

**REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON MINISTRY
TO PRESBYTERY
February 7, 2017**

The Commission met in the conference rooms of the Presbytery Center on February 7, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

Part I - Items For Information

- 1. Positions Available** For the information of members of the Presbytery, the Commission lists the following positions within the Presbytery that are thought to be available. If the position is for pastor or associate pastor, listing here indicates that the Church Information Form has been filed with Louisville and the church is receiving PIF's:

Pastor	Crafton United Presbyterian Church, Crafton
Pastor	Sampson's Mills Presbyterian Church
Pastor	Sharon Community Presbyterian Church
Associate Pastor	First Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh
Associate Pastor	Westminster Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh
Associate Pastor (Youth)	Hampton United Presbyterian Church, Gibsonia
Full Time Interim Pastor	Glenshaw Valley Presbyterian Church, Glenshaw
Full Time Interim Pastor	Hiland Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh
$\frac{3}{4}$ Time Temporary Pastor	Logans Ferry Presbyterian Church, New Kensington
Part Time Temporary Pastor	Amity Presbyterian Church, Dravosburg
Part Time Temporary Pastor	Liberty Presbyterian Church, McKeesport
$\frac{1}{4}$ Time Temporary Pastor	Grandview United Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh
$\frac{1}{4}$ Time Temporary Pastor	The Presbyterian Church Mt. Washington, Pittsburgh

2. Pastor Emeritus

The Rev. Catherine Purves was named Pastor Emeritus for Bellevue United Presbyterian Church effective December 2, 2016.

3. Completion of Temporary Contracts

The completion of the contract between Hebron Presbyterian Church and the **Rev. Cinda Isler** effective January 31, 2017.

The completion of the contract between Oakdale United Presbyterian Church and the **Rev. Robin Humphreys** effective February 28, 2017.

- 4. The Rev. Darrell Knopp** will be serving as part time temporary pastor at Emlenton Presbyterian Church, Lake Erie Presbytery effective January 1, 2017.

- 5. The Rev. Betty Angelini** will be leaving Crestfield Camp and Conference Center effective February 20, 2017 to join Living River Camp and Conference Center in Birmingham, Alabama.

Part II - Items For Action

1. Consent Motions

The Commission recommends that the following recommendations be adopted by consent: **#s 2, 3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10.**

*2. Calls

The call of the First Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh for the services of the Rev. Dan Turis as Associate Pastor effective March 5, 2017. Annual terms of call are Salary \$26,800; Housing \$29,200; Full Pension Plan; Automobile Expense Allowance \$4,000; Reimbursement of Expenses \$3,000; Medical Expense 2% effective salary, Continuing Education \$1500; Book Allowance \$500; Parking \$4,320; Contributions to 403(b) \$2,500; Social Security offset \$4,639; full moving expenses; 4 weeks vacation and 2 weeks study leave.

Data	Women				Ethnic/Minorities				Disabled				TOT
	PIF	INT	POS	REF	PIF	INT	POS	REF	PIF	INT	POS	REF	
First, Pittsburgh	48	2	0	0	12	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	90

PIF – Number of Personal Information Forms received
INT – Number interviewed

POS – Number offered position
REF – Number refused position

TOT – All PIFs considered

*3. Moderators

The appointment of the **Rev. David K. Wood** as moderator of Glenshaw Valley Presbyterian Church effective February 1, 2017.

The appointment of **Rev. Laura Strauss** as moderator of Hebron Presbyterian Church effective February 1, 2017.

The appointment of **Rev. Dr. Bob Downs** as moderator of Clinton United Presbyterian Church effective April 24 – August 4, 2017.

The appointment of **Rev. Dr. Billy Younger** as moderator of Oakdale United Presbyterian Church effective March 1, 2017.

The appointment of **Rev. Steve Werth** as moderator of Community House Presbyterian Church effective March 13, 2017.

The appointment of **Rev. Dr. Roger Fischer** as moderator of the United Presbyterian Church of Buena Vista effective December 12, 2016.

