

**SYNOD OF THE MID-ATLANTIC**  
245th STATED MEETING  
March 13-14, 2020  
Massanetta Springs Camps and Conference Center  
Harrisonburg, VA

**DOCKET DRAFT**  
Ruling Elder Mawuna Gardesey, Moderator

**Friday, March 13, 2020**

- 7:30 a.m. Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m. Orientation for New Commissioners and Visitors**
- 8:30 a.m. Registration, Coffee and Conversations**
- 9:00 a.m. Convening the 244th Stated Meeting**  
Convening Prayer and Welcome . . . . . Moderator Mawuna Gardesey  
Acknowledgement of the Land We Occupy  
Declaration of Quorum
- 9:10 a.m. Celebration of Worship and Communion**
- 10:15 a.m. Assembly Continues**  
Appointment of Temporary Clerk  
Enrollment of Commissioners, Corresponding Members, Guests and Visitors  
Adoption of the Docket  
Adoption of the Procedural Guide  
Approval of 244th Stated Meeting Minutes  
Greetings - Clayton Roscoe, Executive Director of Massanetta Springs  
Nominations Committee Report - Part I (Designated Committees)
- 10:30 a.m. Plenary One – Matthew 25 – Addressing Systemic Racism thru Understanding Slavery/Jim Crow**  
The Assembly is invited to experience the visit to the National Monument of Peace and Justice and the Museum of From Enslavement to Mass Incarceration as Commissioners share the February 6-8, 2020 Montgomery Immersion Experience as 31 persons from 9 presbyteries share their experiences. What are the strategies each will share with its presbyteries? What are the conversations to be had? How would you utilize the video footage? What’s next?
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch**
- 1:30 p.m. Plenary Two – Matthew 25 – Developing Vital Congregations thru Black Leadership Development**  
The 241<sup>st</sup> Synod Assembly voted as a “Synod to be known identifying, recruiting, developing and nurturing the Next Generation of African American Leadership who will serve Presbyterian congregations, councils and beyond.” Questions, strategies and timelines will be shared on how the Synod will approach/design a system that reopens a pipeline of leadership development for African Americans using families, congregations, communities, organizations, Black Presbyterian Colleges/Universities, Presbyteries, Synods, Presbyterian Mission Agency, and other organizations, agencies in this historic venture. What are the take-a-ways?

- 3:30 p.m. BREAK**
- 3:45 p.m. Designated Committee Meetings**
- ❖ Administration Committee
  - ❖ Finance Committee
  - ❖ Grants/Awards/Presbytery Initiatives/Jubilee Fund Committees
- 5:50 p.m. Break**
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner and Recess**
- 9:00 p.m. Ice Cream and or Hot Chocolate Social**

**Saturday, March 14, 2020**

- 7:30 a.m. Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m. Reconvene Prayer**
- 8:35 a.m. Updates from Presbyterian Agencies**
- 8:50 a.m. Plenary Three – Matthew 25 – Alleviating Poverty thru Disaster Recovery and Hunger Programs**  
 When Natural Disasters hit, poverty and hunger merge for many persons. Presbyteries in NC and Puerto Rico have sought to address the three together. Hear the challenges and opportunities that have taken root in these areas as the Assembly received updates from Coastal Carolina, New Hope Presbyteries and Puerto Rico. How is your presbytery addressing disasters? What is your presbytery doing to address hunger? What is your presbytery doing to address poverty?
- 10:30 a.m. Receiving Assembly Reports and Recommendations**
- Stated Clerk and Executive Report
  - Omnibus Motion – Kate B. Reynolds, Committee on Representation, Jubilee Fund
  - Nomination Committee Part 2
  - Finance Committee
  - Administration Committee
  - Grants, Awards and Presbytery Initiatives
  - Executive Committee
- 11:45 a.m. Closing Worship**
- 12:25 p.m. Adjourning Prayer**
- 12:30 Noon Lunch**

**Note: This is a docket draft. Content and times are subject to change. You will receive the proposed docket upon your arrival during registration Friday morning.**