

Appendices A and C are not posted with these minutes but are available with the Presbytery papers that were posted for the meeting.

The Presbytery of Whitewater Valley held its 170th Stated Meeting at Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church at Indianapolis, Indiana, convening at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 9, 2011. Following registration and refreshments, commissioners gathered in the sanctuary to the singing of *This Is the Day the Lord Has Made*. The meeting opened with a call to worship, prayer of confession, and assurance of pardon led by Moderator Judith Trabue, followed by scripture and reflection by Rev. Gretchen Schneider, our host pastor. There was a reprise of *This is the Day that Lord Has Made* and a convening prayer was given by Moderator Judith Trabue. Rev. Gretchen Schneider, pastor of Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church, welcomed the group.

Moderator Judith Trabue called the meeting to order and the Stated Clerk confirmed that there was a quorum of voting presbyters (10% of the total eligible minister and elder commissioners).

The roll of the Presbytery was established by registration as follows – all persons were present except those marked with *; the number in parenthesis () indicates the number of elder commissioners allowed to vote from that congregation; + identifies ministers of another denomination:

ATTENDANCE

<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>CLERGY</u>	<u>COMMISSIONERS</u>
Anderson, First (4)	Ryan D. Rasmussen Donna Madewell, CLP *	Ida Campbell * Judy Hatley * Caroli Wolfe * Jason Knapp
Avon, Whitelick (2)	Kimberly Olson	Shirley Halterman Virginia Sheets *
Bluffton, First (3)	Robert E. Madsen	Bette Erxleben * Ted K. Smith Ira Zadylak *
Boggestown (1)	Sandra Martin, CLP *	William T. Johnson
Brookville, Mt. Carmel (1)	+Andrew Zinsmeister *	John Hoffman *
Clayton (1)	David L. McDonald	Barbara Edmondson
Connersville, First (1)	Mitch Coggin	Fred Sess
Decatur, First (1)	Marcia Cline, CLP *	Janet M. Macklin
Edinburgh, First (1)	Rachel A. Wann	Ledajeon Flory
Elwood, First (1)	Linda E. Philabaun *	Wanda Helm
Fishers, New Hope (5)	Steven J. Ebling	Bob Gardner * Karen Dowden James L. Beatty Heidi Hollings Martha Nelson *
Fort Wayne, First (6)	Edwin J. Dykstra Youngsoo An Ann L. Pitman	Betty-Alice Almeida Sondra Mergenthal Kip Ormerod David A. Lundy Vrina Stebbins Mary Schneider
Fort Wayne, Grace (3)	Laura Sherwood	Tammy Menkes Wilbur Searer James Wolfe

Fort Wayne, Trinity (1)	Kevin R. Boyd	Barbara Boyd *
Fort Wayne, United Faith (1)	Hal V. Thomas	Judith Lehman Wright
Franklin, First (3)	Peter F. Jessen	Doug Andrews Marge Rook * Constance Eggers *
Greenfield, First (1)	John J. Paulson, CLP	Katherine Harper
Greensburg, First (2)	Steven R. Matthies	Judy Rust Joe Westhafer *
Greensburg, Kingston (1)	Vacant	MaryMarg Karty
Greensburg, Springhill (1)	Vacant	Max Neimeyer
Greenwood, Center Grove (4)	Scott N. Fouts * Sally A. Earl, CLP	Joe Dotzlaf Marge Slauter Lyle Helvie * Andy Wiesman
Greenwood (3)	Cheryl Montgomery	Judith A. Lovejoy * Joe Nelson * Donna M. Ondres *
Hartford City, First (1)	David R. Smith	Helen Musselman
Indianapolis, Fairview (3)	Gerard Kuyk	Kaye Hirt Eggleston * Mark Lawson Ruby Matthews *
Indianapolis, Faith (5)	Charlotte Lohrenz *	David Percy Diane T. Rhodes * Norm Terando Chuck Berning * Suzanne Rees *
Indianapolis, First-Meridian Heights (4)	Robert Agnew Trish Lisa	Margo Gaines Eric Moy *
Indianapolis, Immanuel (1)	Kevin G. Bausman	DeWillican Middleton
Indianapolis, Irvington (5)	Robert A. Heimach Galen L. Schwarz	Luanne Hogg * Pat Lewis * Patrick Wooden * Jenny Giddens * Jon Pauwee *
Indianapolis, John Knox (3)	W. Franklin Mansell Lisa K. Crismore, CLP	Vivian Hale * Cyd Kladden * Ginny Shaw * Marcia Brock
Indianapolis, Korean (1)	Hyung (Howard) Kim	Thomas Kim
Indianapolis, Northminster (5)	Teri L. Thomas Ruth C. Moore	Jean Dodds Lisa Tait Longo Damon Auble Josh Hill * Lynne Tobin

Indianapolis, Orchard Park (6)	Charles M. Webster * Michael Ireland *	Cindy Muse Tony Kupinski * Carolyn Barnes * Amy Smith * Rob Peterson * Dave Steiger * Philip Votaw Benjamin Busald
Indianapolis, Saint Andrew (2)	Gretchen Schneider	Gretchen Brown Linda Rinker Mark A. Huesing Natalie Auberry Nancy Kriplen John L. Miller Howard Pelham Ina Van Duyn Karyn Smitson Larry Robertson *
Indianapolis, Second (10)	Lewis F. Galloway W. Glen Bell Joyce E. Hunn * James W. Riley David A. Berry * Karen L. Lang Richard Baker Caroline Dennis Brian Shivers	Karen Mitseff-Medlen * Joseph R. Woods
Indianapolis, Southminster (2)	Gregory L. Glover * Ronald Rockey	Sandra Reid Bob Shaw Gary Nickel * Dan Schroeder * Thomas Wirt
Indianapolis, Tabernacle (5)	L. John Gable Oscar A. Clavel	Donna Studevent
Indianapolis, Westminster (1)	Jim Hill, CLP	Nina Graham * Geraldine Malone Claud Pace *
Indianapolis, Witherspoon (3)	L. Bryant Parker	Richard Wade *
Jonesboro, First of Grant County (1)	Vacant	Glenn Orr
Knightstown, Bethel (1)	Peter S. Zinn	George W. Pierce
Lewisville, Ebenezer (1)	Peter S. Zinn	Dwight Sweet *
Lewisville, First (1)	Peter S. Zinn	Barbara Montgomery *
Liberty, First (1)	Dawn A. Gold *	Jacqueline Hancock * Jeff Raver * Eric Walts *
Marion, Westminster (3)	Vacant	Miki Bean
McCordsville, Christ (1)	Nancy A. Howard	Scott Shockley Steve Cooper Sue Whitaker Roger Sherwood Sandra Sexton
Muncie, First (5)	Ronald L. Naylor David B. Jewett MyungKu Lee * Carrie Jo Miller, CLP	Scott Knight *
Muncie, St. Andrew (1)	Melodie C. Wager *	James Overmyer Dee Dorr * Beverly Cherry Vickie Clark
New Castle, First (4)	M. Rex Espiritu	

