

**REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON MINISTRY
TO PRESBYTERY
February 13, 2020 Meeting**

The Commission met in the conference rooms of the Presbytery Center on February 4, 2020, 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 Ministry Information Form has been filed with Louisville and the church is receiving PIF's:

Pastor	Bull Creek United Presbyterian Church, Tarentum
Pastor	Clinton United Presbyterian Church, Clinton
Pastor	Cross Roads Presbyterian Church, Monroeville
Pastor	Jefferson United Presbyterian Church, Jefferson Hills
Pastor	Shadyside Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh
Pastor	Third Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh
Pastor	Waverly Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh
Pastor	Westminster Presbyterian Church, Upper St. Clair
Associate Pastor	Pleasant Hills Community Presbyterian Church, Pleasant Hills
Associate Pastor	Hebron United Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh
Part Time Temporary Pastor (26-28 hrs.)	Bellevue United Presbyterian Church, Bellevue
Part Time Temporary Pastor (16-18 hrs.)	Bethel United Presbyterian Church, Monroeville
Part Time Temporary Pastor (16-18 hrs.)	First Presbyterian Church, Castle Shannon
Part Time Temporary Pastor (8-10 hrs.)	Grand View UP Church, Pittsburgh
Part Time Temporary Pastor (16-18 hrs.)	Noblestown UP Church, Oakdale
Part Time Temporary Pastor (16-18 hrs.)	Valley Presbyterian Church, Imperial

2. Completion of Temporary Contracts

The completion of the contract between the Valley Presbyterian Church and the **Rev. Nancy Titus** effective February 15, 2020.

The completion of the contract between the Forest Hills Presbyterian Church and the **Rev. Anthony Rivera** effective January 6, 2020.

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. Moderators

The appointment of the **Rev. Wayne Meyer** as moderator of the United Presbyterian Church in Ingram effective January 1, 2020.

The appointment of the **Rev. Nancy Titus** as moderator of the Forest Hills Presbyterian Church effective February 16, 2020.

The appointment of the **Rev. Dennis Molnar** as moderator of the Hebron Presbyterian Church effective February 1, 2020.

The appointment of the **Rev. David Carlisle** as moderator of the Mt. Hope Presbyterian Church effective January 1, 2020.

The appointment of the **Rev. Dr. Cindy McClung** as moderator of the Valley Presbyterian Church effective February 16, 2020.

*3. Temporary Pastors

The request of the United Presbyterian Church in Ingram for the services of **Rev. Wayne Meyer** as Temporary Pastor for one-year effective January 1, 2020.

The request of the Cross Roads Presbyterian Church, Monroeville to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Sarah Robbins** as Interim Pastor for one-year effective January 1, 2020.

The request of the Third Presbyterian Church to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Karie Charlton** as Temporary Associate Pastor for one-year effective January 1, 2020.

The request of the Third Presbyterian Church to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Mary Louise Russell Perth** as Temporary Associate Pastor for one-year effective January 1, 2020.

The request of the Third Presbyterian Church to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. John Porter** as Interim Pastor for one-year effective January 1, 2020.

The request of the First Presbyterian Church of Elizabeth to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Benjamin Schneider** as Temporary Pastor for two months effective November 1, 2019.

The request of the First Presbyterian Church of Elizabeth to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Benjamin Schneider** as Temporary Pastor for one-year effective January 1, 2020.

The request of the Valley Presbyterian Church to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Nancy Titus** as Temporary Pastor for six months effective January 1, 2020.

The request of the Logans Ferry Presbyterian Church to renew the contract for the services of **Pastor Tim Sweigart** as Temporary Pastor for four months effective September 1, 2019.

The request of the Mt. Washington Presbyterian Church to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Tami Hooker** as Temporary Pastor for one-year effective January 1, 2020.

The request of the East Union United Presbyterian Church to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Mary Josephine Ramsey** as Temporary Pastor for one-year effective January 1, 2020.

