

PRESBYTERY OF MISSOURI RIVER VALLEY
Stated Meeting Minutes: February 13, 2025 (via Zoom)

At 5:00 p.m. the orientation of new ruling elder commissioners was led by Elder, Ricky Holbert of the Faith Education and Leadership Development (FELD).

The Presbytery meeting was opened at 5:30 p.m. in prayer by Moderator, Rev. Matt Coplen.

The Presbytery was led in a call to worship, song and prayer of confession which was followed by the installation of Vice Moderator, Elder Ricky Holbert, First Presbyterian Church, Bellevue.

A quorum was established by Stated Clerk, Rev. Nancy Ross-Hullinger. Roll attached.

[Attachment 01]

No New Teaching Elders (MW&S) were introduced.

5 New Ruling Elder Commissioners were introduced.

Corresponding Member Craig Huffman Executive Director from Calvin Crest Camp, Conference and Retreat Center was seated.

Announcements:

Becky Balestri – One Day Preaching Seminar 2/20/25 at New Horizon Presbyterian Church, Council Bluffs-9:30 to 2:30, Cynthia Halvorson speaker.

Shelli Dart (FELD – Youth) Explained the Code of Conduct and desire for congregations to take and use as their own. **[Attachment 02]**

Reflection on Administrative Covenant 2025 was led by Vice Moderator, Elder Ricky Holbert

The Scripture for worship was: Luke 4:18-19 and Sandra Powers from Presbyterian Church of the Master gave the message. She reflected on the Good News of Hope especially for the poor and hungry. She shared her service as a volunteer at Open Door Mission. She spoke about reframing how we see the poor; reframing our thinking to see the poor how God does, and the question is no longer “What would Jesus do?” but rather to take action and do what Jesus did. She encouraged those who are able to help change the structural hinderances, and on a smaller scale for each of us to work in our neighborhood, church and city.

We followed the message with a song of response “The Wedding Banquet”.

We remembered those who have died in the faith in the last year. **[Attachment 03]**

A brief update on PDA and offering prayer was given by the Rev Marshall Zieman, Presbyterian Church of the Cross. The offering \$231 was dedicated to PDA and the CA wildfires. Two churches and many homes of Presbyterians were destroyed in the fires.

DECISIONS BEFORE US

The consent agenda was approved which included:

Approval of Minutes of the 11/7/24 Stated Meeting

Received Reports from Committees, Commissions, Leadership Team, and Administrative Team.
[Attachment 04]

Received report of Stated Clerk – Rev. Nancy Ross-Hullinger **[Attachment 05]**

Received Report from Nominations Committee Sarah Dickinson

Opened the floor for nominations, none were received. We then took action on report and approved the following nominees:

- Mission and Evangelism – Matt Coplen TE (FPC Plattsmouth) (Class of 2027, Term 2)
- Worship and Spirituality –Kris Oertell RE (PCM, Omaha) (Class of 2027, Term 2)
- Permanent Judicial Commission (PJC)
- J.D. Georlett TE (Dundee, Omaha) (Class of 2027, Term 1)
- Jayne Molacek RE (Hope, Omaha) (Class of 2027, Term 1)
- Al Zimmerman RE (Faith, LaVista) (Class of 2027, Term 1)
- Commission on Preparation for Ministry (CPM) – RE Dean Bogenhagen [Faith La Vista] (Class of 2027, Term 1)

Received Report of Treasurer and Stewardship of Resources **[Attachment 06]**

- Rev. Michael Elliott, Chair, Elder Dave Emry, Treasurer-Per capita to stay the same as last year.
- Received Report on 2024 Finances- Presbytery ended 2024 about \$70.000 ahead of last year.

We Recognized the Rev. Michael Elliott, who was ordained 9/13/1998 serving in Western PA, New Mexico, and FPC Bellevue. In PMRV he served on and is currently chairing SOR. Mike retired September 30, 2024

We were led in the celebration of the Lord’s Supper by Rev. Laura Rasmussen.

We sang “Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples,” and were sent out into the world with a benediction led by Vice Moderator, Elder Ricky Holbert.

Moderator, Rev. Matt Coplen adjourned the Presbytery with prayer at 6:45 p.m.

Stated Clerk – Rev. Nancy Ross-Hullinger

Attachments

1. Roll
2. PMRV Child and Vulnerable Adult Code of Conduct
3. 2024 Necrology Report
4. Committee/Commission/Leadership Team/Admin Team Reports
5. Stated Clerk Report
6. Financial Statements
7. 2024 Digest of Actions

2/13/2025 PMRV Stated Meeting Attendance via Zoom

Present	Vote	First Name	Last Name	Church/Organization Name	Role
1	1	Robert	Sieck	Bethany	CRE
1	1	Linda	Reffert	FPC Bellevue	CRE
1	1	Allan	Zimmerman	Mount View	CRE
1	1	Marcia	Cline	Trinity Pres	CRE
1	1	Vicki	Hallberg	Bethany Pres	Eld
1	1	Kailey	Van Treeck	Discovery Pres	Eld
1	1	Greg	Babbe	Dundee	Eld
1	1	Amy	Rodie	FPC Omaha	Eld
1	1	Patricia	Shipley	FPC Villisca	Eld
1	1	Joel	Brady	Mount View	Eld
1	1	Patricia	Tooles-Dyer	New Life Pres	Eld
1	1	Rick	Lockwood	Oakland. Sharon	Eld
1	1	John	Burg	PCM	Eld
1	1	Steve	Brosz	Peace Pres	Eld
1	1	Richard	MCCLURE	United Trinity	Eld
1	1	Rene	Padilla	West Hills Church	Eld
1	1	Ricky	Holbert	FPC Bellevue	LT
1	1	David	Friedli	Murray Pres	LT
1	1	David	Emry	PMRV Treasurer	LT
1	1	Paul	Williams	Anderson Grove	Min
1	1	Nancy	Ross-Hullinger	Bethany and Gethsemane	Min
1	1	Suzanne	Gorhau	Carson & Oakland Sharon	Min
1	1	Jay	Cline	Clarinda Westminster	Min
1	1	Sarah	Dickinson	Discovery	Min
1	1	J.D.	Georlett	Dundee Pres	Min
1	1	Becky	Balestri	Faith Pres	Min
1	1	Sandra	Rossander	FPC	Min
1	1	Gary	Eller	FPC Omaha	Min
1	1	Matt	Coplen	FPC Plattsmouth	Min
1	1	Michael	Geiler	Hope Pres	Min
1	1	William	McConnell	Murray Presbyterian Church	Min
1	1	Carolyn L	Grice	New Life Pres	Min
1	1	Cindy	Harvey	PCM	Min
1	1	Aaron	White	PCM	Min
1	1	Joshua	Garry	PCOC	Min
1	1	Marshall	Zieman	PCOC	Min
1	1	Brian	Long	Peace Pres	Min
1	1	Richard	Meyer	Personnel Committee	Min
1	1	Caryn	Pedersen	Red Oak	Min
1	1	Michael	Elliott	Retired Minister Member	Min
1	1	Karen	Moritz	Retired Minister Member	Min
1	1	Rick	Sleyster	Retired Minister Member	Min

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1	1	Robert	Rose	USAF	Min
1		Craig	Huffman	Calvin Crest	Vis
1		Anne Marie	Browning	Carson	Vis
1		Shelli	Dart	FPC Bellevue	Vis
1		Courtney	Dake	Hamburg	Vis
1		Regina	Jeanpierre-Bryant	New Life Pres	Vis
1		Merri	Minor	New Life Pres	Vis
1		Sandra	Powers	PCM	Vis
1		Marilyn	Puett	PCM, Recording Clerk	Vis
1		Ardys	Hansum	PCOC	Vis
1		Nicole	Geiler	PMRV	Vis
1		Tim	Owen		Vis

54	TOTAL in attendance
43	TOTAL eligible to vote

11	NO VOTE - Visitors
28	Vote - Ministers/Commissioned Ruling Elders (Min or CRE)
12	Vote - Elder Commissioners (Eld)
3	Vote - PMRV Committee Chair/Leadership Team (LT)
	Vote - Stated Clerk (SC - if not counted elsewhere)
43	VOTE - TOTAL number of persons eligible to vote

- *Every church gets one (1) elder commisioner vote
- *Ministers and Commissioned Lay Pastors (CLP/CRE) get one (1) vote each
- *Every Committee Chair (LT) gets one (1) vote (even if their church has a commissioner vote)
- *Stated Clerk gets one (1) vote

PMRV Child and Vulnerable Adult CODE OF CONDUCT

Supervision and Leadership in Presbytery and church events is for the nurturing of young people in their faith, to provide a safe and healthy environment, to be a positive role model, and to be a kind and supportive mentor.

The physical, emotional, and spiritual well-being are the priority, and all activities will have these goals as the focus of all participants.

The rule of three is in effect at all times, including youth. No adults or young people should be in a one-on-one situation with one youth. This includes in a room, building, or vehicle. If an adult is transporting young people, there must be a minimum of 2 young people in the vehicle. Transportation should only be in a non-smoking vehicle driven by an adult; youth should not be transporting youth unless previously approved by both sets of parents/guardians.

There should be 2 adults present at all events/activities, one of each gender if possible. In larger groups there should be 1 adult present for each group of 8 children (K-6) and 1 adult present for each group of 10 youth (7-12) as well as following the 2-adult minimum rule.

If one-on-one counseling is required, the adult should be visible at all times. If the room does not have a window, the door must remain open. For the youth's privacy they do not need to be visible, but the adult must always be visible.

