

The theme for the 2025 Presbytery Gatherings
“Vitality: In Christ is Life, and Life Abundant”

2025 Commissioners to Presbytery with Voice and Vote

- All Ministers of the Word and Sacraments of Presbytery of Los Ranchos
- All Commissioned Pastors (CRE) of Presbytery of Los Ranchos
- Ruling Elders elected or assigned by their Session for the current year according to the Stated Clerk's Equalization Report approved at the February Presbytery meeting.
- Ruling Elders on Council
- Ruling Elders on Trustees
- Certified Educators, if Ruling Elders, otherwise voice only, and only during their term of service in an educational ministry under the jurisdiction of the Presbytery.
- New Worshiping Community (NWC) Pioneer Leaders, voice only
- All others must sign in as “Guests” or “Corresponding Members.” If you are not sure of your status, please check with your Pastor or Clerk of Session. If you have questions, please call Carol Bridgeman at 714-956-3691, ext 125.

Information for Commissioners – In-person meetings

Please register online while the registration is open. You will be asked to indicate your status (commissioner, corresponding member, guest). You may order a boxed meal (suggested donation is to cover the cost, but please do not let the cost deter you as there are funds to help subsidize this cost for our Gatherings). We will not be handling cash or conducting credit card transactions at the meeting.

Check-in for the Presbytery Meeting will start 30 minutes prior to the meeting time. Printed name tags will be available at check-in for all registered attendees. Please download and/or print a copy of the Presbytery Packet in advance (there will be no printed packets available at the meeting).

Guidelines for Participating in Presbytery Meetings

1. When speaking, please address the Moderator and not the body.
2. Introduce yourself by stating your name and your church.
3. Only enrolled commissioners are authorized to vote on issues (see first section above).
NWC Pioneer Leaders and Corresponding members are entitled to address the Presbytery.
4. Please leave your badge at the registration area when you leave the Gathering.

If you would like to join the email distribution list for presbytery information, please send your email/contact information to Debbie Haley at dhaley@losranchos.org. For information about the Presbytery, events, and Presbytery meetings, please visit our website at www.losranchos.org.

2025 Presbytery Gatherings

Saturday, February 22 – St. Peter's-by-the-Sea, Huntington Beach
Thursday, June 5 – Shepherd's Grove, Irvine
Thursday, September 18 – Orange Canaan, Santa Ana
Saturday, November 15 – Placentia Presbyterian

Information for Commissioners -Electronic Meetings

Please join the business meeting up to 1 hour in advance. This will allow the hosts to make sure that all connections are working. Once you enter the meeting, please click on the arrow near your name and select “Rename.” Please rename yourself as follows:

First and Last Name (TE or RE) – Name of Church

For example: John Smith (RE) – First Presbyterian Church of Anaheim

All participants will be placed on mute for the duration of the meeting. The host will unmute you once you’ve clicked on “Raise Hand,” and the moderator has called on you to speak.

Korean Translation services will be available by phone, and the connection information will be sent with the Zoom login details on the morning of the meeting.

Obtaining recognition in order to speak

When you join the meeting, please click the “participants” tab at the bottom of your Zoom window. Doing this will show a list of those who are present in the meeting. It will also give you a “Raise Hand” button at the bottom of the panel.

You will be muted by default. If you want to speak to a motion, please click on the “Raise Hand” button in your participants list. The moderator will see the names of those who have raised their hands in the order that they clicked (your list will not necessarily appear in the same order). The moderator will call on the next person to speak to the motion and then unmute that person.

If you are calling in using a touch-tone phone (as a last resort), you can raise your virtual hand by dialing *9 during the call. The moderator will see that you are seeking to address the body.

NOTE: Please do not lower your hand. The moderator will lower it for you at the right time.

If you would like to join the email distribution list for presbytery information, please send your email/contact information to Debbie Haley at dhaley@losranchos.org. For information about the Presbytery, events and Presbytery meetings, please visit our website at www.losranchos.org.