Noblesville, First (3)	Eric R. Gale *	Thomas H. Bader * Fredric Powell Judith Sauers *
Ossian (2)	Jay E. Cline *	David Anderson * Ted Martz *
Plainfield, Hope United (1)	J. Gray Marshall	Willis G. Parker
Portland, First (1)	Deborah Bowsher	Tom Young *
Richmond, First (3)	David A. Layman	Guy Guthrie * Jon Richwine * Bill Stackhouse *
Richmond, Reid Memorial (1)	Joseph T. Fields	Marc Parks *
Rushville, First (1)	Dena E. Vittorio	Jon Martin *
Rushville, Trinity (1)	Mick Saunders, CLP *	Ann Lacy *
Shelbyville, First (3)	Mark E. Morningstar	Frank Learned * William Mitchell Mike Whitfield
Tipton, First (1)	Linda E. Philabaun *	Robert L. Moore *
Union City, First (1)	+Roberta Hart *	
Westfield, CrossRoads (1)	Eric G. Lohe *	Chris Kemp *
Winchester, First (1)	Chérie L. Isakson	Jane Passmore
Zionsville (6)	James A. Capps Scott T. Shelton R. Patrick Smith Donna S. Pollard, CLP * James G. Dougherty, CLP	Don Armstrong Steve Wright Cindy Bauer * Jeff Colton * Jack Ellett *

MINISTERS ON THE ROLL

ACTIVE ROLL, VALIDATED MINISTRY

Eleanor (Bunny) Alexander *	Jessica Konker	Glenn McDonald
David A. Chaddock	John Koppitch	Leonel Pech
Caitlin Deyerle	James Lunde	Sergei Petrov *
L. Vern Farnum *	George F. LaMaster	Tim S. Shapiro *
Joy Bilger Goehring	Deborah S. Mansell *	Robert Wauzzinski *
Carol Johnston *		

MINISTERS AT LARGE

Sharon Azbell *	Lee Dorsey *	Peggy McDonald
Jeanie Barnes *	F. James Friedewald *	John Stephen Park *
David W. Comstock	Lorna Kuyk *	Daniel W. Sutherin
Merrill Cook *	Robert B. McAulay, Jr.	Elizabeth B. Wood

HONORABLY RETIRED

Robert Amon *	William O. Harris *	Alan Pareis *
David Bae *	William Hudnut *	Patricia S. Reid *
William Barrett *	Robert Hunter *	W. W. Ridenour
William Birch *	George R. Jackson *	Anne L. Rose *
J. Donald Boebinger *	Thelma Sue King *	Barbara A. Sloop
Raymond Bowden *	Robert D. Leas *	Quentin N. Small *

George Boyle *
 Bruce Brown *
 John Burhorn *
 Robert B. Clark *
 F. William Clemenson *
 John Constant *
 Judith A. Cook
 Henry S. Date *
 Theodore Dorman *
 Donald R. Durrett *
 Janet L. Dykstra
 Herbert C. Eggleston *
 William G. Enright *
 William Fogg *
 Julian R. Gresham *

S. Kim Leech *
 Loran Lewis *
 A. Howard Lindquist *
 Sheldon Logan *
 Donald R. MacPherson *
 P. Keith Main *
 Joan Malick *
 Raymond J. Marquette *
 Jack R. Masters *
 Alan McCraine *
 Robert C. McGinnis *
 Ralph Mitchell *
 Elsworth (Bud) Morack *
 Harrison C. Neal *
 David F. Noble *
 Curtis Page *

L. Wayne Smith *
 Richard C. Smith *
 James R. Snyder *
 Erik L. Spencer *
 Richard Stenner *
 Paul R. Stone *
 Edgar A. Towne *
 R. Glen Traver *
 Byung Sub Van *
 William J. Weber *
 Arthur C. Whitaker *
 Wallace Wilson
 John R. Wineman *
 James S. Wolfe *
 Gary Ziegler *

PRESBYTERY STAFF

T. Alan Thames
 Felipe Martinez
 Fernando Rodriguez *

Fabio Socarraz, CLP *
 Barry Sumner, CLP *
 Gregory Thomas

ELDER COUNCIL MEMBERS

Sally Barnes *
 Linda Bennett *
 Connie Brown *
 Sandra Crawford *
 Barbara Edmondson *

Guy Guthrie (Commissioner) *
 Eric Herzog *
 Mark Huesing
 Harriet O'Connor *
 Girtha R. Perkins *

Ellen Schramm *
 Gary Stebbins
 Rich Swartwood
 Judi Trabue

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS

None

VISITORS

Martha McDonald
 Mable Chulock
 MaryMarg Karty
 George Bayless
 Davies Batterton
 David Bennett
 Diana Bennett
 Dale Melton

Mary Ruth Snyder
 Paulo Castro
 Tonya Paddock
 Barbara Meriweather
 Dennis Simmons
 Karen Church
 Don Whitaker
 Arianne Lehn

Jeff Lehn
 Christopher Konker
 Rebekah Lawson
 Jennifer Lipinski (Inquirer)
 Kate Ester (Candidate)
 Shannon Burford (Candidate)
 Jennifer Loeb (Candidate)

DOCKET

The proposed docket was approved. The docket follows:

Whitewater Valley Presbytery
 PRESBYTERY DOCKET -- November 9, 2011
 9:30 AM – Registration 10:00 AM – Call Meeting to Order
 Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis, IN

9:55	Gathering Music – <i>“This is the Day the Lord Has Made”</i>	
10:00	A CALL TO GATHER AND TO ORDER	Elder Judith Trabue, Moderator
	Call to Worship Prayer of Confession Assurance of Pardon New Testament Scripture Reflection	Rev. Gretchen Schneider
	Morning Song <i>“This Is The Day”</i> (sung in unison)	
	A CONVENING PRAYER	Elder Judith Trabue, Moderator