No adult should ask to follow a young person on any form of social media. If a young person asks to follow an adult, the adult should make sure the parent/guardian is aware and approves. Before allowing a young person to interact on social media, the adult must assure what they post is appropriate for all ages. An adult should never follow a young person on social media that is not transparent or visible. For example, apps like Snapchat or BeReal and similar apps, are not acceptable.

Hugs should be initiated by the young person, never the adult. Fist bumps and high fives are preferred.

Tickling, backrubs and massaging are prohibited. Also, no kissing, including head kissing or cheek-to-cheek air kisses.

When participating in events/activities with children and youth, no participants of any age may use tobacco, vaping, alcohol, drugs or any other illegal substances.

All adults functioning in church and presbytery events are mandatory reporters. If child abuse or neglect is suspected, the first point of contact in **Nebraska**: 1-800-652-1999 (Child Abuse Hotline) or local law enforcement for **Iowa**: 1-800-362-2178 (Child Abuse Hotline) followed immediately by contacting Head of Staff. If the Head of Staff is involved in the incident, report to the Chair of Personnel. It is not your responsibility to research or obtain details, it is your responsibility to report and let the professionals investigate.

Name _____

Date _____

2024 PMRV Necrology Report (for 2/13/2025 Presbytery Meeting)

Precious in Your sight, O God, is the death of Your faithful ones. Psalm 116:15

Church Name	Title	First Name	Last Name	Death
PMRV Minister Member	Rev.	Chester "Chet"	Mason	12/12/2024
Dundee Presbyterian Church	Elder	Dick	Browning	1/29/2024
Underwood Hills Presbyterian Church	Elder	Marilyn	Dirks	12/9/2024
First Presbyterian Church Shenandoah	Elder	Richard	Dozier	9/3/2024
Presbyterian Church of the Cross	Elder	Carol	Dworak	3/1/2024
Westminster Presbyterian Church Council Bluffs	Elder	Jolene	Fields	5/13/2024
First Presbyterian Church Omaha	Elder	Phillip	Franco	10/25/2024
Dundee Presbyterian Church	Elder	Frank	Gaines	11/17/2024
First Presbyterian Church Omaha	Elder	Aaron	Gillespie	5/23/2024
First Presbyterian Church of Plattsmouth	Elder	Mary Kathleen	Gorton	4/19/2024
Presbyterian Church of the Master	Elder	Rick	Gough	9/25/2024
Underwood Hills Presbyterian Church	Elder	Diane	Greenfield	12/15/2024
Carter Lake Community Presbyterian Church	Elder	Dorothy May	Harris	6/25/2024
First Presbyterian Church of Bellevue	Elder	Shirley	Hartranft	12/2/2024
Carter Lake Community Presbyterian Church	Elder	Michael Dean	Hawkins	11/24/2024
Dundee Presbyterian Church	Elder	Julie	Hertzler	2/21/2024
Discovery Presbyterian Church	Elder	Georgia	Hruska	9/17/2024
First Presbyterian Church of Bellevue	Elder	Margaret	Jackson	6/7/2024
First Presbyterian Church of Bellevue	Elder	Lloyd	Johnson	2/3/2024
New Life Presbyterian Church	Elder	Bennie	Jones, Sr.	11/6/2024
Presbyterian Church of the Cross	Elder	Charles	Krumme	6/12/2024
Hope Presbyterian Church	Elder	Martin	Kurtz	12/23/2024
First Presbyterian Church of Plattsmouth	Elder	Elbie	Lamb	8/31/2024
Presbyterian Church of the Master	Elder	Gerald	Ludwig	7/23/2024
Presbyterian Church of the Cross	Elder	Betty	Mack	12/3/2024
Discovery Presbyterian Church	Elder	Tom	Martin	5/9/2024
Dundee Presbyterian Church	Elder	John	McLellan	1/24/2024
First Presbyterian Church of Bellevue	Elder	JoAnne	Nielsen	12/2/2024
Dundee Presbyterian Church	Elder	Susan	Ogborn	1/11/2024
Dundee Presbyterian Church	Elder	Harry	Reyburn	4/14/2024
Presbyterian Church of the Master	Elder	Ed	Rhue	3/1/2024
First Presbyterian Church of Bellevue	Elder	Marilyn	Schlafman	7/8/2024
Presbyterian Church of the Cross	Elder	Don	Sievers	3/11/2024
Red Oak Presbyterian Church	Elder	William	Stuvick	9/11/2024
First Presbyterian Church of Plattsmouth	Elder	Della	Sullivan	2/2/2024
Westminster Presbyterian Church Council Bluffs	Elder	Royce	Tornblom	5/1/2024
Westminster Presbyterian Church Clarinda	Elder	Richard	Wiese	9/23/2024
Underwood Hills Presbyterian Church	Elder	Sherry Lynn	Woodard-Rush	10/18/2024

Committee and Commission Reports For Stated Meeting, February 13, 2025

Administrative Team/Moderator Team – submitted by Rev. Sarah Dickinson

Headlines

1. We are committed to being “radically helpful” to congregations.
2. As a part of that we have a *Child Protection Task Force* component in our Dec, Jan and February meetings. Shelli Dart (FELD) and Nicole Geiler (PMRV Office and Communications Coordinator) have been joining AT & MT meetings. Through this we recommend the use of a *Code of Conduct* in all churches. We are sharing an example Code with the whole presbytery. We think this is an easy first step in compliance and excellence in care for vulnerable people. Did you get a copy of this yet? Do you have any questions?
3. We have been developing the annual Leadership Training and Retreat for January 21. (and it has occurred. About 20 leaders representing PMRV’s broad structure attended.) Please let us know what would be helpful to your congregation. For example, some churches have lost insurance. Do you need help or can you share wisdom? We are all on the same team.

Admin Team (AT): Nancy Ross-Hullinger, Gregg Miller, Sarah Dickinson/notetaker

Moderator Team (MT): Marcia Cline, Matt Copen, Ricky Holbert

Calvin Crest – submitted by Rev. Craig Huffman, Director

The Calvin Crest Board of Directors met on January 10-11, 2025 for their annual overnight retreat. Board elections and committee assignments were completed along with the routine work of the board. In addition, the Board nominated a new board member to replace Frank Gaines who passed away unexpectedly in November.

Discussions about strategy, policies and steps to enhance the programmatic offerings of Calvin Crest were beneficial.

Commission on Ministry – submitted by David Friedli, Moderator

- Dismissed one (1) PMRV member to another presbytery, removed one (1) member upon passing
- Added two (2) members to PMRV after background check and interview
- Validated seven (7) ministries within PMRV
- Assisting four(4) churches currently in the search/call process for Teaching Elder or Associate Pastor
- Participated in the Administrative Commission to close one member church
- Approved eight (8) Temporary Pastoral Relationships with congregations
- Approved Communion for five (5) related ministries within PMRV
- Monitored and assisted three (3) Interim Pastors and four (4) CRE serving in the Presbytery
- Received reports from five (5) Care Teams regarding personal contact with member congregations and pastors
- Hosted PMRV Open House for pastors, spouses and staff December 4, 2024
- Thanked seven (7) members for their service on COM and welcomed four (4) new members. (The Commission is still 5 members short of full membership.)

Commission on Preparation for Ministry – submitted by Rev. Brian Long, chair

During the last three months, the biggest change has been in the CPM personnel. Al Zimmerman handed the chair to Brian Long. Diane Greenfield, who had been the clerk, passed away.

As of this report, there are supposed to be three elders and three ministers of Word and sacrament on the committee. However, there are three ministers. There is one elder, but due to health issues, is, for the moment unavailable.

The Chair, Brian Long, has met independently with an inquirer, Regina Jeanpierre-Bryant, to discuss preparations for taking the ordination exams.

The next meeting of the CPM is scheduled for 2/6/25 at 4:30 p.m. The three ministers have committed to the meeting at this time.

Faith Education Leadership Development (FELD) – submitted by Rev. Suzanne Gorhau

Members: Suzanne Gorhau, Rudy Wang, Ricky Holbert, Jim Gaines, Lynda Shafer, Aaron White

Current projects:

- Pastors/Educators' Retreat before the August Presbytery Meeting
- Church Officer/Leader Training for February 2026
- Promoting scholarships for Camp Calvin Crest and Synod School so more people in the presbytery will take advantage of them
- New Commission Training for each presbytery meeting
- Sorting through resources at the Presbytery Office
- A spiritual formation group led by interim pastor Rev. Laura Rasmussen

Mission and Evangelism – submitted by Rev. Matt Coplen, chair

Committee Members: Matt Coplen, Sarah James, Carolyn Grice, Rebecca Nichole, James Reiff

Komarek Trust Grants

The committee received 7 grant requests from Presbytery of Missouri River Valley. We approved all 7 requests and were able to grant each congregation \$2,542.87 for each proposed project. The following churches will be receiving Komarek Trust grants:

- Faith Presbyterian Church, LaVista
- Faithful Shepherd Presbyterian Church, Omaha
- Gethsemane Presbyterian Church, Council Bluffs
- Hope Presbyterian Church, Omaha
- Mount View Presbyterian Church, Omaha
- New Life Presbyterian Church, Omaha
- West Hills Church, Omaha

Komarek Trust Scholarships

Regina Jeanpierre-Bryant was awarded a scholarship in the amount of \$2,595.00 for her continued studies at Dubuque Theological Seminary.

Jessica Schoepner was awarded a scholarship in the amount of \$3,405 for her continued studies at Fuller Theological Seminary.

