

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY

To Pittsburgh Presbytery
February 16, 2017

The commission met at 4:00 PM on February 8, 2017, in the Patrick Room of the Pittsburgh Presbytery Center. A quorum was present.

Part I: Items for Information

1. Session Visits

The commission reports a visit with the following congregation in order to discuss the role of the session in the preparation for ministry process:

- a. Sixth Presbyterian Church conducted on December 21, 2016

NOTES:

- If a person is considering ordination as teaching elder, it is important the person or the person's pastor seek current information from the chairperson of the Commission on Preparation or with the presbytery BEFORE being recommended by their Session.
- A session visit must be conducted before consideration of endorsement if one has not been made within the last three years.

2. Pre-Care Consultations

The commission reports a Pre-Care Consultation was conducted with the following Applicant:

- a. Davoli, Katherine (Sixth Presbyterian Church)

3. Initial Consultations

The commission reports an Initial Consultation was conducted with the following Inquirer:

- a. Cooper, Emily (I)

4. Annual Consultations

The commission reports Annual Consultations were reviewed and the following Inquirers (I) / Candidates (C) approved to continue under the care of Pittsburgh Presbytery:

- a. Bentley, Laura (C)
- b. Groenenboom, Annamarie (C)
- c. Nine, Jeffrey (C)

5. Enrollment of Inquirers

The commission reports the following person was examined and approved to be enrolled as Inquirer:

Davoli, Kate Kate Davoli, a member of Sixth Presbyterian Church since November 2008, graduated from the University of Pittsburgh in 2005, and expects to graduate from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary in June 2023.

6. Examination to be Received as Candidates

The commission reports the following Inquirer was examined and approved to be received as Candidate:

Voller, Victoria Victoria Voller, a member of Calvert Memorial Presbyterian Church since April 1993, graduated from Robert Morris University in 2006 and expects to graduate from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary in 2017. Victoria became Enrolled as an Inquirer in June 2014.

- 7. Ordination Examinations** The commission reports the following person has been given permission to re-take the examination(s) specified:
a. Knight, Britney (Church Polity)
- 8. Sermons Heard** The commission reports a sermon was heard for the following Candidate:
a. Schermerhorn, Ron
- 9. Certified Ready to Receive a Call** The commission reports the following Candidates were examined and approved to be Certified Ready to receive a call:
a. Groenenboom, Annamarie
b. Schermerhorn, Ron
- 10. Appointment of Commission for Ordination** The commission reports the following commission appointed to ordain the stated Candidate, with full authority to arrange and conduct the service subject to the requirements of the constitution of the Presbyterian Church (USA). The moderator or his/her appointee, shall be moderator of the commission and the first named minister after the moderator shall be the clerk:

Smith, Kendra If the way be clear, Kendra will serve as Worship Coordinator at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. Her service of Ordination is scheduled for 4:00 PM on Sunday, April 30, at Shadyside Presbyterian Church with the following commissioners: The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf, Moderator, the Rev. Jake Clawson, the Rev. Dr. Edwin Chr. Van Driel, Elder Beatrice Jones (Shadyside Presbyterian Church), and Elder Lynn Holden (Glenshaw Presbyterian Church).
- 11. Circulation of PIF** The commission reports the following Candidates have been approved to circulate his/her Personal Information Form:
a. Groenenboom, Annamarie
b. Schermerhorn, Ron
- 12. Withdrawal from Process** The commission reports the following person withdrew from the care process of Pittsburgh Presbytery:
a. Horner, Jake

Part II: Items for Action

- 1. Oral Parts of Trial** The commission recommends the following Candidate stand for his/her oral parts of trial (Statement of Faith included in packet materials):

Smith, Kendra Kendra Smith, a member of Shadyside Presbyterian Church since 2008, graduated from the University of Pittsburgh in 2008 and from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary in 2012. Kendra became Enrolled as an Inquirer in January 2010, Received as a Candidate in April 2014, and Certified Ready in February 2016. If the way be clear, Kendra will serve as Worship Coordinator at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary.