

## COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY REPORT

### CALLS AND CONTRACTS

- **Rev. Hans Poetschner, First Pres-White Hall**  
**Motion passed** to approve the Interim Contract between Rev. Hans Poetschner and First Presbyterian Church in White Hall, Illinois. This is a full time position beginning 01/01/10 and ending 12/31/10.  
Cash Salary: \$15,150.00  
Housing Allowance: \$6,000.00  
TOTAL Effective Salary: \$21,150  
Board of Pensions: \$6,662.00  
Vacation: Four weeks including four Sundays  
Mileage Reimbursement: \$1,000.00  
Reimbursable expenses: \$500.00
- **Mary Babcock, Faith United-Yates City**  
**Motion passed** to approve the Commissioned Lay pastor Agreement between Mary Babcock and Faith United Presbyterian Church in Yates City, Illinois. This is a part time (75%) position beginning 01/01/10 and ending 12/31/10.  
Salary: \$16,900.00 per year  
FICA: \$1,575.00  
Auto Allowance: \$1,900.00  
Other/Continuing Ed: \$2,050.00  
Vacation: 5 weeks including 5 Sundays  
Study Leave: 2 weeks per year including 3 Sundays  
Medical Supplement: \$2,400.00
- **Kathy Swaar, Knox-Springfield**  
**Motion passed** to approve the Commissioned Lay Pastor Agreement between Kathy Swaar and Knox Presbyterian Church in Springfield, Illinois. This is a part time (50%) position beginning 01/01/10 and ending 12/31/10.  
Salary: \$23,955.09 per year  
FICA: \$1,832.56  
Auto Allowance: \$1,500.00  
Other/Continuing Ed: \$1,000.00  
Vacation: 5 weeks including 5 Sundays  
Study Leave: 2 weeks per year including 2 Sundays, also 3 personal days/Sundays
- **Sue Shike, Sunbeam-Aledo**  
**Motion passed** to approve the Commissioned Lay Pastor Agreement between Sue Shike and Sunbeam United Presbyterian Church in Aledo, Illinois. This is a part time (25%) agreement beginning 01/01/10 and ending 12/31/10.  
Salary: \$8400 per year  
Auto Allowance: \$1,000  
Other/Continuing Ed: \$500.00,  
Vacation: 28 days including 5 Sundays  
Study Leave: 12 days
- **Sue Shike, Center Pres-Seaton**  
**Motion passed** to approve the Commissioned Lay Pastor Agreement between Sue Shike and Center Presbyterian Church in Seaton, Illinois. This is a part time (25%) agreement beginning 01/01/10 and ending 12/31/10.  
Salary: \$8,400 per year  
Auto Allowance: \$1,000  
Other/Continuing Ed: \$500.00,  
Vacation: 28 days including 5 Sundays  
Study Leave: 12 days

- **Pam Moore, Stronghurst Pres-Stronghurst**  
**Motion passed** to approve the Commissioned Lay Pastor Agreement between Pam Moore and Stronghurst Presbyterian Church in Stronghurst, Illinois. This is a part time (50%) agreement beginning 07/01/09 and ending 06/30/10.  
Salary: \$8,280 per year  
FICA: \$633.42  
Auto Allowance: \$500/year  
Other/Continuing Ed: \$375.00,  
Vacation: 28 days per year including 10 Sundays  
Study Leave: 2 weeks per year including 2 Sundays
- **Pam Moore, Media Community-Media**  
**Motion passed** to approve the Commissioned Lay Pastor Agreement between Pam Moore and Media Community United Presbyterian Church in Media, Illinois. This is a part time (50%) agreement beginning 07/01/09 and ending 06/30/10.  
Salary: \$5,520 per year  
FICA: \$422.28  
Auto Allowance: \$500/year  
Other/Continuing Ed: \$375.00,  
Vacation: 28 days per year including 10 Sundays  
Study Leave: 2 weeks per year including 2 Sundays
- **Maura McGrath Nagle, Rio**  
**Motion passed** to approve the Interim Contract between Rev Maura McGrath Nagle and Rio Presbyterian Church in Rio, Illinois. This is a part time (60%) position beginning 11/01/09 and ending 10/31/10.  
Effective Salary: \$25,839.00  
Board of Pensions: \$10,448.65  
Vacation: Four weeks including four Sundays  
Mileage Reimbursement: vouchered at the current IRS allowable rate  
Continuing Education: \$1,000.00
- **Phyllis Sterr, First-Knoxville**  
**Motion passed** to approve the Commissioned Lay Pastor Agreement between Phyllis Sterr and First United Presbyterian Church in Knoxville, Illinois. This is a part time (25%) position beginning 12/01/09 and ending 11/30/10.  
Salary: \$250/week  
Other: \$50.00 per session meeting  
Vacation: 14 days per year including 2 Sundays
- **Deb Howard, Trinity-Bartonville**  
**Motion passed** to approve the Commissioned Lay Pastor Agreement between Debra Howard and Trinity Presbyterian Church in Bartonville, Illinois. This is a part time (50%) position beginning 01/01/10 and ending 12/31/10.  
Salary: \$16,000 per year  
Auto Allowance: IRS Rate  
Other/Continuing Ed: \$1,000.00, 1 week/year  
Vacation: 6 weeks including 6 Sundays  
Study Leave: 1 week/year
- **Marisa Rozdilsky, First-Canton**  
**Motion passed** to approve the Interim Contract between Rev. Marisa Rozdilski and First Presbyterian Church of Canton, Illinois. This is a full time position beginning 02/15/10 and ending 01/31/11.  
Base Salary: \$21,220.00  
Housing Allowance: \$21,000.00  
Social Security Allowance: \$3,230.00