Presbytery Meetings

A new task of the Mission & Evangelism Committee is to make recommendations for the offerings received at Presbytery meetings. Since three of our meetings are going to be in person in 2025, we will be working with Faith Presbyterian Church, Camp Calvin Crest and First Presbyterian of Bellevue concerning the offerings received at those respective locations.

For the February 13th Presbytery meeting, Leadership Team approved a recommendation to direct the offering to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and their work with those impacted by the fires in Los Angeles and surrounding areas.

Nominating Committee – submitted by Rev. Sarah Dickinson (updated 2/12/2025)

On behalf of the Nominating Committee, I place these names into nomination

- Mission: Matt Coplen TE [FPC Plattsouth], (Class of 2027, Term 2)
- Worship: Kris Oertell RE [PCM], (Class of 2027, Term 2)
- PJC:
 - JD Georlett TE [Dundee Pres] (Class of 2027, Term 1)
 - Jayne Molacek RE [Hope Pres] (Class of 2027, Term 1)
 - Al Zimmerman CRE [Faith La Vista] (Class of 2027, Term 1)
- CPM: Doug Bogenhagen RE [Faith La Vista] (Class of 2027, Term 1)

Personnel Committee – submitted by Rev. Richard Meyer and Elder Pam Otto, co-chairs

Kathy Moore's second term as chair on Personnel concluded in January. She was so good at her job that it will take two people to replace her! She passed along the chair baton to Richard Meyer and Pam Otto who will serve as co-chairs this year.

Our presbytery has three wonderful part-time employees whom we cherish ... Nicole Geiler our office and communications coordinator, Tina Claus our accounting specialist, and Nancy Ross-Hullinger our stated clerk. While Nancy Ross-Hullinger became our duly voted upon stated clerk this past fall, August 14, 2024 marked Tina's five year anniversary with us and Nicole Geiler will celebrate her fifth year with us on June 1 of this year.

Over this past year our staff has identified several efficiency and cost-containment measures and will continue to do so in the future. We have also begun exploring their remote work options as well as reducing or eliminating reliance on a physical office building.

Those serving on the Personnel Committee this year include Richard Meyer, (Retired Clergy), Pam Otto (Elder, PCOC), Cindy Harvey, (Clergy - Church of the Master), Shari Dillehay (Elder, Bethany), and Sarah Dickinson (Clergy, Discovery), serving as Administrative Team Liaison.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

No Report

Self-Development of People – Rev. Carolyn Grice, chair

No Report

Stewardship of Resources (SOR) – submitted by Rev. Michael Elliott, chair

Since the last meeting of Presbytery, this Committee has:

- Monitored sale of property matters for our churches.
- Monitored monthly financial reports of the Presbytery.
- Discussed ways that SOR can help our congregations with performing yearly financial reviews, helping with BOP dues and serving as a resource for churches and pastors regarding financial matters. Please contact us if you have questions. We are glad to help in any way that we can!!!!
- Looking back at 2024:
 - We were able to produce a budget for 2025 that required only \$700 dollars from Presbytery reserves. Due to careful spending in all areas of the budget, it is possible

to absorb a \$1.04 increase in General Assembly's portion of per capita AND still hold per capita for 2025 at the 2024 rate of \$40.80 per member.

- 2024 ended roughly \$70,000 in the black. This was only possible by careful planning and stewardship on the part of every Presbytery committee and commission as well as strong performance from our investments.
- Approximately 94% of per capita was received from our congregations.

Social Justice and Peacemaking – submitted by Rev. Carolyn Grice, chair

Since the last presbytery meeting...

Tamika Mease, Executive Director of the North Omaha Community Partnership (a nonprofit organization that focuses on crime prevention and providing resources to families in crisis), provided information on the Crisis Fund that is used to assist families who may have lost a loved one to homicide or some other form of violence or tragedy. They relocate families when their homes have been shot by gunfire, or someone may have been killed in the home. They provide emergency shelter, food and clothing. They help with funeral preparations. They provide mental and behavioral health assistance for families to deal with the trauma they have experienced.

The committee reviewed Overture 24A and has recommended that PMRV concur.

Worship and Spirituality Committee – submitted by Rev. Becky Balestri (chair) and Rev. Robert Keefer (clerk)

Since the last meeting of Presbytery, this Committee has:

- Continued monthly Theology on Tap gatherings for church leaders and members to discuss topics in theology
- Planned worship for the February Presbytery meeting and discussed the theme for 2025
- Planned and executed a time of worship and fellowship for church leaders January 23
- Planned a preaching seminar for February 20
- Prepared our recommendation to the Presbytery with respect to proposed amendment to the Constitution 24-B.

Report of the Stated Clerk
For February 13, 2025 Presbytery of Missouri River Valley Stated Meeting

I. FOR THE RECORD

- A. The Presbytery's annual report to the General Assembly has been submitted. PMRV began 2024 with 42 churches and ended 2024 with 41, with the dissolution of Westminster Presbyterian Church, Council Bluffs. PMRV began 2024 with 72 minister members. One death was reported during the year. Three ministers were dismissed to other presbyteries. One minister was ordained. Two were received from other presbyteries. Thus, PMRV ended 2024 with 71 minister members.
- B. Minutes of the Presbytery since March 1998 are currently on hand in the Presbytery office in Omaha. All earlier volumes have been deposited with the Presbyterian Historical Society in Philadelphia, PA.
- C. The Presbytery holds property insurance and liability insurance, as required by the Constitution (G-3.0112).
- D. The Stated Clerk is required to report annually to Presbytery the names of former members of the Permanent Judicial Commission whose terms have expired within the last six years:
Class of 2024 – TE Nick Dougherty, TE Bob Keefer, RE Bob Sieck
Class of 2022 – TE Becky Balestri, TE Deena Candler, RE Rana Johnson (Church of the Cross)
Class of 2020 – TE Dwight Williams, RE Jason Bottlinger (Dundee Presbyterian)
RE Jim Campbell (New Horizon)
- E. Review of PMRV 2023 Minutes by Synod of Lakes and Prairies was held May 5-7, 2024, The Minutes were found to be in order with minor exceptions.
- F. Correspondence and Clerk activity:
 1. All correspondence has been answered and forwarded, as needed.
 2. Consulted with Committees, Commissions, Sessions, and Presbytery members as requested or as contacted.
 3. Contacts were made with Presbytery churches with active Pastor Nominating Committee's in place to connect them with a COM member for training.
 4. Consulted with Synod of Lakes and Prairies and Office of General Assembly as necessary.
 5. Updated Stated Clerk data requirements of OGA as per requests and authorization.
 6. Participated in COM Meetings on November 26, 2024 and January 28, 2025.
 7. Dates will be set in March for training for new clerks of session.
 8. Completed and submitted all 2024 OGA Mid Council Reports and Statistical reports required from the Presbytery.
 9. Prepared Digest of 2024 Actions and materials related to the February 2025 Stated Meeting.
 10. Attended monthly Administrative Team Meetings/Moderator Team Meetings (except when on sabbatical)
 11. Attended monthly Leadership Team Meetings (except when on sabbatical)
 12. Prepared Leadership Team materials and minutes.
 13. Prepared draft dockets for Presbytery meetings and met with Moderator/Docket planning group.

14. Participated in Association of Mid-Council Leaders and Association of stated clerks virtual gatherings.
15. Assisted clerks with annual statistical reports
16. Monthly meeting with Nicole and Tina
17. Prepared and forwarded information to committees on Overtures from General Assembly that we will have before us in May.
18. Ongoing and updating of resources for clerks and presbytery members
19. Attend pastor zooms when able
20. Calls, emails, face-to-face, zoom, texts, to connect with whoever needs my assistance.

Presbytery of Missouri River Valley
Continuing Accounts

Attachment 06

For the Twelve Months Ending December 31, 2024

Account Number	Acct Description	Begin Balance Jan 1	Receipts YTD	Disbursements YTD	Ending Balance
2095.03	Net Assets	1,533,261.60	\$ 0.00	0.00	1,533,261.60
2095.05	Pantry	0.00	2.00	(2.00)	0.00
2095.11	Desig TE & Candidate Assist	15,355.43	0.00	0.00	15,355.43
2095.19	Peacemaking	9,575.79	1,893.25	0.00	11,469.04
2095.20	In/Out Clearing	0.00	875.00	0.00	875.00
2095.28	National Youth Events	16,549.98	5,000.00	0.00	21,549.98
2095.29	Youth Ministry	25,774.49	0.00	(734.01)	25,040.48
2095.31	Resource Center	(270.04)	0.00	(101.52)	(371.56)
2095.321	Restricted Church Developm	10,856.54	1,834.02	(4,398.85)	8,291.71
2095.34	Nicaragua Partnership	7,821.66	10,084.59	(13,950.00)	3,956.25
2095.37	Self Development of People	240.23	0.00	0.00	240.23
2095.42	Sudanese Working Group	200,913.26	2,850.09	(27,420.15)	176,343.20
2095.44	HELP	0.00	250.00	(250.00)	0.00
2095.45	Calvin Crest	0.00	2,105.00	(2,105.00)	0.00
2095.52	Crossroads Connection	827.00	1,500.35	(1,952.35)	375.00
2095.53	Disaster Response-General	333.54	144.83	(478.37)	0.00
2095.531	PDA Grants	10,590.95	15,620.41	(1,500.00)	24,711.36
2095.532	Disaster Relief Local NE & I	43,254.23	19,053.34	(52,950.63)	9,356.94
2095.68	Westminster Omaha Sale	56,834.05	0.00	0.00	56,834.05
2095.69	Westminster Omaha Bequest	4,179.79	3,507.77	(4,179.99)	3,507.57
	Totals	<u>1,936,098.50</u>	<u>\$ 64,720.65</u>	<u>(110,022.87)</u>	<u>1,890,796.28</u>
	<u>Other Non-budgeted accounts</u>				
	Mission Giving Account	<u>16,211.73</u>	<u>\$ 144,009.22</u>	<u>(144,331.90)</u>	<u>15,889.05</u>
	Totals	<u>16,211.73</u>	<u>\$ 144,009.22</u>	<u>(144,331.90)</u>	<u>15,889.05</u>