The appointment of **Rev. Rebecca DePoe** as moderator of Liberty Presbyterian Church effective February 1, 2017.

***4. Temporary Pastors**

The request of the Glenshaw Valley Presbyterian Church for the services of **Rev. David K. Wood** as Interim Pastor effective February 1, 2017 for a period of one year.

The request of the Bethany Presbyterian Church for the services of **Rev. Melany Hamilton** as Interim Associate Pastor effective January 1, 2017 for a period of one year.

The request of Lincoln Place Presbyterian Church for the services of **Rev. Judith Slater, Rev. Joshua Fisher and Rev. Jim Davidson** as Temporary Pastors effective November 1, 2016 for a period of one year.

The request of the Carnegie Presbyterian Church to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Tom Moore** as Temporary Pastor for one year effective January 1, 2017.

The request of the Grace Memorial Presbyterian Church to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Ronald Peters** as Theologian in Residence for six months effective January 23, 2017.

The request of the Central Presbyterian Church in Tarentum to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Robert Dayton** as Temporary Pastor for one year effective January 1, 2017.

The request of the United Presbyterian Church in Ingram to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Aaron Teter** as Temporary Pastor for one year effective January 1, 2017.

The request of the Mosaic Community Presbyterian Church to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Saleem Ghubril** as Temporary Pastor for one year effective January 1, 2017.

The request of the Homestead United Presbyterian Church to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Sharon Stewart** as Temporary Pastor for four months effective September 1, 2016.

The request of the Homestead United Presbyterian Church to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Sharon Stewart** as Temporary Pastor for one year effective January 1, 2017.

The request of the Homestead United Presbyterian Church to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Joshua Fisher** as Temporary Pastor for four months effective September 1, 2016.

The request of the Homestead United Presbyterian Church to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Joshua Fisher** as Temporary Pastor for one year effective January 1, 2017.

The request of Mt. Pisgah Presbyterian Church to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Tom Ribar** as Temporary Pastor for one year effective January 1, 2017.

The request of Verona United Presbyterian Church to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Brian Diebold** as Temporary Pastor for one year effective January 1, 2017.

***5. Members At-Large**

The request of the **Rev. Cinda Isler** to be enrolled as a member at large of Pittsburgh Presbytery effective February 1, 2017.

The request of the **Rev. Robin Humphreys** to be enrolled as a member at large of Pittsburgh Presbytery effective March 1, 2017.

***6. Letters of Reception**

The Rev. David K. Wood from Wabash Valley Presbytery effective February 1, 2017.

The Rev. Karen Rohrer from Philadelphia Presbytery effective February 16, 2017.

The Rev. Owen Lewis Clark, HR from Western New York Presbytery effective February 16 2017.

The Rev. Dan Turis from Classis of Queens, Reformed Church of America effective March 5, 2017.

***7. Honorable Retirement**

The request of the **Rev. Dr. Wayne Peck** for honorable retirement effective March 12, 2017.

***8. Request to Close a Position**

The request of the Lincoln Place Presbyterian Church to close the position of Pastor effective October 31, 2016.

***9. Administrative Commission to Install**

The election of the following ministers and elders of Pittsburgh Presbytery to serve as an Administrative Commission to install the **Rev. Tara Thompson** as Associate Pastor of the Southminster Presbyterian Church on March 26, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. **The first named minister after the moderator to be clerk of the commission.** Moderator Rev. Heather Schoenewolf or her designee to moderate. Teaching Elders Dan Merry and Ayana Teter; Ruling Elder Marie Bowen, Elfinwild Presbyterian Church and Ruling Elder Karen Rossi, Southminster Presbyterian Church.

***10. Validated Ministries**

The Rev. Karen Rohrer's position of Director of the Church Planting Initiative at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary will be considered a validated ministry.

Kendra Smith's position of Worship Coordinator at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary will be considered a validated ministry, if the way be clear.