	WORDS OF WELCOME	Rev. Gretchen Schneider
	Establishing of Roll and Quorum	
	ACTION: Docket approval	
	Introduction of New Elder Commissioners & New Pastors	
	Seating Corresponding Members	
	Stated Clerk's Report & Consent	Elder Greg Thomas
	ACTION: Approve Consent Agenda	
	STATEMENT ABOUT BALLOTS	Elder Judith Trabue, Moderator
10:35	ORDINATION EXAMINATION – Mr. Chris Konker	Rev. Hal Thomas
	Second Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis – Lake Fellow	
	ACTION: To Sustain Ordination Examination	
10:55	MY JOURNEY TO MINISTRY – Mr. Chris Konker	
11:05	STREAMS OF LIVING WATER The Presbyterian Churches of Hendricks County (Avon, Whitelick Presbyterian; Clayton, Clayton Presbyterian; Plainfield, Hope United Presbyterian)	
11:20	ORDINATION EXAMINATION – Mr. Shannon Burford	Rev. David Comstock
	Greensburg, Kingston and Springhill Churches	
	ACTION: To Sustain Ordination Examination	
11:40	MY JOURNEY TO MINISTRY – Mr. Shannon Burford	
11:50	PRAYER & DISMISSAL FOR LUNCH	Rev. Gretchen Schneider
12:35	GATHERING MUSIC	
12:40	RECONVENE	
	A Song of Gathering <i>"There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit"</i>	PH 398
	THE CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING	
	A Song of Joy (Instrumental)	
12:50	EXECUTIVE PRESBYTER'S REPORT	Rev. Alan Thames
	Announcements, Joys, Baptisms & Concerns	
	A Dialogue about Our Ordination Vows	
	Financial Consultant Key Messages	
	Pyoca, COOKIE TIME	Rich Swartwood
1:00	NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT	Rev. David Layman
	VOTING INSTRUCTIONS	Greg Thomas
	ACTION: Election of new committee members and GA Commissioners	
1:15	HISPANIC MINISTRIES LEAD TEAM REPORT	Rev. David Smith
1:25	ORDINATION EXAMINATION – Ms. Katie Ester	Rev. David Comstock
	ACTION: To Sustain Ordination Examination	
1:45	MY JOURNEY TO MINISTRY – Ms. Katie Ester	
1:55	COORDINATING COUNCIL REPORT	Rev. Joe Fields
	Finance Committee Report	
	COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY	Rev. Hal Thomas
	ACTION: Approve 2012 Minimum Terms of Call	
	ACTION: <i>Amistad Cristiana</i> – Elect Administrative Commission and Approve AC Duties	
2:10	ORDINATION EXAMINATION – Mr. Jeffrey Lehn	Rev. Hal Thomas
	ACTION: To Sustain Ordination Examination	
2:30	MY JOURNEY TO MINISTRY – Mr. Jeffrey Lehn	
2:40	HYMN <i>"Here I Am, Lord"</i>	PH 525
	INSTALLATION OF 2012 PRESBYTERY MODERATOR AND VICE MODERATOR AND COORDINATING COUNCIL MODERATOR AND VICE MODERATOR	
	• Presbytery Moderator, Rev. Dena Vittorio, Rushville-First	
	• Presbytery Vice Moderator, Elder Bill Johnson, Boggstown-First	
	• Coordinating Council Moderator, Rev. Mark Morningstar, Shelbyville-First	
	• Coordinating Council Vice Moderator, Rev. Chérie Isakson, Winchester-First	
	CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS	
	INSTALLATION PRAYER	
	CHARGE	
	BLESSING	

	WE EXPRESS THANKS AND ARE GRATEFUL	Rev. Dena Vittorio, Moderator
	2011 Presbytery Moderator – Elder Judi Trabue	
	2011 Coordinating Council Moderator – Rev. Joe Fields	
	2011 Board of Directors – Rev. Galen Schwarz	
	2011 Committee on Ministry Moderator – Rev. Hal Thomas	
	2011 Committee on Preparation for Ministry Moderator – Rev. David Comstock	
	2011 Finance Committee Moderator – Elder Gary Stebbins	
	2011 Personnel Committee Moderator – Elder Lee Lange	
	2011 Nominating Committee Moderator – Rev. David Layman	
	2011 Session Records Review Moderator – Elder John Current	
	2011 Permanent Judicial Commission – Elder Clara Rice	
	CONCLUDING PRAYER OF GRATITUDE FOR ALL WHO SERVED	Rev. Dena Vittorio, Moderator
3:00	OLD BUSINESS	
	NEW BUSINESS	
3:05	A SONG OF PREPARATION	<i>“Let Us Break Bread Together”</i> PH 513
	THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION	Rev. Gretchen Schneider, Officiant
3:15	FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD	
	CLOSING PRAYER	Rev. Dena Vittorio, Moderator
	ADJOURN BY SINGING IN UNISON	<i>“God Be With You Till We Meet Again”</i>
		-----End of Docket-----

New elder commissioners were introduced. Rev. Hal Thomas introduced new pastors to the Presbytery (Caitlin Deyerle and James Lunde, Lake Fellows at Indianapolis-Second; Jim Capps, Interim Minister at Zionsville Presbyterian).

There were no corresponding members to seat.

STATED CLERK’S REPORT

Elder Greg Thomas, Stated Clerk, reported on his Clerk training in Pittsburgh. He will post advisory opinions on interpretations on the new Book of Order as they come. There are no written materials available at this time. There is a template for new bylaws available. The deadline for overtures to General Assembly is March 2, 2012. There are ten major changes in a new addition to Roberts’ Rules of order that will help moderators move their meetings along more efficiently. There is a Roberts’ Rules Class online sponsored by the University of Wisconsin.

The Stated Clerk clarified that commissioners must be registered and present to vote today.