TOTAL Effective Salary: \$45,450  
Board of Pensions: \$5,000.00  
Vacation: 4 weeks and 4 Sundays  
Continuing Ed: 2 weeks and 2 Sundays  
Mileage: \$2,500.00 reimbursable expense

- **Rev. John Zingaro, Westminster-Peoria**

**Motion passed** to approve the Terms of Call for the Rev. John Zingaro as Pastor at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Peoria, Illinois.

Cash Salary \$13,736.18  
Housing Allowance \$42,000.00  
Social Security Stipend (Offset) \$4,263.82  
TOTAL Effective Salary: \$60,000  
Board of Pensions \$18,900.00  
Vacation: Four weeks including four Sundays  
Mileage Reimbursement: \$1,000  
Continuing Education \$1,500.00  
Continuing Education: 2 weeks/year  
Professional Expense \$1,500.00

- **Rev. David MacDonna, Farmingdale Pres-Pleasant Plains**

**Motion passed** to approve the Interim Contract between Rev. David MacDonna and Farmingdale Presbyterian Church in Pleasant Plains, Illinois. This is a half time position beginning 01/01/10 and ending 06/30/10

Salary: \$10,555.00  
Vacation: 4 weeks and 4 Sundays  
Continuing Ed: 2 weeks and 2 Sundays  
Mileage Reimbursement: \$ 1,500.00  
Continuing Ed: \$150.00

- **Rev. Bill Beattie, Edgington Pres-Taylor Ridge**

**Motion passed** to approve the Interim Ministry Contract between the Rev. Bill Beattie and Edgington Presbyterian Church of Taylor Ridge, Illinois. This is a full time position beginning October 1, 2009 and ending September 15, 2010.

Base Salary: \$3,400/month  
Education Expense: \$1,000/year  
Medical Reimbursement: \$600/month  
Reimbursable Expenses: as approved.

- **Marcia Forman, First-Virginia**

**Motion passed** to approve the Stated Supply Agreement between Rev. Marcia Forman and First Presbyterian Church in Virginia, Illinois. This is a part-time (50%) position beginning October 1, 2009 and ending October 1, 2010.

Salary: \$21,110  
Housing: \$2,700  
Pension: \$6,649.65  
Continuing Ed: \$1,000  
Utilities: \$2,000  
Professional Expenses: \$500  
Book Allowance: \$325

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS**

- **Motion passed** to approve Rev. William Brown, HR Great Rivers, to labor outside the bounds of Presbytery in order to serve as IP at the UCC church in St. Germaine, Wisconsin.

- **Motion passed** to approve Seminary Debt Assistance Renewal to Rev. Cheyanna Losey.
- **Motion passed** to approve Rev. Carolyn Weber as Specialized Minister Member serving as a Missionary.
- **Motion passed** to approve the dissolution of the pastoral relationship between Rev. Steve Knudson and First Presbyterian Church in Canton, Illinois.
- **Motion passed** to change the status of Rev. Steve Knudson to Member-at-Large.
- **Motion passed** to excuse Rev. Steve Knudson from Presbytery Assembly meetings.
- **Motion passed** to approve the Continuing Education Grant request from Rev. Dottie Halverson in the amount of \$500 for the Sacred Practices leadership Series by Alban Institute in April, July, and November 2010.
- **Motion passed** to approve the Continuing Education Grant request from Rev. Andrew Gifford in the amount of \$500 to offset the cost of his DMin program at Pittsburg Theological Seminary.
- **Motion denied** to approve the request from Rev. Steve Akins for a non-medical Shared Grant application.
- **Motion passed** to approve the request from Rev. Hoon Choi for a medical Shared Grant application in the amount of \$1,500.
- **Motion passed** to approve the CIF for United Presbyterian Church in Mason City.
- **Motion passed** to approve the Installation Commission for Rev. John Zingaro Zingaro as Pastor of Westminster Presbyterian church in Peoria, Illinois, on February 3, 2010 at 7:00 pm.  
Elder. Gary Davis (Moderator), Lincoln, First  
Rev. Brooks McDaniel, Presbytery of Great Rivers  
Rev. Mike Shirey, Peoria, Northminster  
Elder Fred Brotherson, Peoria, Westminster  
Elder Pat Bensing ,Peoria, United
- **Motion rescinded** to accept Brain Beert's request to take CLP training subject to review by Presbytery and Synod with additional requirements by COM as he is not yet an elder.
- **Motion passed** to send letter to session with cc to file for those minister members who did not attend Ethical Training at November Assembly nor watched on-line video and turn in questionnaire. Letter is to be sent under Stated Clerk's signature.
- **Motion passed** to allow Rev. Ted Pierce to circulate his PIF for a supervised associate pastor position, allow him to remain a Member-at-Large in good standing, and to place his letter in his file.
- **Motion passed** to approve First Presbyterian Church in Washington, Illinois to form a PNC.
- **Motion passed** to remove Rev. Ian Goslin from the rolls.