Presbytery of Missouri River Valley

Statement of Activities

For the Twelve Months Ending December 31, 2024

		<u>Current</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Last YTD</u>
		<u>Month</u>		<u>of Bgt</u>	<u>Budget</u>	
<u>INCOME</u>						
4001	Per Capita Receipts	\$ 15,866.75	\$ 199,258.60	98.13	\$ 203,064	218,738
4002	Per Capita - Prior Year	0.00	5,841.55	0.00	0	76
4011	Presbytery Mission Receipts	6,548.26	67,858.50	96.94	70,000	65,506
4101	Synod Support	833.34	10,000.08	100.00	10,000	10,000
4801	Investment Income	3,523.11	31,406.66	174.48	18,000	25,122
4805	Gain/(Loss) on Invmnt Real	99,623.94	99,623.94	0.00	0	53,512
4810	Gain/(Loss) on Invmnt Unre	101,173.32	101,173.32	0.00	0	136,581
4900	Transfer from Reserves	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	30,000
4901	Transfer from Reserves	2,083.33	24,999.96	100.00	25,000	0
	Total Budgeted Income	\$ 229,652.05	\$ 540,162.61	165.66	\$ 326,064	539,535
 <u>PER CAPITA EXPENDITURES</u>						
Higher Governing Bodies						
5000	GA Per Capita	\$ 0.00	\$ 51,342.20	100.00	\$ 51,342	56,145
5010	Synod Per Capita	0.00	28,814.50	100.00	28,815	31,350
	Subtotal	0.00	80,156.70	100.00	80,157	87,495
 Presbytery						
5100	Moderator's Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	500	0
5110	Committees & Council Exp	44.95	408.05	10.20	4,000	3,084
5140	Legal Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000	0
5150	Audit Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,000	4,420
5170	Presbytery Travel	(150.00)	963.14	19.26	5,000	595
	Subtotal	(105.05)	1,371.19	9.46	14,500	8,099
 The Presbytery Office						
5210	Utilities	246.33	3,103.90	103.46	3,000	3,462
5230	Building Repair & Mainten	0.00	2,230.58	89.22	2,500	2,361
5240	Insurance	2,626.75	5,718.10	142.95	4,000	6,272
5251	Office Supplies	144.43	1,002.13	200.43	500	275
5252	Postage	0.00	914.81	91.48	1,000	1,075
5253	Telephone	216.34	2,615.39	87.18	3,000	2,711
5254	Office Equipment Maint &	909.00	2,111.29	140.75	1,500	1,417
5259	Misc Office Expense	8.00	21.15	5.29	400	72
	Total	4,150.85	17,717.35	111.43	15,900	17,645

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	<u>Current</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Last YTD</u>
Personnel	<u>Month</u>		<u>of Bgt</u>	<u>Budget</u>	
6602 Wages-Stated Clerk	0.00	15,581.30	41.67	37,396	35,957
6603 Salary-Office Coordinator	2,509.84	30,118.08	100.00	30,118	28,960
6605 Wages - Interim Stated Cler	1,680.00	12,404.00	0.00	0	0
6607 Wages - Accounting Assista	642.21	9,113.74	75.87	12,012	8,726
6621 Off Cord - Pension & Cafet	627.50	7,530.00	100.00	7,530	7,240
6622 FICA	369.65	5,142.11	84.21	6,106	5,636
6623 Office Coordinator Cont. Ed	0.00	300.00	100.00	300	300
6624 Account. Assist. Cont. Educ	0.00	0.00	0.00	200	0
6625 SC Prof & Reimbursed Exp	0.00	1,549.17	38.73	4,000	2,051
6626 Adm. Asst. Expense	0.00	344.60	114.87	300	207
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Total	5,829.20	82,083.00	83.79	97,962	89,077

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		<u>Current</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Last YTD</u>
		<u>Month</u>		<u>of Bgt</u>	<u>Budget</u>	
Communication						
5330	Presbytery Web Site	205.00	2,515.00	100.60	2,500	1,980
	Total	205.00	2,515.00	100.60	2,500	1,980
	Total Per Capita Expenditur	10,080.00	183,843.24	87.12	211,019	204,296
 MINISTRIES EXPENDITURES						
Social Justice and Peacemaking						
5410	Education & Interpretation	0.00	341.86	26.30	1,300	950
5430	Israel Palestine Mission(IP)	0.00	0.00	0.00	500	0
	Total	0.00	341.86	18.99	1,800	950
 Faith Education and Leadership Development						
5520	Camp Scholarships	0.00	(3,129.99)	(140.99)	2,220	1,202
5530	Education & Educators' Sup	494.00	614.06	42.64	1,440	329
5555	Calvin Crest Camp & Confe	5,000.00	20,000.00	100.00	20,000	20,000
5560	Resource Center Materials	0.00	0.00	0.00	500	500
5570	Educational Ministry Events	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,000	0
5575	Leadership Development (A	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,280	1,805
	Total	5,494.00	17,484.07	61.48	28,440	23,836
 Youth Ministry						
5540	Youth & Young Adult Wor	0.00	3,243.37	64.87	5,000	261
5580	Youth National Events	5,000.00	4,980.00	99.60	5,000	5,000
5585	Presbyterian Youth Workers	0.00	0.00	0.00	200	233
	Total	5,000.00	8,223.37	80.62	10,200	5,494
 Mission						
5440	Nicaragua Partnership	0.00	(980.00)	(98.00)	1,000	1,000
5750	Pby Mission Pgm-Mini Gra	0.00	5,971.25	99.52	6,000	8,000
5773	HELP	1,250.00	5,000.00	200.00	2,500	5,000
5776	Crossroads Connection	625.00	2,500.00	100.00	2,500	2,500
5778	World Mission	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500	0
6130	Sudanese & ME Ministry	2,083.50	25,002.02	100.01	25,000	30,000
6150	Matthew 25	0.00	3,448.74	68.97	5,000	4,000
	Total	3,958.50	40,942.01	94.12	43,500	50,500

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		<u>Current</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Last YTD</u>
		<u>Month</u>		<u>of Bgt</u>	<u>Budget</u>	
Committee on Ministry						
6010	Education/Voc Assist/BG C	0.00	41.53	0.66	6,320	3,000
6050	COM Events	80.00	80.00	23.53	340	100
5420	Emergency Fund	(25.00)	(1,479.00)	(435.00)	340	0
	Total	<u>55.00</u>	<u>(1,357.47)</u>	<u>(19.39)</u>	<u>7,000</u>	<u>3,100</u>
Evangelism & Discipleship						
6120	Sudanese Fellowship	416.67	5,000.04	100.00	5,000	0
6140	Arabic Fellowship	0.00	5,000.00	100.00	5,000	5,000
	Total	<u>416.67</u>	<u>10,000.04</u>	<u>100.00</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>
Preparation for Ministry						
6210	Candidates	0.00	2,595.00	173.00	1,500	0
6230	Lay Pastors	0.00	2,500.00	45.45	5,500	2,500
6240	CPM Training	0.00	0.00	0.00	500	0
	Total	<u>0.00</u>	<u>5,095.00</u>	<u>67.93</u>	<u>7,500</u>	<u>2,500</u>
Spirituality, Theology and Worship						
6310	Program Resources	0.00	77.42	51.61	150	0
6340	Spirituality/Theology/Wors	0.00	1,350.00	90.00	1,500	1,200
	Total	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,427.42</u>	<u>86.51</u>	<u>1,650</u>	<u>1,200</u>
	Total Ministries Expenditur	<u>14,924.17</u>	<u>82,156.30</u>	<u>74.63</u>	<u>110,090</u>	<u>92,580</u>
	Total Expenditures	<u>25,004.17</u>	<u>265,999.54</u>	<u>82.84</u>	<u>321,109</u>	<u>296,876</u>
	Net Income	<u>\$ 204,647.88</u>	<u>\$ 274,163.07</u>		<u>\$ 4,955</u>	<u>242,659</u>

Presbytery of Missouri River Valley
Statement of Financial Position
December 31, 2024

		This Year	Last Year
		<u>ASSETS</u>	
<u>Cash and Investments</u>			
1001	Premier Bank-Checking	\$ 20,948.81	1,697.57
1010	Premier Bank-Money Market	398,845.89	399,506.71
1106	CD #1 @ Dundee Bank	108,351.64	103,756.22
1107	CD#2 @ Dundee Bank	107,400.19	102,845.12
1120	New Covenant Fund-Balan In	<u>1,392,346.41</u>	<u>1,191,549.15</u>
	Current Assets	2,027,892.94	1,799,354.77
<u>Fixed Assets</u>			
1510	Presbytery Office Building	<u>152,955.46</u>	<u>152,955.46</u>
	Fixed Assets	<u>152,955.46</u>	<u>152,955.46</u>
	Total Assets	<u>\$ 2,180,848.40</u>	<u>1,952,310.23</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL</u>			
<u>Designated Continuing Accounts</u>			
	Continuing Accounts	<u>\$ 357,534.68</u>	<u>402,836.90</u>
	Total Designated Accounts	357,534.68	402,836.90
<u>Other Liabilities</u>			
<u>Mission Giving Liabilities</u>			
	Mission Liabilities	<u>15,889.05</u>	<u>16,211.73</u>
	Total Mission Giving Account	<u>15,889.05</u>	<u>16,211.73</u>
	Total Liabilities	373,423.73	419,048.63
<u>Equity</u>			
2095.03	Net Assets	1,533,261.60	1,290,602.16
	Net Income	<u>274,163.07</u>	<u>242,659.44</u>
	Total Net Assets	<u>1,807,424.67</u>	<u>1,533,261.60</u>
	Total Liabilities & Net Assets	<u>\$ 2,180,848.40</u>	<u>1,952,310.23</u>

