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2027 GUIDANCE ON HONORARIA FOR :
PULPIT SUPPLY,
TEMPORARY SUPPLY,
& MODERATING SESSION

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Guidance on Honoraria for Pulpit Supply, Temporary Supply, and Moderating Session

Pulpit Supply:

1. The minimum honorarium for pulpit supply is \$275 plus mileage for one service and \$350 plus mileage for two services on the same Sunday. For current IRS rate for business, visit the [IRS website](#).
2. When a minister is specifically invited from outside the area, transportation and lodging, if appropriate, should be covered in addition to the honorarium.
3. Ministers candidating for another pulpit in the area should have their expenses reimbursed by the interested church or churches. The host church should bear no expense.

Temporary Supply:

The Committee on Ministry will assist churches in obtaining Temporary Supply when the church is without a pastor or when the pastor is incapacitated or absent for some reason.

The following are the honoraria for such Temporary Supply arrangements:

1. When the responsibilities are limited to pulpit supply, the honoraria listed above for "Pulpit Supply" shall be used.
2. Additional activities, such as attending committee meetings and moderating session meetings, shall be compensated at the Presbytery minimum effective salary which for 2027 is \$65.00/hour (This is a normalized rate for the entire Presbytery – if a localized rate is desired, please send a request to comadmin@thepresbytery.org.)
3. In addition to compensation, out-of-pocket expenses and travel costs should be paid.

Moderators:

Moderators will be reimbursed at the hourly rate of \$65.00 plus the [current IRS mileage rate](#) for business.

PNC Liaisons:

When PNC Liaisons attend committee meetings, they will be reimbursed at the current IRS rate. Also, they will be reimbursed for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses when a request with receipts is presented to the PNC.

Questions? Email the COM Administrator at comadmin@thepresbytery.org