

MODERATOR OF THE 2019 GENERAL ASSEMBLY The Rev. Amanda Currie, B.A.Sc., M.Div.

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World Council of Churches 11th Assembly - 2021

Greetings Clerks of Presbytery:

The World Council of Churches (WCC) will hold its 11th Assembly from September 8–15, 2021 in Karlsruhe, Germany. The Assembly is the WCC's highest governing body that meets every 7 to 8 years. It will meet under the theme of "Christ's Love Moves the World to Reconciliation and Unity".

Assembly Delegate

The Presbyterian Church in Canada is invited to send one Assembly Delegate based upon our membership. The Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations Committee is responsible for appointing this person.

The Committee is seeking applications of individuals from across the church for the appointment of a delegate. Please find attached an application form. This form is available on the church's website, https://presbyterian.ca/wcc-11th-assembly.

Applications must be submitted to the General Assembly Office by December 15, 2019.

Additional Delegates

The WCC is also inviting member churches to suggest individuals who might be considered as Additional Delegates. These delegates will be appointed by the WCC "to strengthen the diversity of the Assembly, and ensure fair and adequate representation of lay persons, Indigenous peoples and differently-abled people and balance of men, women, and young people as well as persons with expertise particularly relevant for the Assembly."

The Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations Committee may also submit names for the WCC to consider appointing as additional delegates. This will be done from the applications submitted.

Other Participants Attending

There will be opportunities for other participants to attend the Assembly. Three such groups are:

- Stewards who are young people who serve at governing body meeting.
- The Global Ecumenical Theological Institute (GETI) which is a program for seminary students.
- Resource people who are invited directly by the WCC.

Information about these categories will be circulated when they come available.

Visitors are welcome to attend at their own initiative and cost. Information concerning visitors will be on the WCC's website.

You may go to the WCC's website oikoumene.org/en for more information about the Council, its ministry and the forthcoming Assembly.

Please remember the staff of the WCC as they prepare for the 11th Assembly and for their current programs.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

With blessings,

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Clerks of Assembly: The Rev. Stephen Kendall and The Rev. Donald Muir