

# REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY

To Pittsburgh Presbytery

January 23, 2019

The commission met at 4:00 PM on January 23, 2019, 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 to discuss the role of the session in the preparation for ministry process:
  - a. Bower Hill Community Church conducted on November 26
  
2. **Pre-Care Consultations**        The commission reports Pre-Care Consultations were conducted with the following Applicants:
  - a. Boddy, Sharron (Bidwell Street United Presbyterian Church)
  - b. Emrick, Kristen (Unity Presbyterian Church)
  - c. Hancock, Frank (Oakmont Presbyterian Church, Commissioned Pastor Program))
  
3. **Enrolled as Inquirer**            The commission reports the following Applicants were examined and approved to be enrolled as Inquirers:  
  
    **Boddy, Sharron**    Sharron Boddy, a member of Bidwell Street United Presbyterian Church since 2013, graduated from the University of Pittsburgh in 2013 and from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary in 2017.  
  
    **Emrick, Kristen**    Kristen Emrick, a member of Unity Presbyterian Church since 2015, graduated from the American Public University in 2018, and is currently enrolled at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary.  
  
    **Hancock, Frank**    Frank Hancock, a member of Oakmont Presbyterian Church since 2015, graduated from Pennsylvania State University in 1977, and will be pursuing Commissioned Pastor training.
  
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. Sharp, Carol (I)
  
5. **Ordination Examinations**        The commission reports the following person has been given permission to take the four Senior Ordination Examinations:
  - a. Cochran, Marlaena
  
6. **Sermons Heard**                    The commission reports a sermon was heard from the following Candidate:
  - a. Reeder, Rebecca

7. **Certified Ready to Receive a Call / Circulation of PIF**      The commission reports the following Candidate was examined and approved to be Certified Ready to receive a call and to circulate her Personal Information Form:
- a. Reeder, Rebecca
8. **Appointment of Commission for Ordination**      The commission reports the following commission was 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:
- Rumbaugh, Benjamin      If the way be clear, Benjamin will serve as Chaplain Resident of the VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System. His Service of Ordination is scheduled for 2:00 PM on Saturday, March 16, at Sixth Presbyterian Church with the following commissioners: The Moderator or his designee, Rev. Dr. Vincent Kolb, Rev. Maggie Smith, Elder Peter Gilmore (Sixth Presbyterian Church) and Elder Dan Emerick (The Open Door Presbyterian Church).

## Part II: Items for Action

1. **Oral Parts of Trial**      The commission recommends the following Candidate stand for his oral parts of trial (Statement of Faith included in packet materials):
- Rumbaugh, Benjamin      Benjamin Rumbaugh, a Candidate under care of Muskingum Valley Presbytery, graduated from Xavier University in 2013 (Bachelor of Arts), from Heinz College of Carnegie Mellon University in 2017 (Master of Science), and from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary in 2018 (Master of Divinity). Benjamin became Enrolled as an Inquirer in on December 29, 2014, Received as a Candidate in September 14, 2017, and Certified Ready on October 18, 2018. If the way be clear, Benjamin will serve as Chaplain Resident of the VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System.