## ADMINISTRATION COUNCIL REPORT

### Budget and Finance Issues

1. The Council discussed ideas about funding the work of the presbytery. Members were asked to study the documents provided and prepare for further discussion at the next meeting. They were also encouraged to attend the Stewardship Kaleidoscope in Indianapolis in March. The Visioning Council has set aside funds to pay the registration fee for four presbytery members.
2. **Council received the 2009 Financial Report and voted to recommend it to presbytery for its approval with minor corrections.**
3. **Council authorized Mike Orr and Amy Gardner to develop a plan for the investment and management of the presbytery's money with a balance among mission, income and safety. The policy they recommend will be circulated to Council members by email for approval. (See Appendix A)**
4. Payroll processing is now being done by an outside provider. By the end of the first quarter, it will be done by Amy Gardner.
5. The 2010 budget was provided for information.
6. **The Council voted to recommend to presbytery that the unpaid per capita for Synod and GA be paid. There was a suggestion that those making this report be prepared to interpret the impact of unpaid per capita on the work of the presbytery.**
7. Information was provided on the payments received from the Cathedral of Praise in Springfield for the former Fifth Presbyterian Church building.
8. **The Ebersolt Fund disbursement amount for 2010 was recommended to presbytery to be \$13,475.24. These funds are disbursed by the PCUSA congregations in Menard County.**
9. **The Council approved allocating 50% of Gene Campbell's remuneration as the Associate Stated Clerk as housing allowance.**
10. **Council voted to adopt the paper entitled Disaster Relief Funds, Presbytery of Great Rivers. This document is recommended to the presbytery to become a part of the Fiscal Policy of the presbytery. (See Appendix B)**
11. Council discussed a designated fund entitled "Small Church Fund." Council voted to refer the question of the proper use of these funds to the Visioning Council and asked that Council to devise a policy by which churches may apply for these funds.
12. Mike Orr will refer to the Committee on Ministry a policy with regard to Shared Grants.

Correspondence was received from the Illinois Conference of Churches and Sue Krummel returned their pledge card with the budgeted amount of support for this organization. (\$500)

### Organizational Issues

1. **Harry Losey and Drew Nagle will seek three new members to be nominated to serve on the Presbytery Nominating Committee. They need to find one female elder and two ministers. One nominee is Rev. Gene Campbell of First Presbyterian Church in Elmwood; Debbie Howard of Trinity Presbyterian church in Bartonville, and Rev. Randy Schafer of Scotland Trinity Presbyterian Church in Macomb.**

2. The November Presbytery meeting minutes will be distributed to the Council members for their approval before the February presbytery meeting. Council approved these minutes by email.
3. Drew Nagle was elected vice-moderator of the Council and Sue Krummel was appointed to act as clerk.

#### Personnel Issues

1. The Council approved a contract with adjunct staff member Laurie Vial. (Appendix C)
2. Kathy Casey has resigned as adjunct staff member for flood recovery.
3. Annual reports were received from all adjunct staff members. They are available on the presbytery website.
4. Andy Gifford will serve on the Personnel subcommittee of the Council.

#### Property Issues

1. The Hamlet-Perryton manse has been sold and the proceeds are being used for housing allowance for the pastor.
2. The Lewistown manse is being sold.
3. The sale of the house owned by Rock Island Good Shepherd has not gone forward.
4. The Warsaw manse is being sold.

Old Business addressed the Quincy New Church Development. It was reported that they now have their own checking account and are handling their own offerings and bills.

