Agenda for Meeting of Classis Georgetown

Thursday, October 29, 2026

Registration – 4:00 PM; Meeting Time - 4:15 PM

Location:

Cottonwood Church - 1101 Cypress Dr, Jenison, MI 49428

Please enter through Door B

Rev. Jeremy Rhodes, President

Rev. Cory Nederveld, Vice President

Value: **Daring Hospitality**

We welcome the stranger in ways that transform lives and communities.

1) **Welcome and Devotions**
   a) Welcome to delegates and guests
   b) Preview of the evening's format
   c) Opening Devotions led by Rev. Matthew Wright

2) **Constitution of Classis by the chair, Rev. Jeremy Rhodes**
   a) Roll Call; ALL delegates are asked to sign the Covenant for Officebearers in the Christian Reformed Church as they register.
   b) Credentials Committee report: The Refuge and Zutphen CRC

3) **Classis Work**

   A. "Greetings" Video from Rev. Zachary King (General Secretary, CRCNA)

   B. Motion from Evergreen Ministries
   MOTION: Evergreen Ministries moves that when a church in Classis Georgetown attaches a statement either in support of or opposed to women in church office, Classis Georgetown follow the lead of Synod and, while recording the statements for protest or affirmation in the minutes, read the statement that Synod 2023 approved.

   C. Reports from classis leaders:
      a) Vision Team Report: Rev. Jeremy Rhodes
         i. The Vision Team asks Classis to elect a new steward to serve on the Vision Team.
      b) Stated Clerk Report: Mrs. Glenda Tebben
         i. MOTION: Classis Georgetown recognizes that Rev. George Cooper, following his desire to resign as emeritus minister of the Word in the CRCNA, no longer retains the title of Minister of the Word in the CRCNA nor the authority to perform official acts of ministry in the CRCNA.
         ii. MOTION: To approve the work of the Stated Clerk
      c) Treasurer's Report/2027 Budget presentation: Mrs. Kathy Jelsema
         i. MOTION: To approve the Classis Georgetown 2027 budget.
         ii. MOTION: To approve the work of the treasurer
      d) Prayer for the work and ministry of our Classis Leaders

D. Reports from classis representatives:
   a) Council of Delegates: Mrs. Jeanne Kallemeyn
   b) Thrive Update: Ms. Idella Winfield
   c) Classical Ministry Leadership Team: Rev. Jeffery Scripps
   d) Church Visitors report: Rev. Jeffery Scripps
   e) Regional Pastors' report: Rev. Gerry Koning
   f) Youth Champion report: Mr. Fig VanderMolen
   g) Synod 2026 report: Mr. Brandon Seaver
   h) Prayer for the work and ministry of our Classis Representatives

E. Classis Voting:
   a) Election of single nominee to the Council of Delegates
   b) Election of a new steward to serve on the Vision Team

4) **We Share Dinner Fellowship**

5) **Classis Restructuring:** Rev. Cory Nederveld
   A task force has been appointed to review the current classis structure and to make recommendations about potential classis realignment.

6) **Church Planting:** Rev. Mark Elffers
   In response to Synod 2025, the agencies and institutions of the CRCNA collaborated to develop a comprehensive ten-year church planting strategy. Between June 2025 and April 2026, leaders from across the denomination worked together on this effort, culminating in the presentation of the plan by Resonate's Director of Church Planting, Tim Sheridan. Synod 2026 adopted the plan with unanimous support.

7) **Closing Prayer and Benediction:** Rev. Jeremy Rhodes

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.

Next meeting: Thursday, February 25, 2027, held at (host church still needed)
***Agenda Deadline:* January 11, 2027**
Credentials Committee: Fairway CRC and First Hudsonville CRC

Following meeting, Thursday, May 6, 2027, Zutphen CRC