

# THE 710th MEETING OF THE PRESBYTERY OF SAN FRANCISCO

## First Presbyterian Church

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Tuesday, August 27, 2019

*The mission of  
the Presbytery of San Francisco is  
to **celebrate**, **nurture** and **serve**  
our communities  
by our life together in **Christ**.*

*(Mission Statement approved by Presbytery January 28, 2014!)*

### DETAILED DOCKET

*Please print this document and bring it with you to the meeting.*

*Also read and print or download the background documents  
from the presbytery website: [www.presbyteryofsf.org](http://www.presbyteryofsf.org).*

*[Wi-Fi is available on the church campus. Capacity may be reached as it is also to be used for **spf-io**,  
our translation system! So it is always best to save material to computer and bring computer—or  
print before hand!]*



*We are continuing to utilize “Omnibus” motion (includes all reports and non-action items) and  
“Consent Docket” (includes all action items not anticipated to require debate or discussion) to  
increase efficiency of meetings. We are also moving toward having only items requiring Presbytery  
Action included in the Docket. ([Understanding Presbytery Packet](#))*

2:30-3:00 p.m.	Registration, Refreshments & Resources	Narthex
3:00 p.m.	Presbytery plenary meeting convenes	Sanctuary
	Opening Hymn: <i>In the Midst of New Dimensions</i>	<b>Glory to God #315</b>
	Call to Order and Convening Prayer	Co-Moderators
	Welcome to all presbyters, guests and first-time commissioners Seating of Corresponding Members	

Greetings from the host congregation

Rev. Jake Medcalf

**MOTION:** *To approve the docket for this meeting.*

Elder Rochelle R Shaw

**MOTION:** *To approve [the June 2018 and May 2019 meeting minutes](#)*

*Announcements*

**3:20 p.m. Stated Clerk's Report**

Elder Rochelle R Shaw

**MOTION:** *To approve the Consent Docket*

*\*Any additional names for Nominations from the floor. Any commissioner can remove any item from the Consent Docket and place it at the end of the meeting by simply standing and requesting the Moderator to have it pulled from the Consent Docket. [\(See Report II\)](#)*

**MOTION:** *To approve the Omnibus Motion*

*To receive all reports to presbytery (for recording in Minutes)  
[\(See Report III\)](#)*

Centering Song: I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

**3:30-3:45 p.m. Introductions:**

- Mark Frey – PCUSA Board of Pensions
- Maggie Harmon – Presbyterian Foundation, Southwest
- Shawn Kang – New Worshiping Communities (NWC) 1-minute summary report

**3:50 p.m. Explanation of "Truly Open" Spaces, Tabling & Transition time**

Rev. Talitha Aho

**4:00-4:45 p.m. Open Spaces available rooms (Capacity)**

- Room 14 (25 people)
- Room 11 / "the clinic" – Music Room
- Parlor (30 people)
- Courtyard
- Room 10 (unless used for Childcare)

**4:45-5:00 Tabling & Transition time**

**5:00-5:45 p.m. Regional Meetings**

- [East Regional Meeting](#)
- [Central Regional Meeting](#)
- [West Regional Meeting](#)

Forum Room  
Sanctuary  
Multipurpose Room

**5:45-6:00 Tabling & Transition time**

**6:00-7:00 p.m. Dinner Break – FOOD TRUCKS**

Courtyard & Parlor



7:40 p.m. **Report of the Committee on Ministry (COM)**

Rev. Janet Bower  
Elder Betty Delany  
Elder Roland Peterson

“Trials” of ordination – Q&A of candidate for ministry

**MOTION:** Jane Doty MacKenzie /First Presbyterian Church, Burlingame – Pending successful examination, approve her call as a Full-time Associate Pastor of Community Care beginning August 1, 2019 *and* Approve the Administrative Commission to ordain Jane Doty MacKenzie at Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church, Lafayette on September 15, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. ([Report I C1](#))

**MOTION:** The Committee on Ministry recommends and moves that the Presbytery of San Francisco change the following members to the status of Honorably Retired (HR) ([Report I C2](#)):

- **Steve Harrington** effective August 31, 2019
- **Carmen Mason-Browne** effective August 1, 2019
- **Tom Waddell** effective August 31, 2019

Invitation for our new HR’s to share words of wisdom

Welcome Donald Hammond and Johanna Wagner  
Recognition of John Anderson with St. John’s PC, San Francisco  
Death of Rev. Jack Buckley

Prayers for our Ministers

8:05 p.m. **Report - Bethel Administrative Commission** ([See Report III E](#))

Rev. Grace Suzuki

8:10 p.m. **Future Presbytery Meeting Dates**

Rev. Talitha Aho

**MOTION:** The Presbytery Working group request approval to adopt the proposed 2020 Meeting Dates (*Locations TBD*) ([Report I D](#))

Tuesday – February 11 (*tentatively hosted by Irvington, Fremont*)  
Tuesday – May 12  
Tuesday – August 25  
Saturday – September 26 (*Presbytery Day – Special event*)  
Tuesday – November 10

8:13 p.m. **Call for New Business and Items Pulled from Consent Docket**

8:15-9:00 p.m. **Service of Worship with Lord’s Supper**

Sanctuary

9:00 p.m. **Closing Prayers and Adjournment**

Co-Moderators

**NEXT MEETING AT  
Presbyterian Church in Chinatown, San Francisco  
on November 12, 2019**



***We are the Body of Christ***

*We are God's people gathered to do God's work, and in prayer we seek to know the mind of Christ. Our time together is much more than a 'business' meeting; it is time for fellowship, worship, education and reflection - and, yes, some decision-making, too.*

*The docket for our gathering is constructed so that worship is at the center of our time together to highlight that Christ is at our center. We also begin and end every presbytery meeting with prayer. Additionally at the meeting, we often introduce a spiritual discipline such as a chant or repeating song or a litany to help us be mindful that we gather as Christ's body, not primarily as a legislative body.*

*With these outward actions, we are invited to seek Christ's inward leading as we speak and listen to each other and to the Holy Spirit moving among us.*

*- the Officers of the Presbytery*

**The next plenary Presbytery meeting will be:**

**Tuesday, November 12**

**Presbyterian Church in Chinatown, San Francisco**



Docket, table and space requests are due by **noon** on **Tuesday, Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>**

"print ready" packet materials are due by **noon** on **Tuesday, Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>**

Please send ALL requests and information (in WORD)  
to [packet@sfpby.org](mailto:packet@sfpby.org).

The packet will be posted by **8 pm** on **Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>**