The other meetings for 2010 are scheduled for April 21, June 30 and October 20. All will be held in the presbytery office, beginning at 9:30 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at noon with prayer by Andy Gifford.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Krummel, Clerk

## APPENDIX A

### Presbytery of Great Rivers

#### INVESTMENT PROPOSAL

**Administration Council Action:** To approve implementation of an investment strategy to utilize a collection of investment instruments with staggered maturity dates which together achieve a balance between the objectives of mission/social responsibility, income, liquidity and safety. The strategy and its results will be reviewed annually by the Administration Council serving as trustees. The Treasurer is authorized to open, close, redeem or renew instruments as needed to meet the cash flow requirements for the operation of the Presbytery and/or to take advantage of available interest rates.

#### Assumptions/Rationale:

- Our total assets are currently in the range of \$1,000,000.
- Our portfolio is not large or complex enough to justify the expense of 1/4 % for a broker or investment firm.
- Our current investment with New Covenant Funds is producing no income and is not FDIC insured.
- Earnings from all invested funds will be reinvested when feasible.
- For financial institutions to which it applies, no single entity should hold more of our funds than the FDIC insurance limit permits for more than brief periods.
- A schedule of investments will be maintained and made available as part of the papers for each assembly and upon request between meetings. Note: initial proposed schedule is attached.

#### Categories:

Liquidity/Safety - At Heritage Bank, our current bank, we will maintain our checking and commercial savings accounts. As deemed feasible, monies will be transferred between accounts to maintain adequate liquidity while optimizing earnings from savings. Total investments at Heritage Bank will be maintained at or below the FDIC insured limits.

Income/Mission/Social Responsibility - At the Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program (PILP), our current investment level will be increased (to approximately \$300,000) using certificates with staggered maturity dates.

Income/Safety - At one or more local financial institutions, the Presbytery will purchase FDIC insured certificates of deposit which, overtime, will result in a portfolio of certificates; one of which will renew or be surrendered each 6 months as required to meet liquidity needs or take advantage of changing interest rates.

**Presbytery of Great Rivers  
Investment Proposal February 2010**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Deposited With</u>	<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Market Balance</u>
<b>CASH &amp; CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>					
Checking Account	Heritage Bank	143235	0.20%	n/a	\$50,000.00
Savings Account	Heritage Bank	1039329	0.95%	n/a	\$200,000.00
Staggered Certificates of Deposit <i><b>New Investment</b></i>	Local Institution #1		Current Rate		\$230,000.00
Staggered Certificates of Deposit <i><b>New Investment</b></i>	Local Institution #2		Current Rate		\$230,000.00
Petty Cash	PGR Office	n/a	n/a	n/a \$	100.00
<b>Total Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>					<b>\$710,100.00</b>
<b>INVESTMENTS</b>					
Treasury Money Market Fund <i><b>To be closed</b></i>	New Covenant Fun	108631	n/a	n/a	\$
Investment & Loan Program, Inc 36 Mo DAR	PCUSA (PILP)	4308	3.92%	3/31/2011	\$159,079.61
Investment & Loan Program, Inc -24 Mo <i><b>New Investment</b></i>	DAR PCUSA (PILP)		1.93%	3/1/2012	\$150,000.00
Total Investments					\$309,079.61
<b>Total Cash and Investments</b>					<b>\$1,019,179.61</b>

APPENDIX B

**DISASTER RELIEF FUNDS, PRESBYTERY OF GREAT RIVERS**

From time to time, a natural or other disaster may occur within the bounds of the Presbytery of Great Rivers. When this happens, people within our presbytery and beyond its bounds may be moved to make monetary donations to help offset the impact of the disaster for those who have been affected. These funds may come as direct contributions to the presbytery or may come through a request from the presbytery to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. The following parameters are to be used in the distribution of such funds.

The Administration Council may appoint a Disaster Response Team to advise the Council in the use of funds.

There will be a limit of \$1,000 total per household for the use of the funds. The presbytery funds will be expended only after recipients have exhausted all other avenues of remuneration including, but not limited to, FEMA funds and personal insurance.

These funds will be distributed in the form of gift cards to the recipients. Recipients will be asked to submit receipts for the use of the gift cards to the presbytery's financial secretary for accounting purposes. The distribution of any funds received from PDA will be subject to the rules of that organization.

Funds may also be used by work groups in the course of recovery work. In this case, a manager will be appointed by the Administration Council to oversee this work and to request the use of money donated for disaster relief or received from Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. This manager will be a Presbyterian who lives close to the affected site but who has not personally been a victim of the disaster. The Administration Council will decide whether or not the manager will be remunerated for the work done.

APPENDIX C

**CONTRACT WITH ADJUNCT STAFF**

This contract is between Laurie B. Vial and the Presbytery of Great Rivers. Laurie B. Vial is adjunct staff and, as such, is not entitled to other rights and benefits provided to the employees of the Presbytery.

