INTERIM REPORT OF THE CALVIN LINDEN ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION TO THE PRESBYTERY OF NORTHEAST NEW JERSEY FEBRUARY 21, 2023

The Administrative Commission of the Calvin Linden Presbyterian Church has met nine times since October of 2022. Seven of those meetings have been over zoom and two of those meetings have been with members of the Congregation. The second meeting was held on Sunday, January 15, 2023 following the 10 AM worship service. Members who were unable to attend in person had the ability to participate online.

The Administrative Commission is working alongside, in conjunction with the Congregation to discern their future. Over the years, the Slovak population of the Community, which was the mainstay of the Linden Calvin Presbyterian Church has changed. Membership at Linden Calvin has declined, with long time members retiring and moving away and in other cases, passing away.

The Administrative Commission is in the process of receiving and reviewing current financial reports, including contributions and expenses, current membership roles and possible opportunities for the church in the future.

An invitation has been sent to Clerk of Session, Anne Kenderes, for a third, in person meeting with the Congregation, either on Monday night, February 27 or Tuesday night, February 28, 2023, at 7:30 PM. Online opportunities would also be made available. The purpose of this meeting would be to bring the Congregation up to date on the work of the Administrative Commission and to begin to lay the groundwork for the final, closing worship service at Calvin Linden.

We, as the Administrative Commission covet the prayers of the Presbytery as we journey alongside the members of Calvin Linden Presbyterian Church as we discern the journey together.

Elder Linda Macari, Rev. Dan Martian, and Elder Skip Winter