

## **AGENDA**

### **Governing Commission Launch**

The Synod of the Trinity

#### *WHO?*

All members of the newly formed Governing Commission

#### *WHAT?*

Initial meeting and orientation

#### *WHEN?*

Begin: Wednesday, September 16, Noon

End: Thursday, September 17, 2:00 PM

#### *WHERE?*

Synod office: 3040 Market Street, Camp Hill, PA 17011

Lodging has been arranged for you by Catherine Gray

#### *WHY?*

To orient Governing Commission members to their work, to deepen a sense of shared leadership, and to prepare for the start of a new governance model

#### *HOW?*

By God's grace and planning for an agenda as follows:

#### **The Synod's primary end:**

"As part of the Body of Christ, the Synod of the Trinity, through the responsible use of shared resources, supports and challenges member Presbyteries to be vital, innovative, and faithful in their collaborative and distinctive callings."

#### **The secondary ends of the Synod are:**

- Connect presbytery leadership for coordination, spiritual support and sharing best practices.
- Encourage innovation in, between and among presbyteries through the use of human, programmatic and financial resources.
- Provide services of education and nurture as requested by member presbyteries.
- Extend partnership of member presbyteries in joint and shared mission and ministry.
- Nurture relationships within the larger church for the purpose of greater witness
- Fostering conversation and action for the promotion of social righteousness.

### **Weds, Sep 16**

Noon – Lunch Together (provided)

1:15 PM

Session 1

Call to Order (Barbara)

Devotional (Barbara)

Team Building (Phil)

Laser Review of Policy Governance (Sue)

Orientation to GC Work (Wayne)

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3:00 – Break

### Session 2

Principles and Strategies for Working Together (Phil)

Decision-making (guidelines)

Calendar (annual cycle)

Finances (reporting, budget)

Organizational Relationships (GC vis-à-vis Assembly, Synod Executive)

Evaluation (GC self-evaluation, Synod Executive evaluation)

Other

5:00 – Break

5:30 – Dinner Together (provided)

6:45 PM

### Session 3

Team Building (Phil)

Dreaming

8:00 PM

Fellowship

## **Thur, Sep 17**

Breakfast at hotel or on your own

9:00 AM

### Session 4

Call to Order (Barbara)

Devotional (Sue)

Reflections and Questions from Weds (Barbara)

Team Building (Phil)

Remaining Agenda from Weds (Barbara)

10:45 – Break

11:00 AM

### Session 5

Date and Agenda for October GC Meeting (Barbara)

Future Dates

Other

12:30 – Lunch Together (provided)

1:30 PM

GC Meeting Self-Evaluation (Phil)

Prayers (Barbara)

2:00 – Adjourn