**BEGINNING AND ENDING DATES:** This contract begins January 20, 2010 and ends January 19, 2011.

**COMPENSATION:** Laurie B. Vial will be paid at the rate of \$20.00 per hour for up to 30 hours per month. Payment will be made monthly based on request for payment submitted to the General Presbyter. The request for payment is to include documentation of hours worked.

**REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES:** Expenses will be reimbursed monthly based on request for reimbursement which include documentation of expenses. Allowable expenses are mileage (at the IRS allowable rate), tolls and parking fees, and meals incurred while fulfilling contract responsibilities. Other expenses, such as hotel costs, are allowable with prior approval of the General Presbyter.

**DESCRIPTION OF RESPONSIBILITIES:** The adjunct staff person will provide services as follows:

- Research available rebates, low-cost loans and other options used by energy companies and governmental agencies to encourage energy conservation by congregations in our presbytery.
- Research alternative forms of energy that might be especially applicable for church buildings, i.e. solar panels, windmills, etc.
- Research other sources of income for churches in the energy and utility field, i.e. the use of church steeples for cell phone towers. *recycling.*
- Prepare materials for the presbytery website and in print to distribute to the congregations within the presbytery. A target date for this material will be the July 27, 2010, presbytery meeting.
- Be available to visit with church sessions, building committees, etc., about their particular interests in energy savings and use of alternative energy.

**CONTRACT REVISIONS AND EXTENSIONS:** Minor adjustments to the terms of this contract may be negotiated and will be confirmed in writing by the General Presbyter. If more than minor adjustments to one section of this contract are to be considered, a new contract will be executed with the approval of the Personnel Section.

**TERMINATION OF CONTRACT:** It is expected that either party will provide 60 days notice of intent to vacate the contract.

**COORDINATION OF INTERNAL PRESBYTERY STAFF:** The General Presbyter is the person authorized by the Presbytery to execute contracts and is the person with whom adjunct staff communicate regarding implementation of contracts.

Laurie B. Vial 12-10-09  
Adjunct Staff                      Date                      General Presbyter                      Date

## VISIONING COUNCIL REPORT

Sue Krummel, Executive Presbyter, proposed that the council interview a group of students at Bradley University. The purpose is to gain their perceptions about the world, particularly members of Christian churches. Steve A., Phil B., and Alexa C. will develop questions. Arrangements will be made to conduct the survey during our next meeting.

The report of the Assembly Planning Team was received. Churches who have agreed to be responsible for hospitality details are: Danvers, greeters; Korean Church Peoria, AM snacks; and Hope-Springfield, worship space decorations. Julie Bainbridge, PGR staff, joined the group to discuss the logistics of set-up and communion. Two educational opportunities will be offered: for pastors, Preaching for Lent and Easter, and for commissioners, Church Transformation . The council, at the request of the planning team, revisited the decision to have the executive presbyter preach at the three assemblies. After discussing our initial rationale, the Visioning Council affirms their desire to have Sue preach at each assembly to support our Vision for the presbytery. A request from the director of Camp Wyoming to address the floor at the assembly meeting was denied. The council will suggest a display table to reach a target audience. At the request of the Assembly Planning Team the Visioning Council will assume a more active role in planning meetings. Tasha Blackburn has agreed to develop the liturgy for the worship areas of the docket.

**ACTION ITEM** Maura McGrath Nagle, coordinator for Youth Triennium, requested information on financial assistance from the presbytery for youth attending. A motion to provide T-shirts and bus transportation and to pay for background checks for the adults attending was approved. Dick will work with Maura on the development of a list of adults attending, their contact information, and background checks.

Annual reports from Adjunct Staff Dick Johnson, Training, and Stephen Whitaker, Electronic Communication were received and reviewed. Sue reported orally for Bill Myers, COM Staff, and Kathy Casey, Disaster Response Team. Kathy asked to be relieved of her responsibilities. It was agreed that assistance for flood relief in the Illinois counties affected is no longer needed except for building materials for some individuals. The remainder of the PDA Funds will be disbursed for those needs. The PGR Mission Yearbook of Prayer article for 2011 was received and approved. The VC thanks Stephen Whitaker for authoring the article.

The Ad Hoc Committee for planning future pastor and lay retreats met together over the lunch break. Names were submitted for possible presenters for future events. Sue and Phil will begin making contacts. A display for the Magnetic Church lay event will be developed for use at the assembly meeting to promote it. Registration forms will be placed on each of the 25 tables.

The moderator provided copies of the guidelines and the application form for the Mission Initiative Funds (MIF). These were reviewed for information and clarity.

