

GUIDELINES AND HONORARIA FOR PULPIT SUPPLY & MODERATING SESSION

Effective January 1, 2026

For the congregations of Presbytery of Tampa Bay, the following is recommended:

- A pulpit supply list is approved and maintained by the COM. Members of the Presbytery of Tampa Bay may request to be placed on the Pulpit Supply List. Members of other presbyteries or other denominations must be interviewed and approved by the COM and shall be given a background check and Executive Presbyter reference check. The pulpit supply list will be available by contacting the Presbytery Office. A Session may choose supply ministers who are not on the pulpit supply list; however only Teaching Elder members of Presbytery may serve communion.
- A Session may have a minister serve as pulpit supply for 3 consecutive weeks. If additional is required, the Session shall request the permission of the Regional COM.
- In a pastoral vacancy, the Regional COM shall appoint a Moderator of the Session.
- Those appointed Moderator of a Session within the bounds of the Presbytery will receive support and instruction from the Chair of COM or the Regional Chair.
- Honorarium for Serving as Moderator of Session (by appointment of the COM) is \$125 plus mileage at the current IRS rate per stated meeting and any special called meeting (this includes a congregational meeting).
- Honorarium for Pulpit Supply: \$225 for a single worship service and \$100 for each additional worship service on a single Sunday plus mileage is reimbursed at the current IRS rate.

Approved by the Commission on Ministry on September 15, 2025