

Committee on Preparation for Ministry

Report to November 10, 2009
Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Missouri River Valley

The committee continues to meet monthly and to work with our Inquirers and Candidates who are attending seminary and seeking calls. We invite your prayers for those under our care:

Andrew Clausen (Dundee Presbyterian Church - Omaha) – an Inquirer and first year student at Trinity Evangelical Seminary, Deerfield, Illinois;

Brad Hertzler (Dundee Presbyterian Church - Omaha) – a Candidate and senior at Dubuque Theological Seminary, Dubuque, Iowa;

Susan Lockwood (Faith Presbyterian Church - Omaha) – a seminary graduate and Inquirer who is seeking to become a Candidate at this presbytery meeting;

Richard Morhardt (Church of the Cross - Omaha) – an Inquirer and first year student at Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky;

Michael Plank (Central Presbyterian Church – Omaha) – a Candidate and senior at McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago, Illinois;

Jessica Weitze (Dundee Presbyterian Church – Omaha) – a Candidate serving in educational ministry in Mexico, Missouri and a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, New Jersey.

In October 2009 two members of our committee, Bonnie Brown (Elder – Central Presbyterian– Omaha) and Rev. Deborah Boucher-Payne (Chaplain – University of Nebraska Medical Center) served as graders for the recent Ordination Examinations in Dallas, Texas. Bonnie will make a short report to you today.

Recommendation:

1) That the Presbytery of Missouri River Valley approves Susan Lockwood, an Inquirer in our presbytery, as a Candidate for Ministry (G-14.0405). Susan has been endorsed by the Session of Faith Presbyterian Church – LaVista and received the approval of CPM at our October 15, 2009 committee meeting. She has prepared a Statement of Faith for your consideration.

Grace and peace,
Gary

Rev. Dr. Gary S. Eller
Chair – CPM
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