in the affirmation
 - 3. Reverse the order of condemnations and affirmations in both the memorial and the supporting paper
 - C. Mission churches asked to offer comments/input on the consensus achieved
 - 1. Discussion
 - D. Motion for Bucer input to Council
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- b. And replace with “Christ came through the blood line of the Jewish People, in particular King David (Romans 1:3) as a Jewish Man and Paul earnestly sought their salvation (Rom 1:16)”
2. In the body of the 100 word memorial
 - a. Strike “sanctifying all peoples, languages, and customs”
 - b. And replace with “sanctifying all tribes, tongues, and nations”
 - c. Strike “racial hatred” and replace with “ethnocentric hatred”
3. Reverse the order of condemnations and affirmations in both the memorial and the supporting paper

E. The motion carried unanimously

XI. Presbytery Membership Actions

- A. Ray/Derrick motioned to accept Beverly Heights Presbyterian Church as a candidate church
 1. Discussion
 - a. Ray: Christ Covenant Church will be the sponsor church
 2. Pastor Nate Devlin Presented
 3. Motion carried unanimously
- B. Kendall/Nicholas motioned to accept Christ Keystone Church, Mifflinburg, PA to be a candidate church.
 1. Discussion
 - a. Kendall: The Shepherd's Church will be the sponsor church
 2. Pastor Jacob Tanner
 3. Motion carried unanimously

XII. New Business

- A. Michael motioned to create an official clerk for the presbytery position
 1. No Second
- B. Worldview Institute - Presentation by Brandon Gilanyi
- C. All Saints Summer Music Camp (Cantus Convivium)-Presentation by Herb Suereth
- D. Fall Presbytery 2026: To occur in Nashville next September in conjunction with the Council meeting

XIII. Good of the Order

- A. Harold recognized and thanked Pastor Kendall Lankford and The Shepherd's Church for their work to host the presbytery meeting



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- B. Harold recognized and thanked PJ and Navigation Brewery for their contribution to the presbytery meeting
- C. Harold recognized and thanked all committee members and chairs for their work this past year.

XIV. Ray/Kendall move to adjourn - motion carried unanimously