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From: Barry Parks, Temporary Stated Clerk

RE: Special Meeting on July 30, 2024

I am writing to announce that the Moderator has called a Special Meeting on July 30, 2024 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The purpose of this special meeting is to receive the report of the Strategic Plan Review Task Force and act on their recommendations. The meeting will be at First Church Richmond, 4602 Cary Street Rd, Richmond, VA 23226 and it will be a hybrid meeting. Because of the scope of this issue we strongly encourage in-person attendance.

Registration will open on Tuesday, July 16, on the POJ website at:

<https://www.presbyteryofthejames.com/stated-meetings-poj/>

I want to be clear about why we are meeting at a different location and at a different time than was reported in the packet for our meeting of June 18, 2024. As you may know, the Fairfield church was not able to host the meeting, and we are very thankful that First Richmond has stepped forward to do so. In order for them to be able to provide the staffing support that we need for this meeting, we had to move the meeting time up to 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. We are truly grateful that the leadership and staff are able to host this meeting, and I want to publicly thank them for all of their hard work to make this happen!

I also want to let you know that there will also be another Special Meeting on August 15, 2024, to receive a report from the Commission on Ministry about minimum terms of call and act on their recommendations. That meeting will be Zoom-only. More information about that meeting will be announced by the end of July.

As you know, our office is in a transitional period as we look to replace our Associate for Communications, and we kindly ask for your patience and grace. Due to limited administrative staff, we will not be able to provide the same level of support as in the past. We appreciate your understanding and continued prayers during this transition.

If you have any questions about either of these meetings, please contact me at [statedclerk@presbyteryofthejames.org](mailto:statedclerk@presbyteryofthejames.org)

Thank you!

Grace and peace,

Barry Parks  
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