



**Stated Annual Meeting  
Presbytery of Santa Fe  
Saturday-Sunday, October 21-22, 2023  
Ghost Ranch  
Abiquiu, NM**

**To:** All Ministers, Elder Commissioners and Clerks of Session  
**From:** Stephen Rhoades, *Stated Clerk*  
**Re:** Stated Annual Meeting of the Presbytery

**The Stated Annual Meeting of the Presbytery will be held in-person at Ghost Ranch in Abiquiu, starting at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 21st and ending around 12:00 p.m on Sunday, October 22nd.**

**Absences.** Excuses for Ministers, Commissioned Pastors and Certified Christian Educators must be sent to the Stated Clerk or Associate Stated Clerk before the meeting. Elder commissioners who are unable to attend are encouraged to pass their information on to the alternate commissioner(s) from their congregation.

**New Business.** Any new business brought to this meeting, but not on the approved docket, must be submitted to the Stated Clerk, in writing, no later than 11:30 am of the day of the meeting. Any proposed new business will be referred to the New Business Committee for consideration.

**Consent Agenda.** The Consent Agenda will be made available on the presbytery website prior to the meeting. If you wish to pull any items from the Consent Agenda, please let the Stated Clerk know no later than 9 am of the day of the meeting.

**Purpose of the Meeting**

- To approve the Annual Reports and the 2024 Budget.
- To elect and install new leadership for the Presbytery and elect members of Presbytery commissions and committees.
- Welcoming new ministers to the Presbytery and hearing their stories of faith.
- Share in times of fellowship.
- To participate in worship and unite as a body of Christ including a time of remembrance for those who joined the Church Triumphant in the past year.

Yours in Christ,  
Stephen Rhoades  
*Stated Clerk*

**PRESBYTERY OF SANTA FE**  
**PRESBYTERY MEETING INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION**  
**Friday-Sunday, October 20-22, 2023**  
***REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 12th***

### **Schedule**

This meeting is a multi-day event and allows attendees time to enjoy Ghost Ranch. We hope that you will consider attending the full event but understand that many will just attend on Saturday. The schedule is roughly as follows:

- **Friday:** Active pastors are invited to come on Friday and spend Friday afternoon and evening in discussion and fellowship. The cost of staying at the Ranch on Friday night will be free for active pastors, but others can stay Friday night for an additional fee if space is available.
- **Saturday:** Presbytery meeting starting at 10 am and ending in the afternoon. All are invited to stay overnight for a fee. There will be evening vespers and fellowship time.
- **Sunday:** Final meeting items and Closing Worship with the installation of moderator & moderator-elect, necrology, and Communion.

### **Pre-Registration and Fees**

- **Register** online for room reservations and meals at Ghost Ranch by clicking on the link:  
<http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=l4g57icab&oeidk=a07ejzb2xu07993828e>. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email as well as instructions for payment. You can register multiple attendees through the registration link.
- **Rooms:** Please reserve rooms through the Presbytery. Overnight facilities at Ghost Ranch can be a bit rustic and most rooms include bathrooms located away from your sleeping room. The room costs include meals (lunch, dinner and breakfast the next morning). Room reservations options include:
  - Room with shared bath for 1 person: \$145 per night
  - Room with shared bath for 2 people: \$185 per night
  - Room with private bath for 2 people: \$245 per nightDue to the limitations of the facilities, we cannot guarantee a room with a private bath for one person. Those wishing for such accommodations may prefer to make their own arrangements at [Abiquiu Inn](#) or elsewhere in Abiquiu.
- **Meals:** If you will not want a room but will be eating meals, the cost is \$10 for breakfast, \$12 for lunch, and \$14 for dinner. If you are only having meals and not spending the night, we still need you to register so that the kitchen staff can know how many to prepare for.

## **Docket, Reports, Requested Actions and other Papers for the Meeting**

Reports for the meeting will be posted on the [Presbytery website](#) by October 14th under the *Presbytery Meetings* tab. The *draft* docket will be available on the website after October 1st. The final docket will be posted by the evening of October 19th. Please note that there is some access to Wi-Fi at Ghost Ranch, but you may not be able to access the papers online while you are there. Printing or downloading the papers to your device beforehand is advised. *You may request printed material for the meeting by contacting the Presbytery office.*

## **Childcare**

Please contact Tiffany at the Presbytery if childcare is a consideration for you to attend the meeting. Childcare options can vary for this event, so please reach out so that we can discuss what would fit your needs. Tiffany can be reached at 505-688-5182.

## **New Commissioner Orientation**

New Commissioners (as well as experienced commissioners) are encouraged to attend a new commissioner orientation that will be held on Saturday at 9:30 a.m. in Lower Pavilion. If you are a new commissioner, please indicate so during registration.

## **Location Information**

The dress code at Ghost Ranch is casual. Wear something comfortable and definitely bring comfortable shoes since you will be doing quite a bit of walking. The temperature can vary quite a bit. We may have gloriously warm days and cool evenings or we may have snow. So, bring layers so you can be comfortable.

Cell phones do not always work at Ghost Ranch and Internet access is limited. You can give family and friends the number 505-685-1000 ext. 0 in case of an emergency.

Please indicate on the registration form if you have any special needs, such as food allergies. Also indicate if you need a handicapped accessible room. Golf carts (limited number) are available for a rental fee of \$20 per day.

## **Directions to Ghost Ranch**

Ghost Ranch Abiquiu campus is located 65 miles northwest of Santa Fe, (40 miles beyond Española) on U.S. 84. Once in Española continue through town to the Fairview/Riverside intersection. Turn left on Fairview and cross the river; then turn right on Paseo de Oñate (U.S. 84). Once on Highway 84, watch for the Ghost Ranch sign at the entrance gate between mileposts 224 and 225 (approximately 13 miles from Bode's Store in Abiquiu).



### Questions?

Questions regarding meeting items can be directed to Stephen Rhoades at [statedclerk@santafepresbytery.org](mailto:statedclerk@santafepresbytery.org) or 505-235-1551. Questions about registration and accommodations can be directed to Tiffany Lo-Finch at [admin@santafepresbytery.org](mailto:admin@santafepresbytery.org) or 505-688-5182.

**We all look forward to seeing you at this important meeting of our Presbytery.**