RETIRED MINISTERS OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Because the General Synod did not meet in 2020, it was not able to take action to recognize those ministers of Word and sacrament who retired from active service in 2019. Thus, those who retired during both 2019 and 2020 are presented here for the General Synod to show its appreciation for their faithful service.

During 2019, 37 ministers of Word and sacrament retired from active service, and during 2020, 34 ministers of Word and sacrament retired from active service. Those who retired are being recognized by General Synod through its endorsement of appreciation for their years of faithful and dedicated ministry in the church.

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To adopt the following resolution:

These individuals have loved Christ and fed his sheep. They have devoted themselves to spreading the Word and equipping the saints for the work of ministry.

Their contribution to a needy world is rich beyond measure; their record is on high.

The Reformed Church in America, with admiration, deep affection, and overflowing thanks to God, celebrates their lifelong service.

2019 retirements

Timothy Alicki
Holland, Michigan

John Allen
Ewing, New Jersey

Beryl Banks
Gold River, California

Mark Bergsma
Kentwood, Michigan

Eric Boon
Mayville, Wisconsin

Peggy Byland
Traverse City, Michigan

Russell Camp
Kalamazoo, Michigan

Steven DeLoof
Holland, Michigan
Karla Diserens
Tuckahoe, New York

Alan Folkert
Zeeland, Michigan

Verlyn Hemmen
Eagan, Minnesota

Donald Heringa
Wingdale, New York

Richard Heusinkveld
Greenville, Michigan

Charles Higgins
Andover, New Jersey

Robert Hoffman
Berne, New York

Taylor Holbrook
Hopewell Junction, New York

Lary Jackson
Spring Lake, Michigan

Debra Jameson
Schenectady, New York

Charles Kleinhesselink
Everson, Washington

James Knol
Warwick, New York

David Martin
Edison, New Jersey

Michael Moran
New Milford, Connecticut

Benjamin Byoung Eun Park
Aurora, Colorado

Walter Pickup
Apple Valley, Minnesota
Ronald Sanford
Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Philip Schuiling
Aurora, Colorado

Robert Schuller
Newport Beach, California

David Schwabauer
Niles, Michigan

Michael Scott
Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Cora Taitt
Bronx, New York

Dawn Vagle
Holland, Michigan

Thomas VandeBerg
Altoona, Iowa

William Van Herk
Vancouver, Washington

Cornelis Van Kempen
Holland, Michigan

Eugene Voss
Zeeland, Michigan

Paul Wernlund
Holland, Michigan

Richard Weyer
Forked River, New Jersey

2020 retirements

Ann Akers
Port Jervis, New York

Steve Bierly
Zeeland, Michigan

Glen Blumer
Norwalk, Iowa
Duane Brown
Jacksonville, Florida

Timothy Brown
Holland, Michigan

Richard DeBruyne
Redlands, California

Raymond Dekker
Fremont, Michigan

Joyce de Velder
Gansevoort, New York

EJ de Waard
Wainfleet, Ontario

Douglas Dobbie
Prairie City, Iowa

Gail Ebersole
Aurora, Colorado

Douglas Freeman
Richardson, Texas

Susan Hetrick
Phoenix, Arizona

Margaret Hoekstra
Holland, Michigan

Norma Hook
Zeeland, Michigan

Carolyn Keith
Brewster, Massachusetts

Kenneth Kobza
Centennial, Colorado

Cornelis Kors
Seal Beach, California

Carolyn Lewis
Ravena, New York
Daniel Meeter
New Paltz, New York

Melody Meeter
New Paltz, New York

Michael Molenaar
Spirit Lake, Iowa

German Moreno
Lake Worth, Florida

William Morris
Wellston, Michigan

Thomas Ondra
Phoenix, Arizona

A. Eugene Pearson
Lakewood, Colorado

David Poppen
Boyden, Iowa

Peter Sanfilippo Jr.
Staten Island, New York

Edward Schmidt
Holland, Michigan

Gerald Sittser Jr.
Spokane, Washington

Donald Stager
New Brunswick, New Jersey

Gregory Ten Brink
Holland, Michigan

Mark Vellinga
Orange City, Iowa

Cary Winn
Rockford, Illinois