### **ACTION ITEMS** Mission Initiative Fund Applications

- A request from FPC Springfield for \$2,400. for the Samaritan Program. The request was **denied** for lack of complete information.
- A request from FPC Rushville for an additional \$2,000. to meet additional costs of the ramp necessary for clients to access the Welcome Center. The application was **approved**.
- A request from FPC Lincoln to furnish and equip the old Pizza Hut building now owned by Lincoln Jr. College to be used for a coffee house for young adults. The purpose would be to provide a venue for an alternate worship service in the community and provide space for music groups. The Visioning Council declined to approve financial support at this time. They **approved** of the spirit and concept of the project and applaud the support of the congregation. The council asks the group to **resubmit** their request after some aspects of the project have been defined.

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**ACTION ITEM** Details of the “Stand Down” event for homeless veterans sponsored by Good Will and held in Peoria in 2009 were shared as a possible use for Peacemaking Funds. A motion to support the “Stand Down” Project for 2010 with \$5,000 from Peacemaking Funds was approved.

The executive presbyter reviewed the changing patterns of giving to mission funding within the denomination. Sue also provided two papers, Funding and Behavioral Economics for our study.

Future dates suggested for VC meetings: March 11, May 13, August 12, and October 14, 2010.

The meeting adjourned with prayer at 2:45.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Miller, recorder

**Joshua Erickson**  
**Statement of Faith**

Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior. I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God who is fully divine and fully human. It is my deepest hope and sincerest belief that Christ is the truth on which everything that I am, everything that I do, and everything that I believe is centered. I believe God's grace enables Christ to be the center of my life. I believe that God's grace was at work in my life before I was even aware of it. God has shown grace to humanity by sending Christ to die on the cross which set humanity free from sin. At the same time; every day I experience sin which so easily entangles and keeps Christ from being at the center of my life. It is then on a daily basis that I am aware of God's free gift of grace. It is that grace which allows Christ to become the center of my life again. There have been several times when I have been acutely aware of God's grace being at work in my life and allowing me to accept that God's forgiveness is real enough for me to forgive myself. This confirms for me that both humanity and creation are indeed fallen and need to be redemption.

I believe that God is the creator of what was, what is, and what will be. I believe that God created an amazing world which is a reflection of God's awesome majesty. The beauty of creation and the intricacy of the interdependent nature of creation both speak to the ultimate sovereignty of God. I believe that the ultimate sign of God's sovereignty and love is God's eternal plan to send Jesus Christ to save humanity and redeem creation.

It is the Holy Spirit who is my guide and advocate. The Holy Spirit has guided me throughout my life in ways that at times I could and at other times I could not understand. It was the Holy Spirit who was at work in my life as a high school student when I was called to serve full-time in the church. I believe it is the Holy Spirit who calls the church together and then sends her out into the world.

I believe that God's will for humanity is most clearly and uniquely revealed through Christ's birth, life, death, resurrection, ascension, and promise to come again. It is through the examination of the life of Christ that humanity is able to know what it means to be truly human and what it means that God's love for humanity and creation has no bounds. I believe that God had elected from eternity to send Christ to redeem a fallen human race and a fallen creation.

I am grateful for the gift of Scripture as it is the unique and authoritative witness. It is through the word (Scripture) read and proclaimed that the Word (Jesus Christ) is revealed. I am also grateful for the role that the personal reading of Scripture has played in my formation as a disciple of Christ. God has given to me through the pages of Scripture the gift of guidance as a leader in the church and also the needed nourishment to sustain my faith journey. I believe that the both the individual lives of the believers and the corporate life of the church need to be formed and reformed according to Scripture.

The church is the community of grace which God gathers together to be the people of God given the task of being Christ's witness in the world. The church is called to share the love of Christ with the world through both evangelism and service. It is when the church exists for others that the true church exists. This means that at times that the church is called to sacrifice in order to advance the mission of God in the world. I also believe that the church is present where the Word is preached and the sacraments are celebrated.

I believe that the sacraments are the physical signs and seal of God's grace poured out for all of creation. I believe that the sacraments confirm for the church the presence and promise of Christ. The church is called to celebrate the two sacraments of Lord's Supper and baptism. I believe in the real presence of Christ in the Lord's Supper and that it is a mystery of faith how that exactly works. I believe in baptism as a sign and seal of the forgiveness of sins and humanity's inclusion in God's covenant of grace.

## CPM REPORT

**Motion passed** to recommend Sarah Ross for Candidacy at the February 23, 2010 Presbytery Assembly meeting.

The Committee on Preparation for Ministry moves that Josh Erickson be examined for Ordination on the floor of Assembly.

**Joshua Erickson**  
**Statement of Faith**

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I believe that God is the creator of what was, what is, and what will be. I believe that God created an amazing world which is a reflection of God's awesome majesty. The beauty of creation and the intricacy of the interdependent nature of creation both speak to the ultimate sovereignty of God. I believe that the ultimate sign of God's sovereignty and love is God's eternal plan to send Jesus Christ to save humanity and redeem creation.