The request of the John McMillan Presbyterian Church to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Matt Fricker** as Temporary Pastor for one-year effective January 1, 2020.

The request of the Shadyside Presbyterian Church to renew the contract for the services of **Rev. Dr. John Dalles** as Interim Pastor for one-year effective February 15, 2020.

***4. Letters of Reception**

The **Rev. Charles E. Glidden, HR** from Blackhawk Presbytery effective February 13, 2020.

***5. Enrollment in Temporary Membership**

The **Rev. Wayne Meyer**, member of The Western Pennsylvania Conference of The United Methodist Church, effective January 1, 2020.

***6. Letters of Dismissal**

The request of the **Rev. Ben Libert** to be dismissed to Washington Presbytery, effective January 18, 2020.

***7. Members At-Large**

The request of the **Rev. Robert Ruefle** to be enrolled as a member at large of Pittsburgh Presbytery effective January 1, 2020.

The request of the **Rev. Anthony Rivera** to be enrolled as a member at large of Pittsburgh Presbytery effective January 7, 2020.

***8. Calls**

The call of the Forest Hills Presbyterian Church for the services of the **Rev. Nancy Titus** as Pastor effective February 16, 2020. Annual terms of call are: Salary \$54,700.00; Full Board of Pensions Plan; Expense Allowance \$2,000.00; Medical Deductible 2%; Study Leave \$2,000.00; Social Security Offset \$4,531.00; four weeks vacation and two weeks study leave.

Data	Women				Ethnic/Minorities				Disabled				TOT
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Forest Hills	30	6	1	0									109

PIF – Number of Personal Information Forms received

POS – Number offered position

INT – Number interviewed

REF – Number refused position

TOT– All PIFs considered

***9. Administrative Commissions to Install**

The election of the following ministers and elders of Pittsburgh Presbytery to serve as an Administrative Commission to install the **Rev. Nancy Titus** as Pastor of Forest Hills Presbyterian Church on March 29, 2020, at 3:00 p.m. **The first named minister after the moderator to be clerk of the commission.** Moderator Rev. Charissa Howe or her designee to moderate. Ministers Linda Ruby and Don Brown; Elders Gary Molinaro (Pleasant Hills Community Presbyterian Church) and Holly McCullough (Bethel United Presbyterian Church, Monroeville).

***10. Commissioned Pastors**

Commission on Ministry recommends the request of The New Worshipping Communities Commission to approve **Ruling Elder Donald Barnes** (Open Door) and **Elder Lam Nguyen** (Pittsburgh Vietnamese Presbyterian Church) as Co-Commissioned Pastors for the Pittsburgh Vietnamese Presbyterian Church, each with full privileges for one-year effective January 19, 2020, and authorized to perform the following:

- Administer the Lord’s Supper.
- Administer the Sacrament of Baptism.
- Moderate the session.
- Have a voice in meetings of the Presbytery
- Have a vote in meetings of the Presbytery (such vote to be counted as an elder commissioner for purposes of parity).
- Perform a service of Christian marriage when invited by the session and permitted by state law.
- Perform a service of Christian burial when invited by the session.

The request of Bethel United Presbyterian Church for the services of **Elder Suzanne Good** as Commissioned Pastor for one-year effective February 15, 2020, and authorized to perform the following functions at Bethel United:

- Administer the Lord's Supper.
- Administer the Sacrament of Baptism.
- Moderate the session.
- Have a voice in meetings of the Presbytery
- Have a vote in meetings of the Presbytery (such vote to be counted as an elder commissioner for purposes of parity).
- Perform a service of Christian marriage when invited by the session and permitted by state law.
- Perform a service of Christian burial when invited by the session.

11. Commissioning of Commissioned Pastors

Pastors That Have Entered The Church Triumphant	
Rev. August Thalman	December 30, 2019
Rev. Dr. Beverly James	January 23, 2020