

Installation of Presbytery Stated Clerk

March 25, 2025

Moderator:

Members of Geneva Presbytery, please remain muted when responding to the constitutional question posed to you by using a nonverbal, visual sign to show your affirmation: the thumbs up sign, the clapping sign, or simply wave or clap your hands on camera to show your enthusiastic support for your re-elected Presbytery officer.

We are called by God to be the church of Jesus Christ, a sign in the world today of what God intends for all humankind.

The call of Christ is to willing, dedicated discipleship. Our discipleship is a manifestation of the new life symbolized in our baptism. Discipleship is both a gift and a commitment, an offering and a responsibility. At this time, Amy Loving Austin will be installed as the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Geneva, to serve a 3-year term.

Amy, the grace bestowed on you in baptism is sufficient for your calling because it is God's grace. By God's grace we are saved, and enabled to grow in the faith and to commit our lives in ways which serve Christ. God has called you, Amy, to serve as Stated Clerk of Geneva Presbytery. Please be sure you are unmuted and show your purpose by answering these questions.

Who is your Lord and Savior?

Amy:

Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.

Moderator:

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his word and showing his love?

Amy:

I will, with God's help.

Moderator:

Do you welcome the responsibility of this service because you are determined to follow the Lord Jesus, to love neighbors, and to work for the reconciling of the world?

Amy:

I do.

Moderator:

Will you serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love, relying on God's mercy and rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit?

Amy:

I will, with God's help.

Moderator:

Do you, members of Geneva Presbytery, confirm the call of God to our sibling, Amy Loving Austin as Geneva Presbytery's Stated Clerk, in the service of Jesus Christ? If so, please show a *visual* sign of affirmation.

Presbytery: (show signs of affirmation)

Moderator:

Will you support and encourage Amy in her ministry? If so, please, once again, show a sign of affirmation.

Presbytery: (show signs of affirmation)

Moderator:

Let us pray. Faithful God, in baptism you claimed us; and by your Holy Spirit you are working in our lives, empowering us to live a life worthy of our calling. We thank you for leading Amy to this time and place. Establish her in your truth, and guide her by your Holy Spirit, that in your service she may grow in faith, hope, and love, and be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen

Now, may the God of peace make you holy in every way, and keep your whole being, spirit, soul, and body, free from every fault at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amy Loving Austin, you are now installed to service as the Stated Clerk of Geneva Presbytery. Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God through him. Amen.