Presbytery of Missouri River Valley

Attachment 06

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Per Capita Report

For the Period of

January 01, 2024 thru

December 31, 2024

<u>Church</u>	<u>Pledge</u>	<u>Period Total</u>	<u>YTD Total</u>	<u>Pledge Remains</u>
Avoca, United	\$1,591.20	\$1,591.20	\$1,591.20	0.00
Bellevue, First PC	\$9,465.60	\$9,465.60	\$9,465.60	0.00
Carson, Carson PC	\$897.60	\$897.60	\$897.60	0.00
Carter Lake Community Church	\$734.40	\$734.40	\$734.40	0.00
Council Bluffs, Bethany	\$3,549.60	\$3,549.60	\$3,549.60	0.00
Council Bluffs, Gethsemane PC	\$2,652.00	\$2,652.00	\$2,652.00	0.00
Council Bluffs, New Horizon	\$7,548.00	\$7,548.00	\$7,548.00	0.00
Council Bluffs, Westminster PC	\$1,101.60	\$1,101.60	\$1,101.60	0.00
Clarinda, Trinity PC	\$3,304.80	\$3,304.80	\$3,304.80	0.00
Clarinda, Westminster PC	\$3,998.40	\$3,998.40	\$3,998.40	0.00
College Springs Presbyterian Church	\$816.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	816.00
Elkhorn, Peace	\$6,609.60	\$6,609.60	\$6,609.60	0.00
Essex, Presbyterian Church	\$1,876.80	\$1,876.80	\$1,876.80	0.00
Fort Calhoun Presbyter Church	\$5,467.20	\$5,466.40	\$5,466.40	0.80
Hamburg, United Trinity	\$1,060.80	\$530.40	\$530.40	530.40
La Vista, Faith PC	\$5,834.40	\$5,834.40	\$5,834.40	0.00
Missouri Valley, First PC	\$1,917.60	\$0.00	\$0.00	1,917.60
Murray, United PC	\$3,304.80	\$3,304.80	\$3,304.80	0.00
Neola, First PC	\$2,774.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	2,774.40
Oakland, Sharon PC	\$1,101.60	\$1,225.50	\$1,225.50	(123.90)
Omaha, Anderson Grove PC	\$2,488.80	\$2,488.00	\$2,488.00	0.80
Omaha, Church of the Cross	\$30,559.20	\$30,559.20	\$30,559.20	0.00
Omaha, Discovery	\$6,364.80	\$6,364.80	\$6,364.80	0.00
Omaha, Dundee	\$19,135.20	\$19,135.20	\$19,135.20	0.00
Omaha, Faithful Shepherd PC	\$4,528.80	\$4,528.80	\$4,528.80	0.00
Omaha, First PC	\$12,117.60	\$12,117.60	\$12,117.60	0.00
Omaha, Florence PC	\$1,305.60	\$1,459.50	\$1,459.50	(153.90)
Omaha, Hope PC	\$11,220.00	\$11,220.00	\$11,220.00	0.00
Omaha, Korean Presbyterian Church	\$3,182.40	\$3,182.40	\$3,182.40	0.00
Omaha, Church of the Master	\$13,545.60	\$13,545.60	\$13,545.60	0.00
Omaha, Mt View PC	\$1,632.00	\$1,632.00	\$1,632.00	0.00
Omaha, New Life PC	\$1,917.60	\$1,917.60	\$1,917.60	0.00
Omaha, Underwood Hills PC	\$1,632.00	\$1,632.00	\$1,632.00	0.00
Omaha, West Hills PC	\$12,892.80	\$12,892.80	\$12,892.80	0.00
Plattsmouth, First	\$5,263.20	\$5,263.20	\$5,263.20	0.00
Red Oak, Center Ridge PC	\$367.20	\$367.20	\$367.20	0.00
Red Oak Presbyterian Church	\$5,304.00	\$5,304.00	\$5,304.00	0.00
Shelby, First PC	\$1,754.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	1,754.40
Shenandoah, First PC	\$4,936.80	\$4,936.80	\$4,936.80	0.00
Sidney, United Faith Church	\$1,550.40	\$1,550.40	\$1,550.40	0.00
Villisca, First PC	\$1,958.40	\$1,958.40	\$1,958.40	0.00
Walnut, First PC	\$4,488.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	4,488.00
Grand Total:	\$213,751.20	\$201,746.60	\$201,746.60	\$12,004.60

Presbytery of Missouri River Valley

Remittance Summary

For the Period of 01/02/2024 thru 12/31/2024

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<u>Church</u>	Pledge	GA	Syn	Synod Desig	Pby	Desig Pby	Unbgt Pby	Sel'd GA	Theol Educ	Denom Offerings	ECO	Disaster	Pledge Remaining
Avoca, United	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bellevue, First PC	5,000	2,500	0	0	2,500	0	240	0	0	1,427	570	0	0
Carson, Carson PC	2,550	638	638	0	1,275	0	1,000	0	0	1,217	0	0	0
Carter Lake Community Church	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	299	0	0	0
Clarinda, Trinity PC	5,015	83	917	0	1,500	0	1,500	0	0	626	2,030	0	83
Clarinda, Westminster PC	5,000	1,250	1,250	0	2,500	0	200	0	0	3,270	0	650	0
College Springs Presbyterian Church	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Council Bluffs, Bethany	300	75	75	0	150	0	250	0	0	545	0	0	0
Council Bluffs, Gethsemane PC	0	0	2,250	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Council Bluffs, New Horizon	9,000	2,250	2,250	0	4,500	0	0	0	0	2,946	0	0	0
Elkhorn, Peace	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Essex, Presbyterian Church	0	88	88	0	175	0	0	0	0	425	0	0	0
Fort Calhoun Presbyterian Church	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hamburg, United Trinity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
La Vista, Faith PC	7,300	1,800	0	0	4,500	0	2,200	0	1,000	9,075	0	0	0
Missouri Valley, First PC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Murray, United PC	0	0	0	0	0	0	717	0	0	0	0	0	0
Neola, First PC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oakland, Sharon PC	3,000	750	750	0	1,500	0	1,259	0	0	1,986	0	0	0
Omaha, Anderson Grove PC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	287	0	0	0
Omaha, Church of the Cross	0	18,200	3,600	0	18,200	0	5,399	0	0	11,140	0	15,715	0
Omaha, Church of the Master	11,500	3,500	2,000	0	6,000	0	1,000	0	0	2,005	1,000	1,000	0

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<u>Church</u>	Pledge	GA	Syn	Synod Desig	Pby	Desig Pby	Unbgt Pby	Sel'd GA	Theol Educ	Denom Offerings	ECO	Disaster	Pledge Remaining
Omaha, Discovery	15,000	3,766	3,766	0	7,533	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Omaha, Dundee	500	250	250	0	500	0	0	0	0	2,760	0	0	0
Omaha, Faithful Shepherd PC	0	1,540	1,540	0	3,080	0	0	0	0	1,535	0	0	0
Omaha, First PC	0	2,250	500	0	1,497	0	1,750	0	250	818	700	0	0
Omaha, Florence PC	0	0	0	0	0	0	660	0	0	110	0	0	0
Omaha, Hope PC	2,500	1,094	625	0	781	0	5,753	0	0	2,609	0	0	0
Omaha, Korean Presbyterian ¹	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Omaha, Mt View PC	500	0	0	0	0	250	250	0	0	1,312	0	0	0
Omaha, New Life PC	500	125	125	0	250	0	0	0	0	896	0	0	0
Omaha, Underwood Hills PC	960	240	240	0	480	0	0	0	0	910	0	0	0
Omaha, West Hills PC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Plattsmouth, First	1,200	0	0	0	1,200	0	750	0	0	0	0	2,168	0
Red Oak Presbyterian Church	2,000	500	0	0	1,500	0	1,000	750	0	0	0	1,000	0
Red Oak, Center Ridge PC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	300	0	0	0
Shelby, First PC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shenandoah, First PC	9,639	2,410	2,410	0	4,820	0	1,793	0	0	2,179	0	0	0
Sidney, United Faith Church	720	180	180	0	360	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Villisca, First PC	1,000	250	250	0	500	0	100	0	0	711	0	100	0
Walnut, First PC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Total:	83,184	43,738	23,703	0	65,300	250	25,821	750	1,250	49,387	4,300	20,633	

Presbytery of Missouri River Valley**DIGEST OF ACTIONS: 2024**

Compiled by Stated Clerk Nancy Ross-Hullinger from Presbytery Minutes

Date in parentheses cites minutes of meeting

I. Teaching Elder Members Added to the Roll

- A. Approved the transfer of Rev. Jon Noble from Homestead Presbytery, if the way be clear. (2/22, 8/17)
- B. Approved Rev. Aaron White for membership in Presbytery of Missouri River Valley, if the way be clear. (2/22, 8/17) Moved from Missouri Union
- C. Approved the Rev. Murice Brian Long for membership in Presbytery of Missouri River Valley moved from New Covenant Presbytery (2/22)
- D. Approved by E-vote Rev. Karen Moritz from Homestead Presbytery

II. Teaching Elder Members Removed from the Roll

- A. Approved the dismissal of Rev. Jon Sloan to Homestead Presbytery. (8/17)
- B. Approved the dismissal of Rev. Paul Masters to North Central Iowa Presbytery.
- C. Approved the dismissal of Rev. Leah Elrod to North Central Iowa Presbytery.
- D. Approved the dismissal of Rev. Chet Mason (death).