It is the Holy Spirit who is my guide and advocate. The Holy Spirit has guided me throughout my life in ways that at times I could and at other times I could not understand. It was the Holy Spirit who was at work in my life as a high school student when I was called to serve full-time in the church. I believe it is the Holy Spirit who calls the church together and then sends her out into the world.

I believe that God's will for humanity is most clearly and uniquely revealed through Christ's birth, life, death, resurrection, ascension, and promise to come again. It is through the examination of the life of Christ that humanity is able to know what it means to be truly human and what it means that God's love for humanity and creation has no bounds. I believe that God had elected from eternity to send Christ to redeem a fallen human race and a fallen creation.

I am grateful for the gift of Scripture as it is the unique and authoritative witness. It is through the word (Scripture) read and proclaimed that the Word (Jesus Christ) is revealed. I am also grateful for the role that the personal reading of Scripture has played in my formation as a disciple of Christ. God has given to me through the pages of Scripture the gift of guidance as a leader in the church and also the needed nourishment to sustain my faith journey. I believe that the both the individual lives of the believers and the corporate life of the church need to be formed and reformed according to Scripture.

The church is the community of grace which God gathers together to be the people of God given the task of being Christ's witness in the world. The church is called to share the love of Christ with the world through both evangelism and service. It is when the church exists for others that the true church exists. This means that at times that the church is called to sacrifice in order to advance the mission of God in the world. I also believe that the church is present where the Word is preached and the sacraments are celebrated.

I believe that the sacraments are the physical signs and seal of God's grace poured out for all of creation. I believe that the sacraments confirm for the church the presence and promise of Christ. The church is called to celebrate the two sacraments of Lord's Supper and baptism. I believe in the real presence of Christ in the Lord's Supper and that it is a mystery of faith how that exactly works. I believe in baptism as a sign and seal of the forgiveness of sins and humanity's inclusion in God's covenant of grace.

Presbytery of Great Rivers

**DOCKET**

February 23, 2010

**9:30  
OPENING WORSHIP**

**9:45  
WORDS OF WELCOME**

- † Establishing the Roll & Seating of Corresponding Members
- † Adoption of the Docket
- † Introduction of New Commissioners and Minister Members at your Tables
- † Introduction of the Business of the Day, including a word from the Nominating Committee

**10:00  
SEMINARS**

For Preachers and those Interested in Preaching:

***“PREACHING FOR EASTER, EASTERTIDE, AND BEYOND”***

Rev. Dr. Timothy Slemmons, Dubuque Theological Seminary  
Assistant Professor of Homiletics and Worship

For Church Elders:

***“HOW DO WE DISCERN GOD’S CALL TO OUR CONGREGATION IN THIS TIME AND PLACE?”***

Elder Gary Davis, PhD

**11:15  
WORSHIP (Including Celebration of the Lord’s Supper)**

**12:00  
LUNCH / ANNOUNCEMENTS / COMMUNITY INTEREST**

**12:45 pm**  
**THE BUSINESS OF THE PRESBYTERY**

**Stated Clerk Report**

- ✝ Bills & Overtures Committee Report

**Committee on Ministry Report**

**Nominating Committee Report**

**Committee on Preparations for Ministry Report**

- ✝ Examination of Josh Erickson for Ordination
- ✝ Examination of Sarah Ross for Candidacy

**Visioning Council Report**

- ✝ Discussion at your table of Mission Initiative Grants

**Administration Council Report**

- ✝ Treasurer's Report

**2:45 pm**  
**CONCLUDING WORSHIP**

**3:00 pm**  
**ADJOURN**

**GARY DAVIS** holds the PhD in Religion and Ethics from the University of Iowa. Before retirement, Gary let the Illinois Community College Trustees Association and is now active as a consultant.

**DR. SLEMMONS** holds the PhD from Princeton Theological Seminary and joined the UDB staff in 2009. He previously served PCUSA congregations in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, George, and Jamaica.

**PRESBYTERY ASSEMBLY EVALUATION FORM**

Assembly meetings are for:

- 1. collaboration and collegiality
- 2. discernment, deliberation and decision-making
- 3. worship and spiritual nurture
- 4. education and edification

1. In what ways did this Assembly serve the purposes listed above? How could the Assembly have been improved? (If something didn't measure up, offer a suggestion on how it might be done.)

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2. The greatest single benefit I derived from this Assembly was:

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3. What will you report to your session?

