

BLACKHAWK PRESBYTERY

Roll Call: November 18, 2025 Presbytery Meeting (In Person and on Zoom)

	CHURCH	PASTOR(S)	PRESENT	ELDER COMMISSIONER	
1	Aurora Second			1	
2	Bolingbrook, First of DuPage	Rev. KJ Norris	PRESENT	1	
3	Braidwood First	Pastor Dale Tolly, CP	ABSENT	1	
4	Caledonia, Willow Creek	Rev. Lauren Patrus-Betzel	PRESENT	1	
5	Coal City, New Hope	Rev. Janet Chandler	PRESENT	1	
6	Crystal Lake, Ridgefield			1	
7	Dakota, Community			1	
8	DeKalb, Westminster	Rev. Clinton Roberts	PRESENT	1	David Ballentine
9	Dixon, First	Rev. Nikelle Johnson	PRESENT	1	David Badger
10	Earlville, United	Pastor Laurie Walker, CP	PRESENT	1	
11	Elgin, First	Rev. Rothea Kornelius	PRESENT	1	
12	Elizabeth, Schapville Zion	Pastor Dorothy Morizzo, CP	PRESENT	1	
13	Elmira, United			1	
14	Elwood Community	Pastor Mike Engle, CP	PRESENT	1	Scott Wallace
15	Fairbury, First	Pastor Alan Willadsen, CP*	PRESENT	1	
16	Franklin Grove, First	Pastor Jack Briggs, CP	ABSENT	1	
17	Fulton	Rev. David Spaulding	PRESENT	1	
18	Fulton, Garden Plain			1	
19	Galena, First	Rev. James McCrea	PRESENT	1	Kathy Pearson
20	Gardner, Church of Hope	Rev. Janet Chandler	PRESENT	1	
21	Geneva, Fox Valley	Rev. Michelle Hwang	PRESENT	1	Linda Caine
22	Hanover, United			1	
23	Harvard, First	Pastor Claire Brennecka, CP	PRESENT	1	Helen Anderson
24	Henry, First	Rev. Canessa Lagan	PRESENT	1	Tammy Panier
25	Joliet, First	Rev. Bo Mircea	PRESENT	1	
26	Joliet, Westminster	Pastor Karen Williams, CP	ABSENT	1	Douglas Webb
27	Kewanee, First			1	Bill Scott
28	LaRose, Crow Meadow			1	
29	Manteno, Community	Pastor Paul Koch, CP	PRESENT	1	
30	Marengo, First	Rev. Karen Schlack	ABSENT	1	
31	McHenry, Faith	Rev. Rich Davis	ABSENT	1	
32	Mendota, First	Pastor Laurie Walker, CP	PRESENT	1	
33	Morris, First	Rev. James Friesen	ABSENT	1	
34	Morrison, First	Rev. Dr. Michael Selburg	PRESENT	1	
35	New Lenox, Central	Pastor Chrystal Abbott, CP	PRESENT	1	
36	Oswego	Rev. Dr. Richard Shaffer	PRESENT	1	
37	Ottawa, First	Rev. John Walker	PRESENT	1	Ron Koestler
38	Paw Paw, First			1	
39	Piper City, First	Pastor Ray Lantz, CP	PRESENT	1	Jason Angus
40	Plainfield, Wheatland United	Pastor Chuck Johnson, CP	ABSENT	1	
41	Pontiac, First	Pastor JD Buchenau, CP	ABSENT	1	

42	Princeton, First United	Pastor Colleen Lawrence, CP	PRESENT	1	Karl Schultz
43	Rochelle, First			1	John Haselton
44	Rockford, Second/First	Rev. Martha Langford	PRESENT	1	Terry Mohaupt
45	Rockford, Third	Rev. Stephen Bowie	PRESENT	1	Dan Chiodini
46	Rockford, Westminster	Pastor Gretchen Hammeke, CP	PRESENT	1	Jean Lisk
47	Romeoville, United	Pastor Sandra Cummins, CP	ABSENT	1	
48	Sandwich, Federated			1	
49	Savanna, First	Rev. Gary Panetta	PRESENT	1	
50	Shannon, Prairie Dell			1	
51	Somonauk, United			1	
52	St. Anne, First			1	
53	Sterling, First	Rev. Katie Ricks	PRESENT	1	Diana Day-Schreiner
54	Streator, Park United	Rev. Caleb Suydam	PRESENT	1	
55	Utica, Waltham			1	Karen Pillion
56	Waterman			1	
57	Watseka, First			1	
58	Wilmington, First			1	
59	Winnebago, First	Rev. Lisa Lopez-Meyer	PRESENT	1	Sue Jansen
60	Winnebago, Middle Creek	Pastor Phil Thompson	ABSENT	1	
61	Woodstock, First	Rev. Eric Corbin	PRESENT	1	Raymond Thuma
62	Yorkville, Au Sable Grove	Rev. Jenny Hubbard	PRESENT	1	Francine Konow

* Laboring within our bounds, non-voting

↑ eligible voting commissioners

OTHER TEACHING ELDERS ATTENDING:

Rev. David Jones

Rev. Randy Nicholas

Rev. Spencer Lawrence

Rev. Murray Hanson

Rev. Deborah Roberts

Rev. Barbara Bundick

Rev. David Smazik

PRESBYTERY STAFF:

Rev. Eric Heinekamp, General Presbyter, Stated Clerk

PRESENT

Jeannette Sheehan, Office Administrator

PRESENT

Dorene Tieche, Recording Secretary

PRESENT

Rev. Dr. David Spaulding, Associate Stated Clerk

PRESENT

Alan Willadsen, Treasurer

PRESENT

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Aletha Engel

Elwood Community - Mike Engel's wife

Danny Pierce

Stronghold

Ryan Anderson

Stronghold

Ruth Ann Scott

Kewanee First

Mary Beth Wise-Gratz

Caledonia Willow Creek

Ron Pearson

Galena First

Ed Voss

Church of Hope - Gardner

Derek Sherman

Rockford Westminster, Synod Rep

Mary Ellen Shine

Ridgefield, Crystal Lake

Loreen Stravers

Dekalb Westminster

Sara Dingman

SOLT Executive

TOTAL ATTENDING: 74

VOTING MEMBERS ATTENDING: 59