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Dear Sisters and Brothers of the Susquehanna Conference,

Grace to you in the name of Jesus Christ, Prince of Peace, Healer of our Brokenness, and Hope of the World!

This letter is to let you know of another transition in the Cabinet. The Reverend Greg Myers, Clergy Assistant to my office who served on the Full Cabinet, has reduced his hours and responsibilities. As of July 1, Greg will be ¼ time. While he will no longer be a member of the Full Cabinet in this new position, he will continue working closely with the Board of Ordained Ministry and the Episcopal Office for clergy administrative services. Greg will continue to care for things such as the clergy report for the Clergy Session and other matters related to keeping and updating clergy records. He will also continue to serve and represent the Episcopal Office and me in a limited way.

I cannot begin to thank Greg enough for his service and his ministry among us. He served the former Central Pennsylvania Conference, the former Wyoming Conference, and the current Susquehanna Conference with distinction and commitment. When Greg retired the first time in 2011, after 40 years in ministry, he was recognized as an outstanding pastor as well as a District Superintendent. However, Greg's first retirement only lasted a few hours before Bishop Jane Allen Middleton appointed him Clergy Assistant to the Bishop.

When I was assigned to the Susquehanna Conference as the Resident Bishop, I was blessed to have Greg in ministry with me. Although he was classified as part-time, he gave himself completely in this role. Indeed, Greg has worked tirelessly for these past 9 years. I cannot thank him enough for all that he has brought to and has given to the Susquehanna Conference. His contributions to the Office of Bishop, to me personally, and to the Cabinet have been exceptional and exemplary. Greg's voice has been highly valued around the Cabinet table. Greg is a committed witness for inclusiveness, diversity, and justice. In Christian love and compassion, Greg challenges the way things are and is always helping persons to hear the voices of all people. I give thanks to God for Greg's ministry for who he is as a colleague and a follower of Jesus Christ. I am overwhelmed with gratitude for Greg's contribution to my office and to the Susquehanna Conference.

I celebrate Greg's wanting to take more time to spend with his wife Deb and his family and to pursue his personal hobbies. However, I am grateful that he is willing to continue to stay on as part of the Episcopal Office and share his gifts and vast knowledge and experience and wisdom with the Annual Conference.

Please join me in thanking God for Greg's continuing ministry among us. While he will be missed at the Cabinet table, may he continue to find joy and fulfillment with health and strength in the next chapter of his journey.

With Thankfulness,

Jeremiah J. Park