

AGENDA
CLASSIS BCNW, Session 93
March 3, 2026



Our Mission

Classis BCNW exists to encourage, equip, and empower congregations and ministries to bear witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ and seek first God's Kingdom.

The Values that Shape our Work, Witness, and Life Together

Prayerful Dependence on God: Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we trust God to lead and provide for us as we engage in ministry together.

Authentic Community: Intentionally sharing life and story, we build each other up and encourage one another to live lives worthy of the calling we've received.

Disciples Making New Disciples: Recognizing that the church's main calling is to make disciples of Jesus, we encourage one another, our congregations, and the ministries we represent to be faithful to God's mission and creative in living it out

Leadership Development: Through funding, training and support, we develop, commission, and equip new and existing leaders.

Covenantal Relationships: Committing ourselves to each other as God has committed himself to us, we support the work of classis and the ministry of the CRCNA.

SCHEDULE

Classis BCNW will meet by way of Zoom Conferencing on Tuesday March 3, 2026, beginning at 1PM.

Executive:

Rev. Joel Ringma, President / Rev. Willem Delleman, Vice President
Rev. Jesse Pals, Recording Clerk, / Andy DeRuyter, Stated Clerk

Classis Committees

Credentials Pre-Advice Committee: Stated Clerk & Classical Interim Committee
Expense Advisory Committee: Classical Interim Committee
Overture Advisory Committee: n/a
Synodical Deputies: Rev. Wout Brouwer, BCSE
Rev. Gary van Leeuwen, Alb S / Sask.
Rev. Harrison Newhouse Lake Superior

Agenda notes

The agenda for this meeting of Classis BCNW can be found on the following pages. Please note that the links for documents under each article will take you too the [\(Classis Google Drive\)](#) where you can find the doc under the relevant tab.

Delegates as per Classical Credentials

CHURCH	DELEGATE 1	DELEGATE 2
1. Burnaby – Nelson Ave Burnaby – Vancouver Dream Church	Rev. J. Schouten Rev. Alex Park	Elder Larry Asselstein
2. Burnaby – New Westminster CRC Burnaby – My Beloved Church	Rev. Andrew Beunk Rev. Peter Oh	Elder Marianne VanDelft
3. Duncan CRC	Pastor Dan Schultz	Elder Affie Duifhuis
4. Houston CRC	Rev. Martin Vellekoop	Elder Terry McMurtrie
5. Maple Ridge CRC	Deacon Robin de Haan	Elder Andrea Drummond
6. Nanaimo CCC	Elder Jonathan Christie	Elder Rick Brink
7. Port Alberni CRC	Elder Colin Banks	
8. Prince George CRC	Rev. Paul DeWeerd	Elder Willem Van Delft
9. Richmond Immanuel CRC	Pastor Canaan Ee	Elder James Shao
10. Richmond Tap Network	Rev. Jesse Pals	Rev. Jenn Richards
11. Smithers CRC	Rev. Brian Schouten	Elder Mark Walker
12. Telkwa CC	Elder John Wisselink	Deacon Karl Oosterhoff
13. Terrace CRC	Rev. Joel Ringma	Elder Jakob Kort
14. Vancouver First	Rev. Trevor Vanderveen	Elder David Bacon
15. Victoria CC	Rev. Willem Delleman	Elder Jason Takeda
16. Victoria CRC	Rev. Stanley Groothof	Elder Keith Gerrard

Agenda

Prayerful Dependence on God

Time	Article
1:00 PM	1. Welcome of delegates – Rev. Joel Ringma
	2. Opening Devotions and prayer
1:25	3. Confirmation of attendance – Stated Clerk
	3.1 Affirmation of Covenant of Office Bearers for first time delegates to Classis - Classis google drive

Authentic Community

1:35	4. Time of Sharing and community – Rev. Willem Delleman Delegates will be taken to breakout rooms of 5 to 6 for a time of sharing on how councils can encourage new leaders to come forward and serve as elders and deacons, followed by a time of prayer for the churches in each group.
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5-minute stretch break

2:15	5. Opening of the Agenda Affirmation of Reformed Doctrine and Life (Classis Google Drive) Credentials Committee report – Stated Clerk
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Classical Committees

