

Commission on Ministry (COM)

Report to Presbytery- September 26, 2017

Action Item #1

COM recommends that Carlisle Presbytery of Ellen Williams to be examined for ordination as a Minister of Word and Sacrament.

Rationale: Ellen is a member of Camp Hill Presbyterian Church and is under care of the Committee on Preparation for Ministry of Carlisle Presbytery. (CPM) She was “certified ready, pending the receipt of a Call, to be examined for ordination” on May 20, 2017. She is a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary. Ellen received a Call to be the Associate Pastor at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Austin, Texas. She was examined and approved by Mission Presbytery for her Call on September 5, 2017, pending her ordination. Mission Presbytery requested that Ellen be ordained by Carlisle Presbytery on their behalf. Her Statement of Faith and Biography are in the packet.

Action Item #2

COM presents a revised “Code of Ethics” for Ministers of Word and Sacrament in Carlisle Presbytery and moves its adoption. A copy of the revised document is in the packet.

Rationale: COM approved a change in the Code of Ethics that changes some “titles” and updates it with references to newer COM Policies i.e. “Sexual Misconduct”, “Gracious Partings” and “Gracious Endings and Productive Beginnings” policies. See the changes in “RED” on provided document.

Action Item #3

COM moves the adoption of the Minimum Terms of Call for 2018 for Ministers of Word and Sacrament and Certified and Associate Certified Christian Educators.

Rationale: Please see the Terms of Call documents provided in the packet. COM is recommending a 2.5% increase. COM researched the cost of living via the Consumer Price Index for the Central Pennsylvania area. They determined that the cost of living had increased by 2.5% over the last year. COM recommended no increase for 2017 Terms of Call and decided to recommend a 2.5% increase for 2018.

Information Items

COM voted to place Rev. Brand Eaton on the Carlisle Presbytery Pulpit Supply List.

The Commission on Ministry voted to approve the Ministry Information Form (MIF) submitted by the Pastor Nominating Committee of The Presbyterian Congregation of Middletown

COM voted to concur with the action of the congregation of Lower Marsh Creek Presbyterian Church, to dissolve the Call and approve the Terms of Dissolution, between the congregation and Rev. Troy Morgan effective June 30, 2017.

COM voted to grant Rev. Troy Morgan the status of Member at Large of Carlisle Presbytery.

COM voted to validate the ministry of Rev. Derek Wadlington as the Helen Carnell Eden Chaplain at Wilson College, Chambersburg, PA effective August 14, 2017.

COM voted to approve Rev. Inho Kang to be a member of Carlisle Presbytery along with his Terms of Call, pending the approval of the congregation of the Harrisburg Korean Presbyterian Church that he is to be the congregation's new Pastor.

COM voted to grant permission to the Session of The Harrisburg Korean Church to call a Special Congregational meeting for July 30, 2017 the purpose of which would be to vote on the Call of Rev. Inho Kang to be their pastor.

COM voted to grant Rev. Candace Veon-Nyiri the status of Member at Large in Carlisle Presbytery.

COM voted to approve the Installation Service of Rev. Ron Gilmer, the new Pastor at St. James Presbyterian Church, for Sunday September 17, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Additionally they authorized the serving of the Lord's Supper at the service.

COM approved the following persons to be the Installation Commission for Rev. Ron Gilmer:

Rev. Kim Wadlington, Moderator

Rev. Russell Sullivan

Rev. Bill Beck

Ruling Elder Jim Nabor (St. James)

Ruling Elder Renee Breen (Mechanicsburg)

Ruling Elder Gary Hollinger (Silver Spring)

Ruling Elder Beth Fine (Camp Hill)

COM approved the installation of Rev. Allison Spooner as the Pastor of the new Faith Immanuel Presbyterian Church immediately after her election at the July 30, 2017 Congregational Meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to formally merge the Progress-Immanuel and Faith Presbyterian Churches which will become Faith Immanuel Presbyterian Church.

COM voted to approve the renewal of the Covenant of Agreement between Rev. Jack Sproat and Dickinson Presbyterian Church's Session for Jack to continue as their Temporary Pastor.

COM voted to allow members and future members of Carlisle presbytery who have already taken **Boundary Training** required by Carlisle Presbytery elsewhere, to be granted a waiver to this requirement. However, they would need to provide documentation that they have done so by either a certificate or a letter from the presbytery where they took the course. This documentation must be sent to the Stated Clerk of Carlisle Presbytery.

COM approved a service of Installation for Rev. Nancy McClure as Pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian Church and the Highland United Presbyterian Church on October 15, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Mifflintown, PA. COM also approved the Installation Commission for Nancy's Installation Service:

Ruling Elder Greg Harris, Vice Moderator of Carlisle Presbytery
Rev. John Park
Rev. Suzanne Uittenbogaard
Ruling Elder Bill McHenry (Highland United)
Ruling Elder Kit Parks (Westminster)
Ruling Elder Jody Satzler (Westminster)
Ruling Elder Lori Comp (Perry Valley)

COM voted to approve the Installation Service of Rev. Dr. Stephen McKinney-Whitaker, the new Pastor at Derry Presbyterian Church, for Tuesday September 12, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. COM also approved the Installation Commission for Stephen's Installation Service:

Rev. Kimberley Wadlington, Moderator
Rev. Robin Reilly
Ruling Elder Beckie Dreibelbis (St. Andrews)
Ruling Elder Stephany Davidson (Middletown)
Ruling Elder Gregg Robertson (Derry)
Rev. Larry Van Hise
Rev. Dr. Bruce Humphrey

COM voted to approve the Ordination and Installation Service of Jane Anabe as the new Associate Pastor at Silver Spring Presbyterian Church, for Thursday August 17, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. COM also approved the Ordination/ Installation Commission for Jane's service:

Rev. Kimberley Wadlington, Moderator
Ruling Elder Jim Speedy (Mechanicsburg)
Rev. Don Wahlig
Ruling Elder Donna Wenger (Market Square)
Ruling Elder Jayson Wolfgang (Silver Spring)