

Presbytery Highlights September, 16 2008 Pitman, New Jersey

THE REV. DR. DEBORAH BRINCIVALLI was installed as **Executive Presbyter** by the Moderator, The Rev. Lynne Manilla, at a festive worship service at which the Vice Moderator of the 218th General Assembly, Rev. Byron Wade, preached. Among the other participants in the installation were Rev. Clint McCoy, Co-executive, and James Adcock, Debby's husband.

2009 BUDGETS APPROVED: Administrative Budget of \$393,678.
Mission Budget of \$320,471

PASTORAL CHANGES:

Donald McCann was ordained as Minister of Word and Sacrament at the Elmer Church July 6. He received a call as Pastor to Third Creek Presbyterian Church Cleveland, NC

Rev. James Richards was installed as Pastor at First Presbyterian Church of Cape May August 24, 2008.

Rev. Lynne D. Trout called as Pastor, First Church of Delanco,

Rev. Dr. Delrio Ligons-Berry concludes her pastoral work with the congregation of Jethro Memorial Church, Atlantic City.

The Rev. David G. Cassie will be serving as Interim Pastor at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church in Gibraltar from November 1 to December 31.

Rev. Donna Lepsky enrolled as a member of Presbytery; she serves as a hospice chaplain with Vita Hospice in Mt. Laurel, New Jersey.

Rev. Kathleen Chiovitt enrolled as a member of Presbytery; she serves as a chaplain at Ancora Psychiatric Hospital.

Rev. Scott Bullock concluded his work at First Church, Moorestown September 1.

CUBA TRAVELERS COMMISSIONED for a trip to Matanzas Presbytery, Cuba September 29 – October 7: William J. Kelly, Rev. Deborah Brincivalli, James Adcock, Altagracia Carrasquillo, Elizabeth Ann Engelke, Keith Engelke, and Anne L. Holloway.

REPORT OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY COMMISSIONERS

The Revs. Lynne Manilla and John Sheldon and Elders Hank Heidler and Cricket Cohen as well as the YAD delegate, Michael Mishkovsky were the representatives from West Jersey Presbytery to the 218th General Assembly. Elder Heidler reported on the process of General Assembly while Rev. Lynne Manilla reported on the ordination standards and sexuality standards. Elder Cricket Cohen reported on the Form of Government Committee and the Peacemaking and Justice Committee and John Sheldon reported on the other issues that were addressed. Elder Hank Heidler read a report from Michael Mishkovsky who was unable to attend this meeting. All commissioners agreed that attendance at General Assembly is a wonderful experience and encouraged people to volunteer as commissioners.

APPROVED:

- Friendship Church's application to restructure the existing loan and guarantees the repayment of principle and interest on the loan to the Presbyterian Church (USA) in the amount of approximately \$190,000 at a rate of 4.75% for a term of 20 years, with a 20 year amortization. The interest rate will adjust every five years. The monthly payments will be approximately \$1,230.
- Sale of the manse of Trinity Presbyterian Church located at 912 East Tampa Avenue, Cherry Hill, New Jersey for \$245,000.
- Latino New Church Development Grant Application. This will be a joint application between the Presbyteries of West Jersey, New Brunswick and Monmouth.

ELECTIONS

Rev. R. Duncan to the Class of 2011 of the Nominating Committee.

Mission

Class 2010

Paul Tuttle 1st

Class 2011

James Richards 1st

Ministry

Class 2010

Patricia Dahl 1st

New Church Development

Class 2010

Ed Behrens

Sessional Records

Class 2011

Ian Guthrie 1st

MODERATOR APPOINTING TASKFORCES: (1) Atlantic City group to look at the resources of those churches and (2) a task force to look at how to use the resources from the sale of the West Collingswood Church and any other churches that may be sold in the future.