

## **PRESBYTERY OF WABASH VALLEY**

### **OUR PRIORITIES**

*To create and enhance congregational partnerships to affirm and celebrate  
God's activity in the larger church.*

*To provide, encourage and financially support leadership development to equip  
leaders for the task to which God calls us.*

*To practice spiritual discernment and the discipline of spiritual renewal  
testifying to our faith in God upon whom we wait.*

**Geneva Center, Rochester, IN**

**Rev. John Ritchie, Moderator**  
**Elder Pam Camren, Vice Moderator**

**Elder Linda L. Long, Stated Clerk**  
**Rev. Ray Fancher, Interim General Presbyter**

### **Our Work, Worship and Celebration**

*Do this because you are a people set apart as holy to God, your God. God, your God, chose you  
out of all the people on Earth for himself as a cherished, personal treasure.*

*God wasn't attracted to you and didn't choose you because you were big and important—the  
fact is, there was almost nothing to you. God did it out of sheer love, keeping the promise God  
made to your ancestors. God stepped in and mightily bought you back out of that world of slavery,  
freed you from the iron grip of Pharaoh king of Egypt.*

*Know this: God, your God, is God indeed, a God you can depend upon. God keeps his covenant  
of loyal love with those who love him and observe his commandments for a thousand generations.*

Deuteronomy 7:6-9, The Message

#### **A. 10:00 a.m. EST Gathering in God's Presence**

1. Welcome
2. Convene with Hymn
3. Opening Prayer
4. Establishment of Roll and Quorum
5. Introduction of Elders and Pastors attending for the first time
6. Seating of corresponding members
7. Review and Approval of the Docket
8. Consent Agenda
  - a. Minutes of November 17, 2009, Stated Assembly Meeting
  - b. Report of Committee on Ministry actions
  - c. Report of Council actions
  - d. Report of Synod Commissioners
  - e. Other reports for information only

#### **B. 10:15 a.m. EST Celebrating God's Grace**

1. Bible Study and Reflection
2. Prayer of Confession
3. Assurance of God's Forgiveness
4. Charge to Live a Forgiven Lifestyle
5. Passing the Peace

6. Report from Board of Pensions
7. Celebrating the Retirement of the Reverend Stan Kessler
8. Celebrating the Pastor Emeritus status of the Reverend Nancy Becker
9. Report of the Stated Clerk

**C. 11:05 a.m. EST Proclamation of God's Word**

1. Hymn of Praise –
2. Prayer for Illumination
3. Scripture Readings: Deuteronomy 7:6-9
4. Sermon
5. Hymn –
6. Commissioning a Lay Pastor: Elder Martha Flora to First Presbyterian Church of Albion
7. Hymn –
8. Prayer before Lunch

**D. 1:00 p.m. EST Responding to God's Word**

1. Hymn
2. Offering
3. Invitation to the Lord's Table
4. Great Prayer of Thanksgiving
5. Sharing the Bread and the Cup
6. Prayer after the Meal
7. Hymn

**E. 1:15 p.m. EST Discerning God's Mission**

1. Report of the Committees on Ministry and Preparation for Ministry
  - a. Examination for Ordination as Minister of the Word and Sacrament:  
Candidate Vanessa Syvertsen to serve Lima Presbyterian Church, Howe
2. Report of the Nominating Committee
3. Report of the Presbytery Council
4. Geneva Center Budget for 2010
5. Report of the Missional Transformation Coordinating Team
6. Conversation on proposed policy for Administrative Commissions
7. Reports of other committees, teams, commissions or task forces
8. Comments from the Interim General Presbyter
9. Mission reading/presentation
10. Prayers of the People

**F. 2:45 p.m. EST Serving in God's Name**

1. Closing Hymn
2. Blessing and Sending

The next Stated Assembly will be April 27 at **Calvary Presbyterian Church, Logansport.**