


The Presbytery of the Peaks met via  on November 12, 2020.

### HERE ARE THE HIGHLIGHTS:



#### **We Installed Rev. Dr. Carl Utley as General Presbyter:**

Carl has been our Transitional Presbyter for the last 3 years, and we're happy to welcome and officially install him as our GP!



#### **We Learned about Matthew 25 from Diane Moffit, PMA Head**

Diane talked about how our congregations can strengthen congregational relationships and create a renewed commitment to "serve the least of these" in our community and around the world.



#### **We Elected a New Stated Clerk:**

Rev. Dave Baker, currently Peaks' Director of Communications, was elected to a 4 year term as Stated Clerk, and will begin serving in his dual role as Stated Clerk and Director of Communications on January 1st.

#### **We had a First Reading of a new Policy on Pastoral Separations:**

Check out the Presbytery meeting info on the website for more information.

#### **We Approved Terri Cornwell as a Candidate for Ministry:**

Terri is already serving Rustburg Presbyterian Church as a Commissioned Pastor, and is completing seminary part time. *Congratulations Terri!*

#### **We Welcomed 2 New Pastors:**

*Rev. Sarah Wiles* at Blacksburg Presbyterian Church and *Rev. Susi Ennis* at First Presbyterian Church of Covington.

#### **We Approved a 6 Month Budget:**

In order to give the Transformation Team more flexibility, the Presbytery will be approving its budget in 6 month increments this year.

#### **New Moderator and Vice Moderator Installed:**

Rev. Steve Willis will serve as our 2021 Moderator, and Ruling Elder Helen Dean as our 2021 Vice-Moderator. Thanks to outgoing Moderator Skip Martin!

#### **New Presbytery Office Location:**

The old office building is in the process of being sold. The Presbytery heard details about the new office building located at 1195 Carters Stable Road, Forest, VA 24551. There's a 3 year lease on this property, but the Transformation Team may recommend a different eventual location.