ORDINATION ANNIVERSARIES

December through February [See Appendix A]

ORDINATION EXAMINATION

Rev. Hal Thomas, Moderator of the Committee on Ministry, presented Mr. Chris Konker to be examined for ordination as a Minister of Word and Sacrament, Teaching Elder. Chris is serving as a Lake Fellow at Second Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis. Following his faith statement and a period of examination by the members of the Presbytery, a motion to arrest the examination was made, seconded, and passed. Rev. Thomas moved to sustain the examination of Chris as Minister of Word and Sacrament, Teaching Elder, and that he be approved for ordination and membership in the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley. After some discussion, the vote was taken and the motion passed. Family and friends from Second Presbyterian Church were invited to join Chris as Rev. Lewis Galloway led the Presbytery in prayer. Chris’s ordination will be on November 19, 2011 at Second Presbyterian Church.

MY JOURNEY TO MINISTRY

Chris Konker shared his spiritual journey and his gratitude for his mentors through the Lake Fellow program at Second Presbyterian.

STREAMS OF LIVING WATER

The three churches located in Hendricks County presented overviews of their ministries showing many streams of living water flowing through their congregations:

- Whitelick Presbyterian in Avon ministers through Sheltering Wings, food pantry, prison ministries, Moms in Touch, hearing aids for children, Habitat for Humanity. Their major focus is preparing and sending spirit-filled disciples to serve wherever they are planted.
- Hope United Presbyterian in Plainfield serves through Hope Pantry which began as a desire to fill a need not met in their county. They provide personal hygiene products to those in need.
- Clayton Presbyterian Church is vibrant in its witness, surviving after a church fire, thriving with a hopeful spirit. They witness to God's love through Meals on Wheels, Trunk or Treat serving 100 children, food pantry, and support Jameson Camp, Heifer Project, and Habitat for Humanity.

ORDINATION EXAMINATION

Rev. David Comstock, Moderator of the Committee on Preparation for Ministry, presented Mr. Shannon Burford to be examined for ordination as a Minister of Word and Sacrament, Teaching Elder. Shannon was certified to receive a call by the Committee on Preparation for Ministry and has a call as Designated Pastor at Kingston and Springhill Presbyterian Churches in Greensburg. Following his faith statement and a period of examination by the members of the Presbytery, a motion to arrest the examination was made, seconded, and passed. Rev. Comstock moved to sustain the examination of Shannon as Minister of Word and Sacrament, Teaching Elder, and that he be approved for ordination and membership in the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley. After an opportunity for questions and discussion, the motion passed. Family and friends from First Presbyterian Church of Shelbyville, and from the Kingston and Springhill congregations were invited to join Shannon as Rev. Mark Morningstar led the Presbytery in prayer. Shannon's ordination will be on December 4, 2011 at First Presbyterian Church in Shelbyville, Indiana.

MY JOURNEY TO MINISTRY

Shannon Burford shared his spiritual journey as God had been calling him for many years as he enjoyed college and years in the Navy before he responded to the call to ministry.

PRAYER AND DISMISSAL FOR LUNCH

Rev. Gretchen Schneider gave directions for lunch and the prayer of blessing for the food. We dismissed for lunch at 12:00 noon.

RECONVENE AND A SONG OF GATHERING

Presbytery was reconvened in the sanctuary at 12:45 p.m. with gathering music by Paulo Castro, Director of Music at Saint Andrew, and all joined in singing *"There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit."*

CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING

The Christmas Joy offering was received and \$572.00 was collected.

EXECUTIVE PRESBYTER'S REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Alan Thames, Executive Presbyter, welcomed announcements, joys, and concerns.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Rev. Felipe Martinez told about the Souper Bowl of Caring and how youth groups can become involved.
- The music group of *Amistad Cristiana* in Fort Wayne has a CD for sale.
- Rev. Thames announced the new staffing model of Treasurer and Financial Consultant approved by Council. Postings are online.
- Council approved a series of discussions on taking ordination vows seriously and share how they are part of our journey together at next year's Presbytery meetings. The question for February will be "Do you trust in Jesus Christ as our Savior and acknowledge his Lordship...?"
[See Appendix B for full report]
- Elder Rich Swartwood, Executive Director of Pyoca Camp and Conference Center, announced that next year is the 60th Anniversary of Pyoca. Pyoca partners, nine churches, did \$21,000 in labor through small construction projects. They've bought new furniture, new docks, and gave \$9,000 in scholarships to kids last summer. The summer packets are here today, with the cookies, for distribution to everyone. Pyoca staff will partner with interested churches and will come out to promote camp.

JOYS, BAPTISMS, AND CONCERNS

Joys included thanks for those entering ordained ministry, the hospitality of Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church (Moderator Judith Trabue's home church), and First Presbyterian Church of Winchester's dedication of their new steeple. Concerns. Elder Tom Leed from Hartford City undergoing a heart catheterization at Ball Hospital and Rev. David Smith's niece, Alexis, having back surgery at Riley Children's Hospital.

Rev. Alan Thames, executive presbyter, led the Presbytery in prayer.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Rev. David Layman, Moderator of the Nominating Committee, presented the nomination for Vice Moderator of Presbytery. After an opportunity for nominations from the floor, Elder Bill Johnson was elected Vice Moderator.

Rev. Layman then presented the slate for each committee. After opportunities for nominations from the floor for all positions, the slate as presented was elected.

A ballot vote was taken to elect Teaching Elder and Ruling Elder Commissioners and a Youth Advisory Delegate for the 2012 General Assembly meeting to be held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, from June 30 through July 7, 2012. Six nominees were presented for each Teaching Elder and Ruling Elder with three of each to be elected and two Youth Advisory Delegates were nominated with one to be elected. The nominees were introduced and asked to come forward so the group could identify each nominee. Short biographies of each were provided with the Presbytery papers posted online before the meeting. Ballots were distributed as the Stated Clerk gave voting instructions as to eligibility to vote and process. The results were announced later in the meeting.

