

Presbytery of Santa Fe Annual Meeting Information & Registration



Stated Annual Meeting Presbytery of Santa Fe Saturday, October 18, 2025 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 Annual Meeting of the Presbytery will be held in-person at Ghost Ranch, Abiquiu, starting at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 18 and ending around 4:00 pm.

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 11:45am 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 2026 Budget.
- To elect and install new leadership for the Presbytery and elect members of Presbytery commissions and committees.
- To hear reports and approve motions from commissions and committees of the Presbytery.
- To consider ways in which church ministries are transforming.
- 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

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 15th

In order to meet Ghost Ranch's reservation policy, we need all room reservations and an accurate count for lunch by September 15th. So it is important that you register early and ensure you receive a confirmation email after registering.

Schedule

This will be a *one-day* meeting with the option to stay overnight at Ghost Ranch on Friday and/or Saturday night.

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 with worship and installation of officers. All are invited to stay overnight for a fee. There will be fellowship time in the evening.
- Sunday: Morning vespers will be offered and enjoy the Ranch before heading home.

Pre-Registration and Fees

- **Register** online for room reservations and meals at Ghost Ranch by clicking on the link: <https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/ev/reg/q9wuas9>. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email. Instructions regarding payment will be sent to you by email in late September.
- **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. A communal bath is dorm style and participants exit their room to reach these facilities. A shared bath is between two rooms that is shared by the occupants of the two rooms. The room costs include meals (lunch, dinner and breakfast the next morning). Room reservations options include:
 - Room with communal bath for 1 person: \$135 per night
 - Room with shared bath for 1 person: \$190 per night
 - Room with shared bath for 2 people: \$230 per night
 - Room with private bath for 2 people: \$270 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.
- **Lunch:** If you will not want a room but will be eating lunch on Saturday, the cost is \$12 for lunch. We still need you to register so that the kitchen staff can know how many to prepare for. Cash or check will be accepted at the door, or you can pay in advance [through this link](#).

REGISTER for the Meeting

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

Reports for the meeting will be posted on the [Presbytery website](#) by October 13th under the *Presbytery Meetings* tab. [The draft docket is available here.](#) The final docket will be posted before the meeting. 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 by September 15th 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 505-345-5657.

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.

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 or 505-235-1551. Questions about registration and accommodations can be directed to Tiffany Lo-Finch at admin@santafepresbytery.org or 505-688-5182.

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



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