III. Other Actions with Respect to Inquirers, Candidates and Teaching Elder Members

- A. Approved Temporary Pastoral Relationship between Rev. Cindy Harvey and Presbyterian Church of the Master from January 1, 2024-December. 31, 2024. Terms: 20 hours/week. Effective Salary: Cash-\$28,800; Pulpit Supply rate per Sunday-\$180. Professional allowance \$1000. Paid Continuing education leave of two weeks annually (including Sundays). The agreement may be terminated upon thirty day written notice by either party or by the Missouri River Valley Presbytery at their discretion. (2/22)
- B. Approved the Pastoral Call between Peace Presbyterian Church, Omaha, NE and Rev. Murice (Brian) Long of New Covenant Presbytery commencing January 15, 2024. Terms: Full time. Salary: Cash-\$40,000; Housing Allowance-\$35,000; Effective Salary \$75,000. Full medical pension, disability, and death benefit coverage-\$29,250. 12 weeks of Family Medical Leave. Continuing Education-\$2,000 annually. Professional Expenses which include Mileage reimbursement-\$2,000. Paid vacation leave of four weeks annually, which includes four Sundays. Paid continuing education leave of two weeks annually, which includes two Sundays (cumulative to six weeks. Moving expenses up to \$10,000 with proof of receipt. The call was issued on November 19, 2023. The congregational meeting issuing the call was moderated by Rev. Jon Sloan. (2/22)
- C. Approved the dissolution of the call between Faith United Church, Sidney, Iowa, and Rev. Leah Elrod effective December 31, 2023. Rev. Elrod will receive salary at current level, Board of Pension benefits, and use of the manse January 1-March 31, 2023. (2/22)

- D. Approved Commissioning of Elder James Carroll to serve the Lord's Supper for Crossroads Connection should a Minister of Word and Sacrament not be available. (2/22)
- E. Approved the dismissal of Rev. Matthew Johnstone to Donegal Presbytery. (2/22)
- F. Accepted the Interim Pastor Exit Report of Rev. Gary Eller/Presbyterian Church of the Master. (2/22)
- G. Approved Temporary Pastoral Relationship between Rev. Nancy Ross-Hullinger and Bethany Presbyterian Church/Council Bluffs, Iowa, from January 1, 2024-December 31, 2024. Terms: 19 hours/week. Effective Salary: Cash-\$29,244; Contribution to Fidelity Fund -\$12,000 Effective Salary \$41,244. Professional reimbursements Travel at IRS rate-\$500; Continuing Education reimbursement \$1200. Paid vacation of four (4) weeks and two (2) weeks study leave annually (including Sundays). In 2024-2 months, Sabbatical Leave from July 8-September 7, 2024. A Sabbatical Leave Contract was included with the Temporary Pastoral Relationship. The agreement may be terminated upon thirty days written notice by either party or by the Missouri River Valley Presbytery at their discretion.
- H. Approved Temporary Pastoral Relationship between Pastor Marcia Cline and Trinity Presbyterian Church/Clarinda, Iowa, from January 1, 2024-December. 31, 2024. Terms: Full time. Effective Cash Salary-\$45,093.84; Effective Salary \$45,093.84. Retirement-\$5174.75. Professional reimbursements: Travel at IRS rate-\$1000; Continuing Education reimbursement \$1000. Books \$200. Paid vacation of four (4) weeks annually (including Sundays) plus 2 extra Sundays. Paid continuing education leave of two weeks annually (including Sundays) The agreement may be terminated upon thirty day written notice by either party or by the Missouri River Valley Presbytery at their discretion. (2/22)
- I. Approved Temporary Pastoral Relationship between Rev. Carolyn Grice and New Life Presbyterian Church from February 1, 2024-December. 31, 2024. Terms: 19 hours/week. Cash Salary-\$1200; Housing Allowance-\$25640; Deferred Compensation \$7,183,80; Effective Salary \$26,840. Professional reimbursements: Travel at IRS rate-\$1200; Continuing Education reimbursement \$671. Paid vacation of four (4) weeks annually (including Sundays). Paid Continuing Education leave of two weeks annually (including Sundays). The agreement may be terminated upon thirty days' written notice by either party or by the Missouri River Valley Presbytery at their discretion. (2/22)
- J. Approved Installation Commission for Rev. Murice "Brian" Long which includes Rev. Matt Coplen, Rev. Jon Sloan, Elder David Friedli (Murray), Elder Judi Crick (Faith/LaVista), and Elder Steve Brosz (Peace/Elkhorn). Installation date and location: Saturday, February 10, 2024. 10 a.m. at Peace Presbyterian Church, Elkhorn, Nebraska. (2/22)
- K. Approved Kathy Padilla (West Hills) as a Ruling Elder eligible for Commissioning, per Commission on Preparation for Ministry recommendation. (2/22)
- L. Approved moving Rev. Dwight Williams to Retired status effective January 31, 2024. (2/22)
- M. Affirmed validated ministries of Rev. Sarah James, Chaplain, Children's Hospital/Omaha; Rev. Robert Rose, Air Force Chaplain; Rev. Shelli Latham,

- Omaha Presbyterian Seminary Foundation and Rev. Tricia Dillon Thomas, Omaha Presbyterian Seminary Foundation, and Rev. Martha Slocombe, Creighton University for 2024. (2/22)
- N. Approved serving of the Lord's Supper during Presbyterian Pilgrimage events, Calvin Crest retreats, worship at Crossroads Connection when officiated by a PC(USA) minister or Commissioned Ruling Elder, Protestant Worship at Creighton University, and Omaha Presbyterian Seminary Foundation retreats. (2/22)
- O. Approved Temporary Pastoral Relationship between Rev. Suzanne Gorhau and Riverside Parish (Oakland-Sharon and Carson Presbyterian Churches) from February 1, 2024-December. 31, 2024. Terms: 30 hours/week. Cash Salary-\$3,600; Housing Allowance-\$40,400; Effective Salary \$44,000. Board of Pensions: pension, disability, death benefit only, \$4,400. Professional reimbursements: Travel at IRS rate-\$1000; Continuing Education reimbursement \$5,000. Paid vacation of four (4) weeks annually (including Sundays). Paid Continuing Education leave of two weeks annually (including Sundays). The agreement may be terminated upon thirty days written notice by either party or by the Missouri River Valley Presbytery at their discretion. (2/22)
- P. Approved Elder Brian Morhardt, Underwood Hills, for placement on the Pulpit Supply list. (2/22)
- Q. Approved the removal of Rev. Steven Niles from the Pulpit Supply list at his request. (2/22)
- R. Approved Elder Regina Jeanpierre-Bryant to become an inquirer under care of PMRV.
- S. Approved Temporary Pastoral Relationship between Rev. James Crapson and College Springs Presbyterian Church from January 1, 2024-December. 31, 2024. Terms: 19 hours/week. Effective Salary: Cash-\$33,432; Housing allowance \$9,000; Effective Salary \$43,432. Professional reimbursement-travel at \$0.67/mile; other professional reimbursement \$624. Paid Continuing education leave of two weeks annually (including Sundays). The agreement may be terminated upon thirty day's written notice by either party or by the Missouri River Valley Presbytery at their discretion. (4/13)
- T. Approved the Pastoral Call between Presbyterian Church of the Master, Omaha, NE and Rev. Aaron White of Missouri Union Presbytery commencing April 8, 2024. Terms: Full-time. Salary: Cash-\$30,000; Housing Allowance-\$43,200; Deferred Compensation-\$4,800 Effective Salary \$78,000. Full medical pension, disability, and death benefit coverage-\$30,420; Family dental \$1,723.32. 12 weeks of Family Medical Leave. Continuing Education-\$1,500 annually. Professional Expenses which include: Mileage reimbursement-\$2,000; 403 B employer match \$4,800; SECA Reimbursement \$5,967, Mobile phone \$200. Paid vacation leave of four weeks annually, which includes four Sundays. Paid continuing education leave of two weeks annually, which includes two Sundays (cumulative to six weeks. Moving expenses up to \$5,000 with proof of receipt. The call was issued on November 19, 2023. The congregational meeting issuing the call was moderated by Rev. Cindy Harvey. (4/13)
- U. Approved Rev. Jon Noble's placement on the Pulpit Supply list. (4/13)

