

# Commissioners

## 223rd PC (USA) General Assembly



### **Heather Shortlidge** (*TE First of Annapolis, Bay Area Ministry Group*)

Heather Shortlidge is the Associate Pastor at First Presbyterian Church of Annapolis and currently, Chair of CPM. I have also served as Chair of Sexual Misconduct Investigating Committee. She has been a part of Baltimore Presbytery for 10 years. Attended GA in 2003 (Denver) as a TSAD and in 2004 (Richmond) as an Observer. I feel called to participate in GA in order to carefully listen and discern God's will and direction for the church in a changing and chaotic world.



### **Michael Moore** (*TE Knox Presbyterian, In-the-loop Ministry Group*)

Michael Moore's present sense of call has evolved into issues of church growth and the work of reconciliation. His focus has been around relationships, reconciliation and racial and justice issues. He currently serve on the Presbytery of Baltimore's Gathering Team and is very active in the Presbytery's Apostles/Disciples group, which creates forums for dialogue around justice issues. Michael has attended intense training at the Duke Summer Institute for Reconciliation and recently attended the NEXT church conference certification in community organizing and congregational leadership. He was part of a mission tour to Guatemala and will be traveling to see the Presbytery's Dakota partnership to add another dimension to his understanding of diverse cultures in the work of reconciliation. Michael says all these experiences have reshaped my sense of call and to have an impact on the greater life of the church and denomination. It would be his privilege to attend GA as a commissioner and represent the Presbytery in the national worship and business of the church.



### **Bill Daniel** (*RE Woods Memorial, Bay Area Ministry Group*)

Bill Daniel is currently studying to become a Professional Life Coach after holding a variety of Senior Management positions at Roche Diagnostic Corp., Indianapolis, Bayer Diagnostics, Tarrytown, NY. He is a member of the Presbytery's Committee on Ministry and has served multiple terms on Session at Woods Memorial Presbyterian Church and chaired the PNC at Woods in 2010. Bill holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Birmingham Southern College.



### **John Brewington** (*CRE Lochearn Presbyterian, In-the-loop Ministry Group*)

John Brewington is a life-long member of Cherry Hill Presbyterian Church. He was ordained as an Elder at Cherry Hill in 1987 and became a Commissioned Lay Pastor (CRE) in 2009. He was honored to be a part of the African American Conference sponsored by the Office of African American Leadership Development of the Presbyterian Church and to be a presenter at two Christian Education seminars. John loves to participate in bible study; especially adult bible class. He believes that studying the word of God is a fundamental necessity for any Christian striving to strengthen his or her relationship with a loving God. John His interests include model airplanes and military history. John believes that worship and praise of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is worth more than silver and gold to any Christian who lives for Jesus.

# Alternate Commissioners Candidates

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### **TE Sue Lowcock Harris** (*First Presbyterian Church of Howard County*)

TE Sue Lowcock Harris currently serves as co-pastor of The First Presbyterian Church of Howard County. She has been a pastoral member of the Presbytery of Baltimore since 1993 and accepted the call to First of Howard in 2005. An active member of the Presbytery of Baltimore, Sue served on the planning team for the annual Clergy Event and former Big Event series; and, chaired the Personnel Committee. She is currently a member of the Commission on Thriving Congregations' New Worshiping Communities team. She has served at the GA level on the inaugural GA Committee on Representation, and on an Overture Response committee concerning collegiate and young adult ministry strategy. Sue is also the president of the Board of Directors of Bridges to Housing Stability, a HoCo non-profit that works for affordable housing.



### **TE Keith O. Paige** (*Cherry Hill Community Presbyterian Church*)

TE Keith O. Paige has served as the pastor of Cherry Hill Community Presbyterian Church for 17 years. He is a stalwart leader in the Cherry Hill Community and currently serves as President of the Cherry Hill Ministerial Alliance. He has also served as the Chaplain of Southern District Police Station (2016) and a member of the Board of Directors of Cherry Hill's Presbyterian Community Center (2000). Keith received several awards for his community work. During his leisure time he enjoys cycling, reading music and art. His commitment to the wider Church includes services as a commissioner to previous General Assemblies and Synods in the Mid-Atlantic and Mid-Kentucky.



### **RE Carol Mason** (*Maryland Presbyterian Church*)

A retired Baltimore County Public School Librarian, Carol Mason has been a member of Maryland Presbyterian Church since 2009. She served on the church's session in 2010 and became its clerk in 2012. Carol has served on a number of committees within her church, including a New Beginnings committee in 2013; a pastoral Search Committee in 2015, and the Pastor Nominating Committee from 2015-17. She has been an active member of the Presbytery and wider church as well, participating in Uptown Ministry Group's McCabe community summer camp; serving as par of pulpit supply; attending Presbytery gatherings and serving on the planning committee for the 2020 General Assembly. Carol says she enjoys learning about the organization and the history of the Presbyterian Church. | Attending the General Assembly would provide an opportunity to broaden my understanding, while offering a chance to serve my Presbytery. It would also help me to prepare for the 2020 GA.



### **RE Keith Glennan** (*Catonsville Presbyterian Church*)

Keith was ordained as a Ruling Elder in 1988 and served on sessions and as a trustee and commissioner in both Baltimore and San Gabriel presbyteries. Keith's primary areas of focus include stewardship, spiritual formation, mission, and finances. As an Ruling Elder at Catonsville Presbyterian Church, Keith chairs the Finance Committee of Session and is one of the Pledge Secretaries. His commitment to the Presbytery includes six years of service on the Spiritual Leader Development Commission, four of those years as the Commission's chair. Keith also served four years on the Steering Cabinet and is a member of the West Side Story Ministry Group.

# Young Adult Advisory Delegate (YAD)

## **Melissa Courtney, YAD Alternate (*First Presbyterian Church, Cumberland*)**



Melissa Courtney is a lifelong member of First Presbyterian Church of Cumberland and is very involved in the congregation's mission ministry. She has participated in the church's summer lunchbox meal program for children and served five years as a volunteer kindergarten teacher for the Ihanktonwan learning camp on the Yankton Sioux reservation in Marty, South Dakota. Inspired to venture further in her ministry of faith, Melissa will soon depart for a seven week volunteer program in Phnom Penh, Cambodia where she will work for local women's empowerment, rights and aid in building bridges to opportunities. Melissa is incredibly passionate about inclusivity, creating relationships, having the tough conversations and instigating change. She believes that the church has played a tremendous role in her development and would be honored to serve as a Young Adult Advisory Delegate to the 2018 General Assembly.