

Agenda for Meeting of Classis Georgetown

Thursday, February 20, 2025

Registration begins at 3:45 PM; Meeting begins at 4:00 PM

Location: Georgetown CRC, 6475 40th Ave, Hudsonville, MI 49426

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Rev. Jeffery Scripps, President

Rev. Cody Zuiderveen, Vice President

Theme: *Healthy Leaders*

We equip leaders to transform lives and communities.

1) We Gather Together

- a. Welcome
- b. Devotions: Rev. Cody Zuiderveen
- c. Roll Call: All delegates are asked to sign the Covenant for Officebearers as they register.
- d. Classis Credentials Committee: Hillcrest CRC and Searchlight Ministries

2) We Hear About the Work and Ministry of Our Classis Representatives

- a. Council of Delegates: Mrs. Jeanne Kallemeyn
- b. Classical Ministry Leadership Team: Rev. Jeffery Scripps
- c. Regional Pastors: Rev. Stan Drenth & Rev. Marc Nelesen
 - Clergy Health and Flourishing Initiative: Rev. Jeffery Scripps
Two motions from the initiative were tabled at the October 20, 2024, Classis Meeting. The Vision Team, along with the Classis Treasurer, were directed to bring a revised version of Recommendations 2 and 3 to the February Classis Meeting.

Recommendation #2 – That Classis Georgetown encourage ongoing growth by financially supporting pastors pursuing conferences, seminars, or coaching and do so annually by providing up to \$2,500 in matching funds after a congregation's \$2,500 annual investment in their pastor's ongoing growth. The congregation must reach a "deductible" of \$2,500 before Classis matches the fund.

MOTION: To approve this recommendation

Recommendation #3 – That Classis Georgetown supports sabbatical funding for learning and growing opportunities up to \$2,500 after a congregation has invested \$3,500 toward its pastor's sabbatical. The congregation must reach a "deductible" of \$3,500 before Classis provides support.

MOTION: To approve this recommendation

- d. Youth Champion: Fig VanderMolen
- e. Prayer for the work and ministry of our representatives

3) We Work Together

- a) Prayer for the election of delegates/alternates to Synod 2025.
- b) Election of Classis Georgetown delegates/alternates to Synod 2025
(meeting June 13-19, 2025, at Redeemer University, Ancaster, ON)

4) We Hear About the Work and Ministry of Our Classis Leaders

- a. Stated Clerk/Vision Team Report: Mrs. Glenda Tebben
 - Church Visitors: Rev. Sam Krikke
- b. Treasurer's Report: Mr. Mel VanderBie
- c. Bunk Bed Ministry: Rev. Doug Kamstra (on behalf of the Community Relationships Team at Georgetown CRC)
- d. Prayer for the work and ministry of our Classis Leaders

DINNER and FELLOWSHIP

- 5) **We Learn Together:** *Faithful Leadership in Anxious Times*, Rev. Norm Thomasma
Rev. Norm Thomasma has served as a pastor and as an educator and interventionist for Pastor Church Relations in our denomination prior to his retirement. He continues to serve as a Transitional Minister and savors home projects and the outdoors.

6) We Are Sent Together

Closing Prayer and Benediction

Classis Georgetown is a community of Christian Reformed Churches in Eastern Ottawa County who live and minister together, in Christ, to transform lives and communities.

Future meeting dates of Classis Georgetown:

- **Thursday, May 15, 2025**
- **Thursday, October 16, 2025**