- V. Approved Rev. Brian Wohlhutter, ordained pastor in the United Church of Christ, to administer the Sacrament of Communion at the United Church of Avoca. (4/13)
- W. Approved appointment of Rev. Jon Noble as Moderator for Florence Presbyterian, Omaha, NE. (4/13)
- X. Approved Al Zimmerman to administer the Sacrament of Communion for Faith/LaVista on May 5, 2024. (4/13)
- Y. Approved dissolution of the pastoral relationship between New Horizon Presbyterian Church and Rev. Paul Masters effective April 7, 2024. (4/13)
- Z. Approved Rev. Leah Elrod to retired status and Member-At-Large of PMRV. (4/13)
- AA. Approved Temporary Pastoral Relationship between Underwood Hills Presbyterian Church and Rev. Scott Christianson for April 1-December 31, 2024. Terms: 14 hours/week; lead worship 3 Sundays/month; provide pastoral care; plan and moderate the session and congregational meetings; perform other administrative duties as requested by the session; teach 2 Stated Meeting April 13, 2024 Gethsemane Presbyterian Church Council Bluffs, Iowa 1 intergenerational class per month. Cash salary--\$0; Housing and utility allowance \$16,595 (for nine months); Effective Salary \$16,595. Professional reimbursement expenses: \$200 for books, supplies, miscellaneous. Paid vacation of one week in 2024 (including Sunday). (4/13)
- BB. Approved Robert Keefer as Moderator of Florence Presbyterian Church Session. (8/17)
- CC. Approved Sally Carlson as Moderator for New Horizon Presbyterian Church Session. (8/17)
- DD. Approved Sally Carlson as Moderator for Missouri Valley Session. (4/13)
- EE. Approved exit interview team of Elder David Friedli, Elder Bonnie Brown, Elder Vicki Hallberg, and Rev. Gary Eller for the retiring Reverend Rick Sleyster. (8/17)
- FF. Accepted and approved Reverend Gary Eller Interim reports from First Presbyterian/Omaha. (8/17)
- GG. Approved Kathy Padilla's commission to West Hills – will put her commissioning on the docket for August 17, 2024 Presbytery meeting. (8/17)
- HH. Approved removal of Linda Reffert from pulpit supply list (temporary) while she recovers from a broken hand. (8/17)
- II. Approved examination for ordination of Joshua Garry to serve as Associate Pastor at Presbyterian Church of the Cross. (8/17)
- JJ. Approved Rev. Jay Cline as Moderator of the Shenandoah and Essex Presbyterian Churches.
- KK. Approved those who have been trained as RE to be commissioned to serve communion within the presbytery bounds.
- LL. Approved the dissolution of the pastoral relationship of Rev. Michael Elliott and First Presbyterian Church, Bellevue, Nebraska. Last Sunday 9/1/24, using unused vacation and study leave for retirement date of 9/30/2024. 1) A meeting of the congregation is called for June 23 immediately following worship. At this meeting, the congregation will act on Pastor Mike's request to dissolve the pastoral relationship with First Presbyterian Church of Bellevue effective September 30th, 2024. 2) Pastor Mike's last Sunday to preach will be September 1. He will be on

- vacation through the end of September but will be available for funerals and pastoral emergencies. His formal retirement date will be September 30, 2024 3) Session voted to engage Linda Reffert, and she accepted, to serve as pulpit supply between Pastor Mike's retirement until an interim pastor is hired. (8/17)
- MM. Approved the dissolution and retirement of Rev. Rick Sleyster and First Presbyterian Church Shenandoah and Essex Presbyterian. Retirement on 5/31/24. (8/17)
- NN. Approved Reverend Mike Elliott's exit interview by Care Team. (11/7)
- OO. Approved Linda Reffert's Temporary Pulpit Supply Contract with First Presbyterian Church of Bellevue. 19 hours, \$6,916 salary. (11/7)
- PP. Approved Bob Sieck to moderate Neola (11/7)
- QQ. Approved the Ordination/Installation Commission for Josh Garry for 11/03/24 at the Presbyterian Church of the Cross 4:00 p.m.: Rev. Matt Coplen (TE); Rev. Gregg Miller (TE); Rev. Marshall Ziemann (TE); Cheryl Miller (RE – Ft. Calhoun); Keith Allen (RE-PCOC-PNC); Sherri Session (RE-PCOC-PNC); Rev. Fred Garry – Presbytery of the Coastlands, New Jersey; Rev. Zoe Garry – Presbytery of Southern Louisiana. (11/7)
- RR. Approved Transitional Pastor Reports from Reverend Dr. Gary Eller at First Presbyterian Church Omaha. (11/7)
- SS. Approved Reverend Mike Elliott for the Pulpit Supply List beginning October 1, 2024. (11/7)
- TT. Approved the 2025 Minimum Effective Salary document (11/7)
- UU. Approved the Installation Commission for Aaron J. White 3:00 p.m. at Presbyterian Church of the Master: Rev. Matt Coplen (TE); Rev. Carolyn Grice (TE); Rev. Marshall Ziemann (TE); Rev. Cindy Harvey (TE); Bonnie Brown (RE – FPC Omaha) Tom Burg (TE – Presbyterian Church of the Master); Rev. Chris Peters (TE – Homestead Presbytery) (11/7)
- VV. Approved Vicki Hallberg as Vice Moderator (11/7)
- WW. Approved Andy Hammer as Kathy Padilla's mentor (11/7)
- XX. Approved removing Sally Carlson from pulpit supply list as of 12/31/24 (11/7)
- YY. Approved TPR of Gary Eller and FPC Omaha for 2025; Full time; Cash Salary \$33,000; Housing \$49,000; Effective Salary \$82,000; BoP Additional Benefits \$9,840; SECA \$6,273; IRS Mileage \$2,200; CE \$1,500; Other \$1,000; 4 weeks vacation; 2 weeks study leave. (11/26)
- ZZ. Approved renewing validated ministries for 2025:
 Shellie Latham (OPSF)
 Sarah James (Hospital Chaplain)
 Robert Rose (Military Chaplain)
 Martha Slocombe (Creighton Chaplain)
 Nicole Riebe (Creighton Professor)
 Tricia Dillon Thomas (OPSF) (11/26)
- AAA. Approved Worship and Spirituality Committee to serve Lord's Supper at clergy worship services in 2025. (11/7)

- BBB. Approved that “Interim” be removed from the Stated Clerk position title and that a vote be taken at the November Presbytery meeting to elect and employ Nancy Ross-Hullinger for a 3-year term as Stated Clerk of PMRV. We would further request that if she is elected, the Transition Task Force be dismissed. If she is not elected, the Task Force would need to be re-activated to determine a next course of action.
- CCC. Approved Jessica Schoepner and Regina JeanPierre-Bryant continue as Inquirers.
- DDD. Approved Linda Reffert completed her CRE training and ready to be commissioned to First Presbyterian Bellevue.
- EEE. Approved the following RE to continue in the Lay Academy-Jackie Marcum Missouri Valley, David McBride, First Omaha
- FFF. Approved Tim Owen to begin the Lay Academy after ordination and installation as an elder at First Shenandoah.
- GGG. Approved Exam Readers for 2025 Elder, Sam Rennick and Rev. Brian Long.

IV. Actions with Respect to Congregations

- A. Approved Presbyterian Church of the Cross Mission Discernment Profile (MDP) for an Associate Pastor and allow posting of the MDP. (2/22)
- B. Approved the forming of an Administrative Commission to assist in the sale of church property of Shelby Presbyterian. The congregation will retain all proceeds of the sale; the congregation is not dissolving. COM will offer names to the Moderator of Presbytery to be appointed to the Commission and the calling of a special meeting to approve the Commission and its tasks. (2/22)
- E. Authorized the election of a Pastor Nominating Committee for First Presbyterian/Omaha upon the request from them and pending receipt of the results of Holy Cow discernment. (2/22, 8/17)
- F. Approve the appointment of an Administrative Commission to assist with the sale of the Shelby, Iowa Presbyterian church. The Administrative Commission members and its charge is as follows:
The Commission on Ministry through the Stewardship of Resources Committee submits the following recommendation:

Upon the request of the congregation of Shelby Presbyterian Church of Shelby, Iowa, by vote at their Congregational Meeting on April 28, 2024, the Presbytery approves the sale of real property and approved interiors of Shelby Presbyterian Church and establishes an Administrative Commission to work with the session to carry out the sale of all real estate and approved interiors.

Members of the Commission shall be: Rev. Gary Eller, Moderator; Rev. Sally Carlson; Rev. Rick Sleyster; Elder Bonnie Brown (First/Omaha); Elder Michael O’Bradovich (PCM); Elder Deb Rosenow (Shelby); Elder Grace Mills (Shelby)

The Administrative Commission shall have the following powers:

- Under the Form of Government, Chapter IV (G-4.0203 and G-4.0204) of the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), all property of the Shelby Presbyterian Church is held in trust for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Therefore, the Administrative Commission of Presbytery, appointed May 8, 2024, is authorized to arrange for the appropriate disposition of real and personal property, including the sale of real estate after consultation with the Presbytery's Stewardship of Resources Committee.
- Facilitate the sale of all real and personal property, inventories of equipment, and arrange for transfer of title to an approved buyer of all real property known to be in the possession of Shelby Presbyterian Church.
- Proceeds from all sale of real and inventories of the Shelby Presbyterian Church after appropriate bills have been paid shall be retained in by the congregation and the session of Shelby Presbyterian Church.
- To manage and secure access to the property which shall include verification of liability insurance coverage and posting of "Do Not Enter" signage on all entrances of the building until ownership is rightfully transferred to a new owner.
- To assist in executing a deed search and updated abstract of the property is acquired prior to sale closure.
- To assist in the acquisition of all legal documents necessary to close the property sale.
- To assist in the writing of a purchase agreement which affords congregation members access to the property until closure on the sale of the property.
- To assist gathering all information necessary for Presbytery's approval of the sale of the property which shall include the legal description of the property, purchase price, name of the buyer, and any other relevant information as required by Stewardship of Resources.
- To consult with the session regarding requests the congregation may have concerning the disposition of equipment, memorials, and other property of the Shelby Presbyterian Church, and from the date of this action to approve the disposition of property or to arrange for its retention and storage for future use at the direction of the Presbytery.
- As its final act the Administrative Commission will make a final report on the property sale to Presbytery which will:
 - describe the process the Administrative Commission has followed and the actions it has taken, including the action making the Presbytery the "successor in interest" to the congregation; and

