

Call for a Special Meeting of the Presbytery

Notice is hereby given that in response to the actions of Albany Presbytery taken at its Stated Meeting at the United Presbyterian Church in Northville, New York, on June 6, 2017, "to postpone until a Special Presbytery Meeting called for September 12, 2017, consideration of a new staffing model" and "to direct the Coordination Committee to work with Synod of the Northeast Leader Harold Delhagen to develop a well-designed process and timeline for arriving at a final staffing plan", and in accordance with Standing Rule II-B, Moderator Cara Molyneaux has called a Special Meeting of Albany Presbytery to be held on Tuesday, September 12, 2017, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, Ballston Spa, 22 West High Street, Ballston Spa, New York. (G-3.0304).

The purpose of this meeting will be to receive and discuss an initial report from the <u>Staffing Process Advisory Team</u> that was formed, organized, and convened by Vice-Moderator-Elect Rev. Kate Kotfila on behalf of the Coordination Committee and after consultation with Harold Delhagen to respond to Presbytery's direction "to develop a well-designed process and timeline for arriving at a final staffing plan." The Advisory Team invites Albany Presbytery into a series of patient, worshipful, and collaborative conversations – beginning at the Special Meeting on September 12 – aimed toward strengthening community and clarifying presbytery's goals and priorities. The Advisory Team believes that such steps will be needed in order to discern the best staffing model to support shared goals.

No business other than matters related to the item listed above in this notice may be transacted at this Special Meeting which will be closed with prayer. No meal will be provided, and the meeting is expected to adjourn around 8:30 p.m.