The full Nominating Committee Report follows:

M: Teaching Elder (Minister)
E: Ruling Elder
CRE: Commissioned Ruling Elder

The Nominating Committee of the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley:

1. Nominates for Vice Moderator of the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley for 2012:

VICE MODERATOR

(E) William Johnson, First Presbyterian Church, Boggstown

2. Nominates to serve the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley:

COORDINATING COUNCIL

Class of 2013 (To fill a vacancy)

(M) Peter Jessen

Class of 2015

(M) Jeanie Barnes, Member-at-Large, Fort Wayne

(M) Caroline Dennis, Second Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis

(M) Trish Lisa, First-Meridian Heights Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis

(E) Tom Bader, First Presbyterian Church, Noblesville

(E) Mary Schneider, First Presbyterian Church, Fort Wayne

(E) Phil Votaw, Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Class of 2015

(M) Ed Bell, Orchard Park Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY

Class of 2012 (To fill a vacancy)

(M) Laura Sherwood, Grace Presbyterian Church, Fort Wayne

Class of 2014 (New members)

(M) Bob Heimach, Irvington Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis

(M) Wally Wilson, Honorably Retired, Anderson

(E) Kaye Hirt Eggleston, Fairview Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis

(E) Janet M. Macklin, First Presbyterian Church, Decatur

(E) Carrie Jo Miller, First Presbyterian Church, Muncie

(E) Anita Mohr, First Presbyterian Church, Rushville

Class of 2014 (For re-election)

- (M) Nancy Howard, Christ Presbyterian Church, McCordsville
- (M) Scott Shelton, Zionsville Presbyterian Church, Zionsville
- (E) Mary Ruth Snyder, Orchard Park Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis

COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRYClass of 2014 (New members)

- (M) Deborah Bowsher, First Presbyterian, Portland
- (E) Mick Saunders, CRE, Trinity Presbyterian Church, Rushville

Class of 2014 (For re-election)

- (M) Richard Baker, Second Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis
- (E) Judy Lovejoy, Greenwood Presbyterian Church, Greenwood

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT RESPONSE TEAMClass of 2014 (New Member)

- (E) Pam Guernsey, Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis

Class of 2014 (For re-election)

- (M) Dawn Gold, First Presbyterian Church, Liberty
- (M) Robert Hunter, Honorably Retired, Indianapolis

PYOCA ADVISORY BOARDClass of 2014 (New Members)

- (M) Frank Mansell, John Knox Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis
- (E) Kerri Kemper, Faith Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis

Class of 2014 (For re-election)

- (E) Carol Foulke, First-Meridian Heights Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis

WESTMINSTER NEIGHBORHOOD MINISTRIES

Presbytery Representative:

Class of 2014

- (M) Charlotte Lohrenz, Faith Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis

COMMISSIONERS TO THE SYNOD OF LINCOLN TRAILS

(Need to elect one elder)

Class of 2014 (New Member)

- (E) Betty-Alice Almeida, First Presbyterian Church, Fort Wayne

Class of 2013 (To fill a vacancy)

- (M) Kevin Bausman, Member-at-Large, Indianapolis

COMMISSIONERS TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY

(For Biennial General Assemblies the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley is allotted six (6) commissioners – three (3) ministers and three (3) elders – plus one Youth Advisory Delegate.

MINISTER CANDIDATES (Vote for 3):Class of 2012

- (M) Judy Cook, Honorably Retired, Greenwood Presbyterian Church, Greenwood
- (M) Steve Ebling, Pastor, New Hope Presbyterian Church, Fishers
- (M) Rex Espiritu, Pastor, First Presbyterian Church, New Castle
- (M) Ruth Chadwick Moore, Associate Pastor, Northminster Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis
- (M) Gretchen Schneider, Pastor, Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis
- (M) Galen Schwarz, Associate Pastor, Irvington Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis



ELDER CANDIDATES (Vote for 3):Class of 2012

- (E) Miki Bean, Christ Presbyterian Church, McCordsville
- (E) Charles Chae, Korean Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis
- (E) Martha McDonald, Saint Andrew & Irvington Presbyterian Churches, Indianapolis
- (E) Cindy Muse, Orchard Park Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis
- (E) Fred Sess, First Presbyterian Church, Connersville
- (E) William Werling, Grace Presbyterian Church, Fort Wayne

YOUTH ADVISORY DELEGATES (Vote for 1):Class of 2012

- Ben Busald, Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis
- Tanner Madewell, First Presbyterian Church, Anderson

-----End of Nominating Committee Report-----

HISPANIC MINISTRIES LEAD TEAM

Rev. David Smith, Moderator of the Hispanic Ministries Lead Team, reported that relationships are complicated in the partnership with Northern Quintana Roo Presbytery as the Presbyterian Church of Mexico has dissolved their relationship with the PC(USA). Because our Presbytery voted in favor of Amendment 10A the relationships are difficult. A face-to-face meeting is being scheduled to determine the future of the partnership between Northern Quintana Roo and the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley. But there is much to celebrate even if the partnership comes to an end. The impact has been large as two new vital congregations are growing in our Presbytery as a result of that partnership. *Nueva Creación* in Indianapolis continues to grow and develop in different ways and the relationship with John Knox Presbyterian Church is a blessing to all. *Amistad Cristiana* in Fort Wayne is a new NCD in our Presbytery, using the campus of Calvary Third Presbyterian Church. Thanks was given to the Calvary Third Administration Commission and the congregation for all of their support.

ORDINATION EXAMINATION

Rev. David Comstock, Moderator of the Committee on Preparation for Ministry, presented Ms. Kate Ester to be examined for ordination as a Minister of Word and Sacrament, Teaching Elder. Kate was certified to receive a call by the Committee on Preparation for Ministry and has a call to do CPE Residency at St. Vincent's Hospital in Indianapolis. Following her faith statement and a period of examination by the members of the Presbytery, a motion to arrest the examination was made, seconded, and passed. Rev. Comstock moved to sustain the examination of Kate as Minister of Word and Sacrament, Teaching Elder, and that she be approved for ordination. There was no discussion. The motion passed. Family and friends from First Presbyterian Church of Muncie, Indiana, joined Kate and Rev. Ron Naylor led the Presbytery in prayer. Kate will be ordained on December 11th at First Presbyterian Church, Muncie, Indiana.

MY JOURNEY TO MINISTRY

Kate Ester shared her spiritual journey and how she deals with her own anxieties as well as her patients constantly facing anxieties. Her faith is strong as God guides and leads us and is in the midst of this horrible world.

COORDINATING COUNCIL REPORT

Rev. Joe Fields, Moderator of Coordinating Council, presented the Council report. Elder Gary Stebbins, Moderator of the Finance Committee, presented the finance report. Per Capita will be raised only \$1.50 instead of the anticipated \$3.00. **[See Appendix C for complete Finance Reports]**

The following Board of Directors' Report was part of the second posting and was received by the Presbytery:

The loans of the Presbytery and of the Presbytery's congregations were reviewed.

