

COMMISSION ON MINISTRY REPORT

For November 2, 2023, Presbytery of Missouri River Valley Stated Meeting

The Commission took the following actions on behalf of the Presbytery at meetings held on August 22, September 26, October 24, 2023:

- A-1.** Approved Presbyterian Church of the Master Ministry Discernment Profile (MDP).
- A-2.** Approved Rev. Gary Eller Temporary Pastoral Relationship with Presbyterian Church of the Master through December 31, 2023.
- A-3.** Approved Presbyterian Church of the Cross's discernment process.
- A-4.** Approved Presbyterian Church of the Cross election of an Associate Pastor Nominating Committee (APNC).
- A-5.** Approved Temporary Pastoral Relationship between Rev. Jon Sloan and Peace Presbyterian Church through December 31, 2023.
- A-6.** Elected Rev. Jon Sloan as Vice Moderator of Commission on Ministry effective January 1, 2024, with Rev. Nancy Ross-Hullinger continuing through the remainder of 2023 as a transition.
- A-7.** Approved addition of family medical leave to minimum terms of call.
- A-8.** Approved Rev. Paul Williams as a Temporary member of the Presbytery of Missouri River Valley if the way be clear.
- A-9.** Approved authorization for Soul Ventures (Rev. Tricia Dillan Thomas) to serve communion during those events.
- A-10.** Approved Rev. Martha Slocombe, Chaplain at Creighton, serving communion during Creighton student retreats.
- A-11.** Approved PMRV Family Medical Leave policy for installed/called ministers full-time positions for 2024.
- A-12.** Approved PMRV 2024 Minimum Effective Salary and all related components of it to access to a Minimum of 12-weeks of Family Leave.
- A-13.** Approved reaffirmation of PMRV Child Protection Policy.
- A-14.** Approved PMRV Sexual Misconduct Policy and procedures.
- A-15.** Approved PMRV Anti-Harassment Policy.
- A-16.** Approved PMRV Anti-Racism Policy.
- A-17.** Approved Gary Eller be approved to serve as Interim at First Presbyterian Church/Omaha effective January 1, 2024-December 31, 2024, if the way be clear. Terms: full time. Effective Salary: Cash \$32,000, Housing Allowance \$48,000 Effective Salary \$80,000. Board of Pensions-\$9,600; SECA \$6,120. Milage at IRS rate up to \$2,200, Continuing Education \$1,500, Professional Allowance \$1,000. Paid vacation leave of four weeks annually (including Sundays). Paid Continuing education leave of two weeks annually including Sundays. Ministers of the Word and Sacrament and Commissioned Lay Pastors who participate in a professional development event offered by the Omaha Presbyterian Seminary foundation shall receive the time and registration cost of one (1) event above and beyond the Minimum Ters for Professional Development. Those Teaching Elders, however, who elect not to participate in an OPSF event shall not receive additional time and funds. The agreement may be terminated upon thirty days

written notice by either party or by the Missouri River Valley Presbytery at their discretion. Quarterly reports will be due as expected of all interim.

A-18. Authorized Rev. Rick Sleyster and others to investigate a rural internship model with PC(USA) or a denomination with whom we are in communion.

A-19. Approved validated ministry of all currently serving Ministers of Word and Sacrament for 2024: Rev. Shelli Latham, Rev. Trica Dillon-Thomas, Rev. Sarah James, Rev. Robert Rose.

A-20. Approved Rev. Cindy Harvey as moderator for Presbyterian Church of the Master commencing December 25, 2023.

A-20. Approved Rev. Brian Long as a member of Presbytery of Missouri Valley pending the background check, if the way be clear.

A-21. Approved email authorization of completion of Child Protection Training.