2:25	6. Classis Committee Reports Classical Interim Committee (Classis Google Drive) Motion to approve the work of the CIC Stated Clerk (Classis Google Drive) Motion to approve the work of the Stated Clerk Classical Nominations Committee (Classis Google Drive) Motion to approve the work of the Nominations Committee Church Visiting Reports (and a new 2026 to 2028 schedule) - two church visits reports are in the (Classis Google Drive) Church Counsellors Reports Regional Pastor reports Oversight Committee reports
3:00	7. Commissioned Pastor Job Description – Synodical Deputies Present 7.1 Vancouver Dream Church has submitted for approval a Commissioned Pastor Job description (Classis Google Drive) 7.2 Report: Vancouver Dream Church 7.3 Motion: that the job description submitted by Vancouver Dream Church be declared consistent with the office of Commissioned pastor under C.O Art 23 Synodical deputy concurrence needed

- 7.4 **Motion:** that a learning plan be developed in consultation with the CIC and Vancouver Dream Church for the candidate for this position, to prepare him/her for the examination at a future Classis meeting.

3:25

Calling of a Pastor under C.O. 12c – Synodical Deputies Present

- 8.0 The Tapestry Network seeks approval to call Rev. Tom Bomhof to serve as the Lead Campus Pastor at Elim Village in Surrey B.C. under C.O. 12C
Synodical deputy concurrence needed
All docs under the Tom Bomhof tab on the [\(Classis Google Drive\)](#)

3:45

20-minute Break

Covenantal Relationships and Disciples making new Disciples
Ministry Reports and Presentations

4:05

- 9.0 Rev. Sam Lee – Report and recommendations from Church Planting Committee [\(Classis Google Drive\)](#)

4:25

- 9.1 Request from Rev, Jun Kim for funding to attend a Korean Conference [\(Classis Google Drive\)](#)

Ministry Presentations

Each ministry is allotted approx. 8 minutes for their presentations

4:35

- 10.1 Rev. Martin Vellekoop – Restorative Practices Task Force
10.2 Faye Martin – Safe Church Committee [\(Classis Google Drive\)](#)
10.3 Rev. Gary Roosma – Seafarers Chaplain [\(Classis Google Drive\)](#)
10.4 Pastor Dena Nicolai – Chaplain & Refugee Support Mobilizer [\(Classis Google Drive\)](#)
10.5 Rev. Ben VerKerk – Resonate
10.6 Rev. Jenn Richards – Canadian National Gathering
10.7 Rev. Dan Schultz – Video sermon Series

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1JsKA66sG9clrgbjBc7aky7g_ALGBSwEp?usp=sharing

5:30

- 10.8 Several submitted ministry written reports with no verbal presentations [\(Classis Google Drive\)](#)

5:35

11. Classical Treasurers Report [\(Classis Google Drive\)](#)
David Pel & Barton Chan

2024 Compilation Engagement Report
Financial Statements 2025
Report on 2025 Ministry Shares submitted
Outlook for 2026 and forecasted expenses

Update on transition and completion

Motion: to approve the 2024 Compilation Engagement Report

Motion: to approve the 2025 Financial Statements

Motion: to approve the new Treasurer and Stated clerk,
as signing authority for bank accounts and transactions

Motion: to remove Kathy Smith and David Pel as signatories for all
Classis BCNW accounts when transition is complete.

Authentic Community

- 5:55 Adjournment of Classis
- 12.1 Closing announcements and notifications – S.C. & Rev. Joel Ringma
- 12.2 Closing words of thanks – Rev. Willem Delleman
- 12.3 Closing Devotions and prayer – Rev. Joel Ringma

President to declare Classis Adjourned

Next meeting of Classis BCNW

October 20 & 21, 2026

Richmond Immanuel CRC

Executive:

President: Rev Willem Delleman

Vice President: Rev Andrew Beunk

Recording Secretary: Rev. Joel Ringma

Links to documents on the ([Classis Google Drive](#))

1. Delegate Information
2. Classis Meeting F&Q's
3. Affirmation of Reformed Doctrine and Life
4. Updated list of Classical Committees, Teams and Denominational Representatives
5. Acronym List
6. Church Visiting Schedule for March 2026 to March 2028
7. 2025 Church Order
8. Commissioned pastor handbook