- The Plans of Pyoca Camp, conference and Retreat center for grounds improvement were reviewed and approved.
- The Audit report from K B Parrish & Co was received. They have found that our books are in order and no management letter was sent.
- By the time of our November Presbytery meeting the property to the south of Westminster Neighborhood Ministry should have been transferred to Indy-east Asset Development Corporation, so that a playground can be constructed with funds donated by the Legacy Foundation, the charitable arm of the Super Bowl. The terms of that transfer call for the property to be returned to the Presbytery at a later date.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE – ELECTION RESULTS

Stated Clerk Greg Thomas reported the following results of the election of General Assembly Commissioners:

Teaching Elder Commissioners Elected:

Gretchen Schneider
Steve Ebling
Rex Espiritu
Galen Schwarz, Alternate

Ruling Elder Commissioners Elected:

Bill Werling
Miki Bean
Martha McDonald
Cindy Muse, Alternate

Youth Advisory Delegate

Ben Busald

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY

Rev. Hal Thomas, Moderator of the Committee on Ministry, presented the report for COM. The Minimum Terms of Call for 2012 were presented. Hal moved on behalf of COM that the 2012 Terms of Call be approved. The motion passed. The full 2102 Minimum Terms of Call will be as follows:

Whitewater Valley Presbytery 2012 MINIMUM TERMS OF CALL Full-Time Pastorates

<u>MANDATORY</u>	<u>With Manse Provided</u>		<u>No Manse Provided</u>	
Minimum Cash Salary	(\$32,680)	\$33,856	(\$42,484)	\$44,013
Manse Value Maximum	(\$9,518)	\$10,157		
Accountable Travel Reimbursement (minimum) (per session-approved policy, mileage @ IRS rate)	(\$2,500)	\$2,800 (est)	(\$2,500)	\$2,800 (est)
Professional Development Allowance (vouchered, per year, cumulative to four years)	(\$1,000)	\$1,200	(\$1,000)	\$1,200
Four Weeks Vacation (including four Sundays) OR Five Weeks Vacation (including five Sundays) with 15+ years experience Two weeks professional development leave per year (cumulative up to eight weeks) Full Pension (2012 = 32.25%) based on Effective Salary, which is Cash Salary + Housing + Utilities (if paid) + Deferred Compensation (if paid) Full moving expenses (if applicable)				

For additional consideration:

The median effective salary for Whitewater Valley Presbytery as of May 2011, reported by the Board of Pensions, was \$60,166.

1. The Board of Pensions determines manse value as 30% of (cash salary + utilities & housing expenses + employee 403b) or fair market value. Fair Rental Value of church-owned housing must be determined by a qualified real estate appraisal and normally is not to be valued at more than 30% of Mandatory Minimum Cash Salary without clear evidence of actual value.
2. Mileage Reimbursement is an expense of the church and not compensation. It is substantiated and vouchered at the current IRS approved rate.
3. Pension dues (32.25% in 2012) are the responsibility of the employing congregations. The Board of Pensions has a helpful dues calculator available under the treasurer's link at www.pensions.org
4. A pastor is liable for a percentage of effective salary for Social Security and Medicare taxes. The Presbytery recommends employing congregations pay up to ½ the Social Security tax as an offset. Amounts not in excess of 50% are not included in calculating effective salary for the Board of Pensions, but are considered taxable income by the IRS. This is intended to help equalize the difference created by being taxed for Social Security at the IRS self-employed rate.
5. The Presbytery recommends employing congregations, in addition to salary, provide an amount equal to 4% of Effective Salary to reimburse ministers for a portion of medical costs not covered by the Board of Pensions (including dental and eye care, vouchered).
6. Vacation and Continuing Education are not pro-rated for part-time positions.
7. There is no longer a Board of Pensions cap on Effective Salary for pension purposes. Medical dues (20.25%) are paid on up to 200% of median salary. Pension dues (12%) are paid on full effective salary.

8. The Committee on Ministry strongly encourages congregations and pastors to create a matching fund for a 403b Retirement Savings Plan (available through the Board of Pensions). This is especially true for congregations that provide a manse, since the pastor is not accumulating equity on a home. *Note: Employer matching payments are not included in calculating effective salary for the Board of Pensions.*

Effective Salary = Salary + Housing + Utilities + Deferred compensation (e.g. 403b, insurance annuity, etc.). See the "Total Effective Salary Calculator" at www.pensions.org for additional information.

Excerpts from the Book of Order (2011-2013):

G-2.0804 The terms of call shall always meet or exceed any minimum requirement of the presbytery in effect when the call is made. The session shall review annually the minister's terms of call and shall propose for congregational action (G-1.0501) such changes as the session deems appropriate, provided that they meet the presbytery's minimum requirements. The call shall include participation in the benefits plan of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), including both pension and medical coverage, or any successor plan approved by the General Assembly.

G-3.0303(c) . . . the presbytery has authority to: . . . establish minimum compensation standards for pastoral calls and Certified Christian Educators within the presbytery

Minimum Terms of Call for Whitewater Valley Presbytery 2007-2012

Minimum Cash Salaries 2007-2012

year	minimum cash salary manse provided	minimum cash salary no manse provided	increase
2007	\$28,757	\$37,384	3%
2008	\$29,620	\$38,506	3%
2009	\$30,804	\$40,046	4%
2010	\$31,728	\$41,247	3%
2011	\$32,680	\$42,484	3%
2012	\$33,856	\$44,013	3.6%

Explanation of proposed changes for 2012:

Minimum Cash Salary: COLA for 2012 will be 3.6%.

Travel Reimbursement (minimum): This has remained unchanged since at least 2007, while the expense of travel has increased significantly because of higher gas prices. The 2012 standard rate will be released by the IRS later this year and is subject to change; reimbursement should be at the rate in effect at the time of travel. The current rate for business miles driven from July 1, 2011, through December 31, 2011 is 55.5 cents a mile.

Professional Development Allowance: This has remained unchanged since at least 2007, while the cost of books, conferences, and seminars has increased significantly. Other presbyteries offer far larger allowances, as do many Whitewater Valley churches. Churches should be encouraged to offer more support for professional development than the minimum whenever possible.

Note that the percentage basis for Social Security and Medicare taxes is not specified here, since it is subject to change.

The median effective salary for Whitewater Valley as established by the Board of Pensions is given, rather than the average of salaries reported to the Presbytery, since that figure is distorted by the omission of data from churches not reporting.