From time to time the Commission will report to the Presbytery, through the Stated Clerk, actions taken in discharge of these duties, notwithstanding the responsibility to make a final report. (5/18 SM, 8/17)

- G. Approved the sale of Manse by Trinity Presbyterian Church, Clarinda, IA North sixty two (62) feet of the west one hundred fifty (150) of block two (2) of Johnson's Addition to the City of Clarinda, Page County, Iowa. Deed #4134

Information: Buyer pre-approved. Sale price \$147,500 – close June 28, 2024. The plan is to put the \$ in a CD or other related fund, for future use if the congregation gets a pastor that needs housing. (6/19 SM)

- H. Approved First Presbyterian Church/Omaha Discernment findings and report. (8/17)
- I. Approved the Discernment Report from First Presbyterian Church of Bellevue. (11/7)
- J. Approved FPC Bellevue Congregational Discernment process document
- K. Approved New Horizon Presbyterian Church’s Mission Discernment Profile (MDP).
- L. As required by our Standing Rules, annual review of rolls and registers occurred June 10, 11, 12 and 13, via four Zoom meetings and one in person. Session minutes and records reviewed were January 1- December 31, 2023. Clerks are required to review registry and minutes annually. Thank you to the clerks who attended the review and got their minutes/records in on time. Shooting for 100% in 2025!

Results of the review are listed below:

1. *Minutes approved without exceptions:*

Avoca, United Church	Omaha:
Bellevue:	Church of the Cross,
Anderson Grove	Discovery,
First	Dundee,
Carson	First,
Carter Lake	Florence,
Clarinda:	Faithful Shepherd,
Trinity	Hope,
Westminster	New Life,
College Springs	West Hills,
Council Bluffs,	Plattsmouth,
Bethany	Red Oak
Gethsemane	First
Elkhorn:	Sidney, United Faith
Peace	Villisca
Fort Calhoun	Walnut
LaVista, Faith	
Murray	
Neola	
Oakland, Sharon	

2. *Minutes approved with minor exceptions:*

Council Bluffs:	Omaha:
Westminster	Church of the Master
	Underwood Hills

3. *No minutes reviewed:*

Council Bluffs:	Omaha:
New Horizon	Korean

Essex
Hamburg
Missouri Valley

Mt. View
Red Oak – Center Ridge
Shelby
Shenandoah

4. *Registers approved without exception:*

Avoca, United Church
Bellevue:
 Anderson Grove
 First
Carson
Clarinda:
 Trinity,
 Westminster
College Springs
Council Bluffs:
 Bethany,
 Gethsemane,
 Westminster
Elkhorn, Peace
Fort Calhoun,
La Vista – Faith,
Murray
Neola,
Oakland, Sharon

Omaha:
 Church of the Cross
 Church of the Master
 Discovery
 Dundee
 Faithful Shepherd
 First
 Florence
 Hope
 New Life
 West Hills
Plattsmouth
Red Oak
Sidney
Villisca
Walnut

5. *Registers approved with minor exception:*

Omaha:
 Underwood Hills,

6. *No Registry reviewed:*

Carter Lake,
Hamburg, United Trinity,
Missouri Valley,
Council Bluffs:
 New Horizon

Omaha:
 Korean
 Mt. View
Red Oak:
 Center Ridge
Shelby
Shenandoah

7. *The following minutes have not been reviewed in at least three years:*

Council Bluffs:
 New Horizon
Omaha: Korean

Red Oak – Center Ridge
Shelby

V. Policy Decisions

Approved the process for training and authorizing Ruling Elders to officiate the Lord's Supper. Presbytery of Missouri River Valley (approved by COM 6/25/24)

G-3.0301 b. provide that the sacraments be rightly administered... "Authorizing and training specific ruling elders to administer or preside at the Lord's Supper when it deems it necessary to meet the needs for the administration of the Sacraments."

W-3.0410 Responsibility for the Lord's Supper "It is appropriate that a presbytery authorize and train ruling elders to administer the Lord's Supper in the event of the absence of pastors."

Ruling Elders – Training and Authorization for commissioning to serve the Lord's Supper

- 1) Endorsement by Session
- 2) Two-year training through the Academy and completion of all classes
- 3) Once done with training and certificate received: examined as to personal faith, motives for commissioning preparation of a worship service with communion for critique by COM certificate of completion of boundary training, which includes the topic of sexual misconduct, and child sexual abuse prevention training with recertification at least every thirty-six months. Presbytery approves what meets the criteria for these two requirements.
- 4) The commission will be for a specific term (not to exceed 3 years) can be renewed
- 5) Commission will be reviewed annually by COM
- 6) RE would report directly to COM Moderator on a monthly basis – report to include where Lord's Supper was served during that month.
- 7) A Minister of Word and Sacrament will be assigned as mentor and supervisor
- 8) Commissioned by Presbytery for Presbytery service. (8/17)

VI. Other

- A. The Presbytery's annual report to the Synod of Lakes and Prairies has been submitted.
- B. The Presbytery's annual report to the General Assembly has been submitted. PMRV began 2024 with 42 churches and ended 2024 with 41 churches following the dissolution of Westminster Presbyterian Church, Council Bluffs, Iowa. PMRV began 2024 with 72 minister members. One death was reported during the year. Three ministers were dismissed to other presbyteries. One minister was ordained. Two ministers were received from within the denomination. Thus, PMRV ended 2024 with 71 minister members.
- C. The Presbytery holds property insurance and liability insurance, as required by the Constitution. (G-3.0112)
- D. Election of officers and committees in the Presbytery were made at the meetings on 2/22 and 11/7 2024.
- E. Approved the nominations from the nominating committee, no nominations were made from the floor. The following were elected 2/22/24 by unanimous vote.

Commission on Ministry

- Elder Erica Wagner, Hope, 2026
- Elder Lauren Ruhe, Faithful Shepherd, 2025

Commission on Preparation for Ministry

- Rev. Brian Long, Peace Pastor, 2026

Faith Education & Leadership Development

- Rev. Suzanne Gorhau, Carson Oakland-Sharon Pastor, 2025

- Elder Jim Gaines, Gethsemane, 2026

Personnel

- Elder Shari Dillehay, Bethany, 2024

Worship & Spirituality

- Rev. Michael Harvey, Neola Pastor, 2026

F. Approved the nominations from the nominating committee, no nominations were made from the floor. The following were elected 11/7/24 by unanimous vote.

Vice Moderator

- Elder Ricky Holbert, First Presbyterian, Bellevue, 2025

Commission on Ministry

- Rev. Jon Noble Retired, 2027
- Elder, Vicki Hallberg, Bethany, Council Bluffs, 2027
- Rev. Stephen Niles Retired, 2027
- Elder Keith Allen Church of the Cross, Omaha, 2027
- Rev. Caryn Sparr-Pedersen, Red Oak, 2027

Commission on Preparation for Ministry –

- Rev. Jodi Filipi Retired, 2027
- Elder, Mike Molacek, Hope, 2027

Faith Education and Leadership Development –

- Elder, Ricky Holbert, First Bellevue, 2027
- Rev. Aaron White, Presbyterian Church of the Master, 2027
- Elder Lynda Shafer, Faith LaVista, 2027

Worship and Spirituality –

- Rev. Bob Keefer, Retired, 2027

Mission and Evangelism

- 2 elder spots, no nominations

Personnel

- Elder Pam Otto, Church of the Cross 2027
- Elder Shari Dillehay, Bethany, Council Bluffs, 2027

Social Justice and Peacemaking –

- Elder, Steve Burgess West Hills, 2027
- Elder Sandy Hanna PCM, 2027
- Elder Kevin Bushnell, Dundee 2027

Stewardship of Resources

- Rev. Mike Elliott Retired, 2027
- Elder Rudy Wang, Korean Church, 2027
- Rev. Jay Cline Westminster, Clarinda, 2027

Self Development of People –

- Elder Pat Tooles-Dyer, New Life, 2027
- Elder Pat Shipley, Villisca 2027

Commissioner to Synod

- Rev. Sarah Dickinson, Discovery 2027

Commissioner to GA (2026) –

- Elder JoAnn Murtha, Plattsmouth

- G. Approved the authorization of a broader audit of 2023 in 2024. Presbytery cash only audit with balance sheets.
- H. Approved the inclusion of a Worship and Spirituality Committee member as a non voting member of Leadership Team
- I. Approved the stated clerk transition task force – application, timelines, compensation.
- J. Approved the dockets for stated Meetings of February 22, April 13, August 17, and November 7.
- K. Approved giving the Arabic Fellowship a six month notice that funding for the Arabic Fellowship will cease as of June 30, 2025 and that the Arabic Fellowship would receive a monthly stipend check sent to Pastor Emad Tawadrous of \$333 on the 15th of each month January-June totaling \$2,000. (10/15, 11/7)
- L. Approved the theme for 2025 – Good News Life and finding ways to fulfill our mandate in the Book of Order G-3.0101 “Councils exist to help congregations and the church as a whole to be more faithful participants in the mission of Christ. We will seek ways to be radically helpful to our pastors and congregations.