

Actions taken on behalf of Presbytery by the Committee on Ministry  
September 24, 2019 and 22 October, 2019

West Unity - **Approved** the appointment of Rev. Mary Beth McCandless as Moderator effective 20<sup>th</sup> October 2019 on Rev. Tom Steensma's retirement.

Lima Market Street –

- **Approved** 1) sustaining the COM examination of Rev. Kenneth Chorle on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2019 and 2) the request to transfer him to Maumee Valley Presbytery from The Peaks Presbytery effective 01<sup>st</sup> October 2019.
- **Approved** a 15-month contract between the session of Lima Market Street and Rev. Kenneth Chorle as full-time (3 yr.) Temporary Pastor leading to Installation, commencing October 1, 2019, **noting that the reimbursables do not meet Presbytery minimums**, as follows:
 

Total Effective Salary (15 Months)	\$ 59,122.19
SECA Allowance	\$ 4,523.00
Health Dues in Pastor's Participation	\$ 14,781.00
Pension Contribution (Employer)	\$ 6,504.00
Death & Disability	\$ 592.00
Reimbursables	\$ 3,250.00
Continuing Education	<u>\$ 625.00</u>
TOTAL FINANCIAL PROPOSAL	\$ 89,397.19
Vacation:	5 weeks (including 5 Sundays)
Continuing Education:	3 weeks (including 3 Sundays)
- **Approved** the appointment of Rev. Kenneth Chorle as Moderator effective 01<sup>st</sup> October 2019.

**Approved** withdrawing the motion sent to Presbytery re CRE Minimum Salary and making no recommendation.

**Approved** the MIF presented by Fairgreen Presbyterian Church, Toledo with the suggested changes.

**Approved** the MIF presented by First Presbyterian Church, Fostoria with suggested changes.

**Approved** the MIF presented by Tontogany Presbyterian Church.

**Approved** Rev. David Good to labor outside the bounds in Miami Valley Presbytery at St. Paul Lutheran Church (ELCA) in Versailles, OH.

**Approved** a motion to change the suggested honorarium for Pulpit Supply to \$140.00 per Sunday service (with additional \$70.00 for a 2<sup>nd</sup> service) + mileage.

**Approved** adding Edward Bettendorf to the Presbytery's Pulpit Supply List.

**Approved** adding Rev. Dr. Diane Christopherson (UCC) to the Presbytery's Pulpit Supply List.

**Approved** adding Ellen Hugunin to the Presbytery's Pulpit Supply List. (Ellen has completed the presbytery's lay preaching class).

**Approved** the additional Terms of Call and Contracts received since the last presbytery meeting.

## CRE report

### November 2019 Presbytery Meeting

- 1) We are exploring requiring all future CRE candidates undergo a Psychological Evaluation prior to being accepted into the program. Estimated cost is \$500.00-\$800.00.
- 2) The required Old Testament class is being taught by our own Stan Walters. Lora Manon and Edward Bettendorf are taking this class as part of their CRE training.
- 3) Today at Presbytery there is an open space event for current CRE's and those in the program or those not yet commissioned. We hope to meet with our CRE's to see how things are going, what is working and what needs attention, to dialogue about mentoring and CRE's needs, as well as to provide a time just for listening and sharing among our CRE's.
- 4) In 2020 we will be promoting our CRE program to encourage new students to apply. It takes about 18 months to 2 years to complete the course work. Our churches need YOU!



## **Open Space Opportunities @ First, Van Wert**

**November 19, 2019**

**2:00-3:00 p.m.**

**We will begin in the Sanctuary to introduce different opportunities,  
and then break out to different locations.**

The presbytery meeting at First Presbyterian Church of Van Wert on **November 19** will feature opportunity for Open Spaces after the end of the meeting. FPC, Van Wert is at 110 W Crawford St, Van Wert, OH 45891.

These are **open to ALL**...not just voting commissioners. Guests and visitors encouraged. Here are some of the Open Spaces planned already:

### **Mission Responsibility Through Investment (MRTI): Divestment? Engagement? It's Complicated...**

Rob Fohr, lead staff to the Presbyterian Church U.S.A.'s committee on Mission Responsibility Through Investment (MRTI), will give a presentation on how MRTI implements General Assembly directives and policies through its engagement with publicly traded companies.

### **Transitional Ministry Training: It's Not Just For Interims Anymore**

Come and hear why Transitional Ministry Training 1 is a tremendous continuing education option for every pastor doing ministry today. The sooner we recognize that ALL congregations are in transition and begin to adapt our ways of leading to that reality, the better! This Open Space is for ministers *and* ruling elders, come and learn about what Transitional Ministry Training has become. Conveners: Rev. Mary Beth McCandless, Rev. Ben Shaw, and Rev. Katie Treadway

### **Clerk Resourcing**

We will focus on Annual Reports and what clerks need to know and do. This will include Presbytery Reports as well as the Annual Statistical Reports to GA. Convener: Elder Lance Wiesmann

### **CRE Pow-wow**

Are you a Certified Ruling Elder (CRE) looking for more collegial relationships with others? Join this new cohort for CREs. Convener: Rev. Barry Sweet

# 2019

## ***2019 YEAR-END CLOSING***

In order to receive credit for  
the calendar year ending  
December 31, 2019



All checks must be  
received by Friday January  
10th, 2019