Relevant sections from the new *Book of Order* (2011-2013) are quoted.

[End of 2012 Minimum Terms of Call]

Rev. Thomas reported that the *Amistad Cristiana* bilingual congregation will be a new church development to become a chartered congregation in the future. He presented the following motion for the Committee on Ministry:

COM recommends to the Presbytery that an Administrative Commission consisting of the following individuals be formed to work with the *Amistad Cristiana* New Church Development as it eventually grows into a chartered congregation. The Commission will fulfill all duties and responsibilities of the session and meet regularly with the organizing pastor, Rev. Leonel Pech.

TEACHING ELDERS

Kevin Boyd of Fort Wayne Trinity
David Smith of Hartford City

RULING ELDERS

Carol Courtney of Fort Wayne Grace
John Current of Fort Wayne Grace
Charlie Hill of Fort Wayne United Faith

The motion passed.

ORDINATION EXAMINATION

Rev. Hal Thomas, Moderator of the Committee on Ministry, presented Mr. Jeffrey Lehn to be examined for ordination as a Minister of Word and Sacrament, Teaching Elder. Jeff attended Chicago Divinity School and has a call to the Head of Staff at First Presbyterian Church, Fort Wayne. Following his faith statement and a period of examination by the members of the Presbytery, a motion to arrest the examination was made, seconded, and passed. Rev. Thomas moved to sustain the examination of Jeff as Minister of Word and Sacrament, Teaching Elder, and that he be approved for ordination. There was no discussion. The motion passed. Family and friends from First Presbyterian Church of Fort Wayne, Indiana, joined Jeff and Rev. Ed Dykstra led the Presbytery in prayer. Jeff will be ordained and installed on November 27th at First Presbyterian Church, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

MY JOURNEY TO MINISTRY

Jeffrey Lehn shared his journey to ministry using Philippians 4:1-8 as his text.

HYMN

The singing of the hymn, "*Here I Am, Lord*," followed, appropriate after the examination of four candidates for ministry and leading into the Installation of the Presbytery Moderator and Vice Moderator and the Coordinating Council Moderator and Vice Moderator.

INSTALLATION OF 2012 PRESBYTERY MODERATOR AND VICE MODERATOR AND COORDINATING COUNCIL MODERATOR AND VICE MODERATOR

Moderator Judith Trabue conducted the installation of the new officers for 2012:

Presbytery Moderator:	Rev. Dena Vittorio, Rushville-First Presbyterian
Presbytery Vice Moderator:	Elder Bill Johnson, Boggstown-First Presbyterian
Coordinating Council Moderator:	Rev. Mark Morningstar, Shelbyville-First Presbyterian
Coordinating Council Vice Moderator:	Rev. Chérie Isakson, Winchester-First Presbyterian

Moderator Judith Trabue asked the Constitutional Questions, then gave the charge and the blessing.

The new Moderator, Rev. Dena Vittorio, expressed gratitude and appreciation for the job well done by Elder Judith Trabue as Moderator of Presbytery throughout 2011. She then gave thanks to all of the committee moderators who served in 2011:

Presbytery Moderator:	Elder Judith Trabue
Coordinating Council Moderator:	Rev. Joe Fields
Board of Directors President:	Rev. Galen Schwarz
COM Moderator:	Rev. Hal Thomas
CPM Moderator:	Rev. David Crowley
Finance Committee Moderator:	Elder Gary Stebbins
Personnel Committee Moderator:	Elder Lee Lange
Nominating Comm. Moderator:	Rev. David Layman
Session Record Review Moderator:	Elder John Current
Permanent Judicial Commission:	Elder Clara Rice

Well done, good and faithful servants!!

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

159 people registered for today's meeting.

A SONG OF PREPARATION AND COMMUNION

The singing of *“Let Us Break Bread Together”* preceded the service of communion. Rev. Gretchen Schneider, Pastor of Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis, led the communion service and administered the sacrament. Communion was served by intinction. Rev. Schneider closed the service with prayer.

ADJOURNMENT AND BENEDICTION

The 170th stated meeting of the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley was adjourned at 3:02 p.m. with the closing prayer by Moderator Rev. Dena Vittorio and the singing of *“God Be with You Till We Meet Again.”*

