



# The Synod of the Covenant

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

## Synod Highlights – The Commissioner Orientation

We gathered with 20 commissioners, the Administrative Commission (AC) to the Synod members, and many EPs and Stated Clerks from throughout the Synod on Thursday January 7, 2021. Although we were present via Zoom meeting room, we still made connections.

The gathering began welcome and greetings from Elona Street-Stewart, a member of the AC and co-moderator of the General Assembly. The evening worship offered a space of comfort and hope in the midst of challenges and struggles in faith.

Each participant in the gathering received a “Star Word” for a group activity. We broke into small groups to share our words and reflections on how those words may guide us into 2021.

Our interim executive Chip Hardwick shared a powerful presentation providing definition and clarification of our synod. This laid a beautiful foundation for the gathering to consider the invitation to the Ministry Focus Ad Hoc Team, which will present recommendations to future Commissioner Meetings.