

**CARLISLE PRESBYTERY
COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION (CPM)
Report to Presbytery- May 28, 2019**

ACTION:

- On February 7th, 2019, the CPM met with Cindy Kneiss, Ruling Elder / Upper West Conococheague, to discuss her application to be received into the CRE certification process. The CPM voted unanimously to receive her as a candidate in the CRE certification process.
- On March 7th, 2019, the CPM voted to enroll Rebekah Anderson as an Inquirer under care of Carlisle Presbytery to seek ordination as a Minister of Word and Sacrament in the PCUSA.
- On April 4th, 2019, the CPM voted to authorize Chris Houtz to distribute his PIF through the Church Leadership Connection (CLC). The committee also recommended that Chris circulate his PIF as a self-referral to churches who are seeking pastors.
- Also on April 4th, 2019, the CPM voted to certify Chris Houtz as ready, pending receipt of a Call, to be examined for Ordination as a Minister of Word and Sacrament in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), pending his graduation from Princeton Theological Seminary in May, 2019.
 - NOTE: Both of the two actions above require that Chris reveal to any Pastor Nominating Committee that may interview him that he will be graduating from seminary in May, 2019.

Updates on Inquirers and Candidates in the ordination process:

- a. **Rebekah Anderson– (Kim Wadlington) Inquirer (as of March 7, 2019)**
 - GRADUATES: 2021
No exams taken yet
- b. **Matthew Robinson – (Don Opitz) Inquirer (as of April, 2016)**
 - GRADUATED: 2009
Theology, July 26, 2018 / Passed
Church Polity, October 25, 2018 / Passed
- c. **Grace Hellweg Payne – (Elaine Saum) Candidate (as of December, 2017)**
 - GRADUTES: 2019
Bible Exegesis exam on Saturday, October 27, 2018 / Passed

Theology exam on January 24, 2019 / Passed
Worship & Sacraments exam on January 24, 2019 / Passed
Church Polity on January 24, 2019 / Failed / Retook exam in April

d. **Chris Houtz – (Kelly Wiant) Candidate (as of February, 2018)**

- GRADUTES: 2019
Theology, October 25, 2018 / Passed
Worship & Sacraments, October 25, 2018 / Passed
Bible Exegesis / January 26, 2019 / Passed
Church Polity / January 24, 2019 / Passed

e. **Rebecca Lister – (Bill Uffelman)- Inquirer (as of November, 2017)**

- GRADUTES: 2021
No exams taken yet.

f. **Rebekah Nolt – (Mike Fry) Candidate (as of December, 2017)**

- GRADUTES: 2019
Bible Exegesis, October 27, 2018 / Passed
Church Polity, October 25, 2018 / Failed – Retook exam in April
Theology, October 25, 2018 / Passed
Worship & Sacraments, October 25, 2018 / Passed

g. **David Black – (Don Wahlig) Candidate (as of September, 2018)**

- GRADUATED: 2018
Theology, July 26, 2018 / Passed
Polity, April 26, 2018 / Passed
Exegesis Exam on January 26, 2019 / Passed
Worship & Sacraments, April 25, 2019

Updates on CRE Candidates

- h. **Neal McCulloch** – (Patricia Butler) Candidate (as of December, 2018)
- **Mentor** – Jack Sproat
- i. **Cindy Kneiss** – (Ron Martin-Minnich) Candidate (as of February, 2019)
- **Mentor** – Ron Martin-Minnich

Respectfully submitted,

Don Wahlig
Moderator