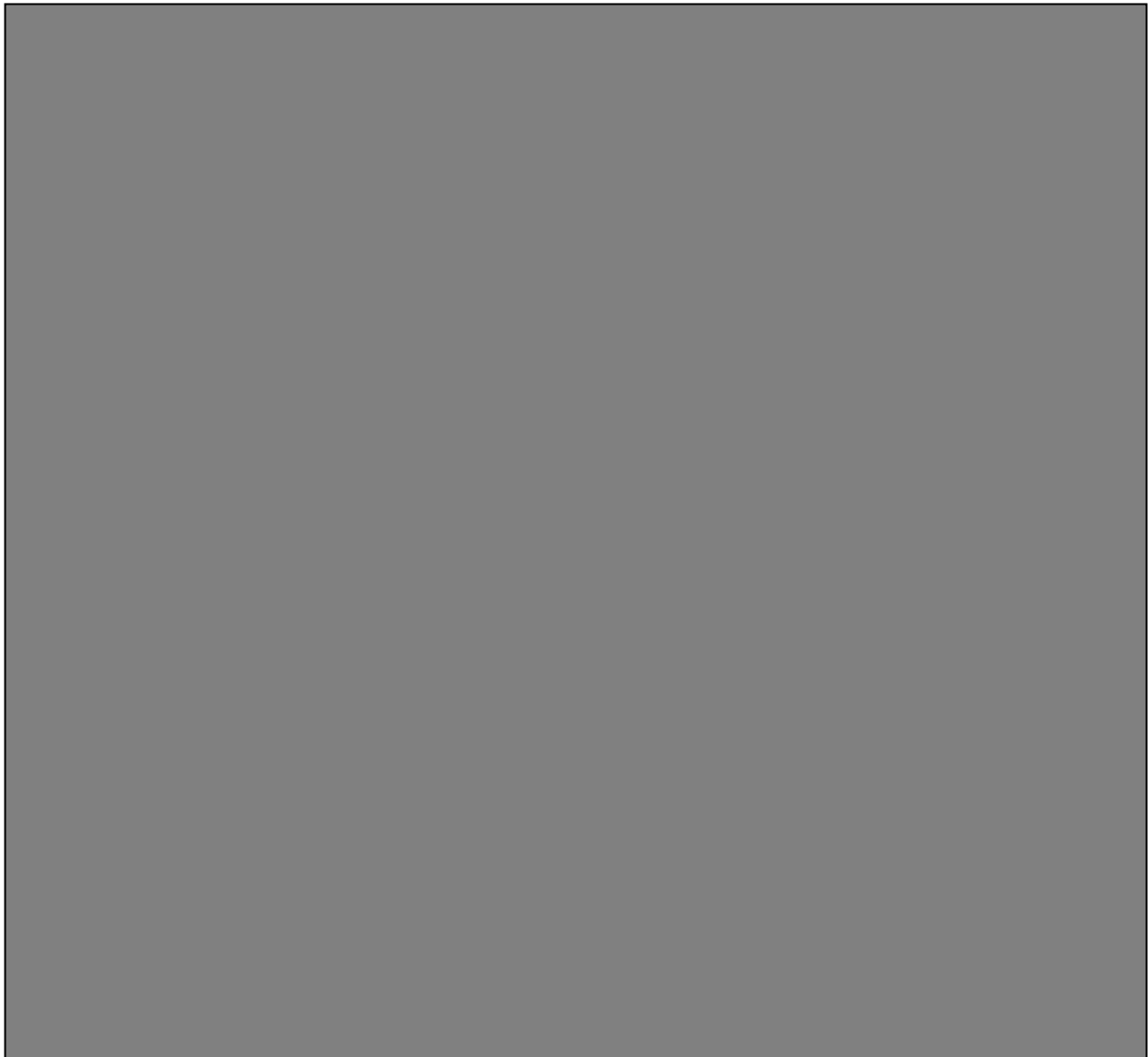
NEXT MEETING

The next stated meeting of the Presbytery will be on Saturday, February 25, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. at the Korean Presbyterian Church in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory Thomas, Stated Clerk

Ruth Ann MacPherson, Recording Clerk

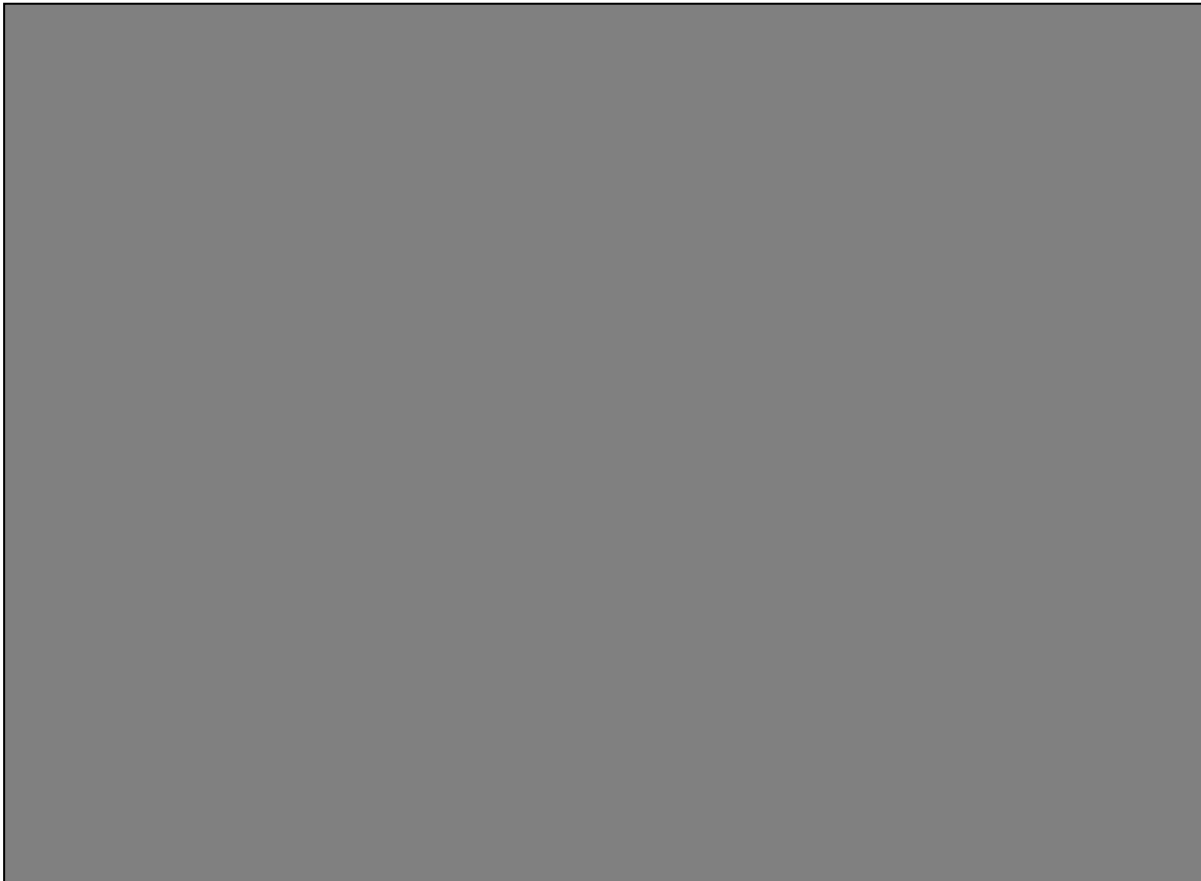


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A Dialogue about Our Ordination Vows

1. Although originally presented to the Leadership Development Team of Council as an one-year study and reflection, I would propose that we set aside two years in which to accomplish this effort together as a presbytery.
2. Each meeting during the two-year period would be set aside for study, reflection and discussion of one particular ordination vow; the ninth ordination vow would carry over into a third year to serve as both a review of our time together and a preparation for the next study and reflection.
3. As the Leadership Development Team plans the dockets for each of our presbytery assembly meetings, I would encourage the following:
 - Set aside 20 minutes during each meeting for small group discussions;
 - Invite a variety of individuals—candidates being examined for ordination, presbytery leaders, commissioners from different congregations—to share brief thoughts on the individual reflection questions;
 - Shape the “worshipful work” liturgy for each meeting around the ordination vow being considered at that meeting;
 - Encourage whoever is invited to preach at a particular meeting to focus the proclamation of the Word around the theme of the particular vow.



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