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Name: (optional) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Presbytery of Great Rivers assemblies improve when you **place your evaluation form in one of the red tubs at the back of the sanctuary.**

**PRESBYTERY OF GREAT RIVERS**  
**STATEMENT OF SUPPORT AND REVENUES AND EXPENSES - CASH BASIS**  
**ACTUAL TO BUDGET COMPARATIVE**  
**YEAR TO DATE DECEMBER 31, 2009**

	Actual	Budget	(Over)Under	Percent of Budget Used
<b>Support and Revenue</b>				
Budgeted				
Congregational Support				
Per Capita	\$ 284,302	\$ 304,704	\$ 20,402	93%
Mission	141,670	160,000	18,330	89%
Total Congregational Support	425,972	464,704	38,732	92%
Investment Income	26,330	20,000	(6,330)	132%
Donated Expense Reimbursements	-	500	500	
Total Receipts	\$ 452,302	\$ 485,204	\$ 32,902	93%
Net Assets-Use of Reserves to Balance Budget	-	40,301	n/a	
Total Budgeted	\$ 452,302	\$ 525,505	\$ 32,902	86%
Other				
Other Receipts	3,542	-		
Total Other	\$ 3,542	\$ -		
Total Support and Revenue	\$ 455,844	\$ 525,505		87%
<b>Expenses</b>				
Budgeted				
Salaries and Related Expenses				
Executive Presbyter	\$ 101,745	\$ 109,050	\$ 7,305	93%
Stated Clerk	17,011	41,650	24,639	41%
Administrative Assistant	24,021	16,830	(7,191)	143%
Senior Administrative Assistant	42,626	42,025	(601)	101%
Financial Secretary	28,165	33,850	5,685	83%
Temporary Staff	12,333	10,000	(2,333)	123%
Compensation Package Cushion	-	15,000	15,000	
Total Salaries and Related Expenses	\$ 225,901	\$ 268,405	\$ 42,504	84%
Presbytery Office				
Occupancy	\$ 40,814	\$ 43,500	\$ 2,686	94%
Office Operations and Supplies	28,957	32,450	3,493	89%
Equipment Replacement and Purchase	1,026	1,750	724	59%
Workers Compensation Insurance	1,008	1,500	492	67%
Total Presbytery Office	\$ 71,805	\$ 79,200	\$ 7,395	91%
<b>Expenses (continued)</b>				
Budgeted				
Administration and Visioning Councils				
Audit	\$ 6,300	\$ 6,300	\$ -	100%
Liability Insurance	3,642	3,400	(242)	107%
Legal Fees	92	50	(42)	184%
Prior Year GA and Synod Per Capita Paid	10,968	14,000	3,032	78%
Total Administration and Visioning Councils	\$ 21,002	\$ 23,750	\$ 2,748	88%
Moderator's Office				
Travel and Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	

**PRESBYTERY OF GREAT RIVERS**  
**STATEMENT OF SUPPORT AND REVENUES AND EXPENSES - CASH BASIS**  
**ACTUAL TO BUDGET COMPARATIVE**  
**YEAR TO DATE DECEMBER 31, 2009**

	Actual	Budget	(Over)Under	Percent of Budget Used
Meeting Expense - All Councils, Committees, and Task Forces				
Travel and Miscellaneous	\$ 7,610	\$ 15,000	\$ 7,390	51%
Program Expenses				
Council	\$ 13,630	\$ 7,850	\$ (5,780)	174%
Committee on Ministry	8,086	13,100	5,014	62%
Committee on Preparation for Ministry	5,384	12,000	6,616	45%
Mission Initiative Grants	48,908	105,000	56,092	47%
New Programs	-		-	
	<u>\$ 76,008</u>	<u>\$ 137,950</u>	<u>\$ 61,942</u>	<u>55%</u>
Total Budgeted	\$ 402,326	\$ 525,505		77%
Other Expenses				
Quincy New Church Development-Operations		-		
Interest and Fees Expense	720	-		
Depreciation Expense	7,731	-		
	<u>\$ 8,451</u>	<u>\$ -</u>		
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 410,777</u>	<u>\$ 525,505</u>		<u>78%</u>
Excess of Support and Revenue Over Expenses	<u>\$ 45,067</u>	<u>\$ -</u>		

**PRESBYTERY OF GREAT RIVERS**  
**STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND NET ASSETS - CASH BASIS**  
**AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2009**

**Assets**

Cash	
Checking and Cash Management Account	\$ 391,547
Investments	643,752
Prepaid Expense	-
Lease Deposit	2,499
Notes Receivable, Net of Reserve	-
Mortgage Note Receivable	47,627
Fixed Assets	
Equipment, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	<u>19,643</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 1,105,068</u>

**Liabilities and Net Assets**

Liabilities	
Liabilities Payable	\$ 2,934
Pass Thru Liabilities	14,834
Prepaid 2010 Mission and Per Capita	2,040
Capital Lease Payable	<u>6,518</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 26,326</u>

Net Assets

Unrestricted	<u>\$ 808,730</u>
Designated	
Small Churches	\$ 2,914
Springfield Fifth Disposition	54,947
Quincy New Church Development	180,940
Equipment	-
Disaster Relief - Flooding and Storms	3,692
Occupancy Costs	-
Total Designated	<u>\$ 242,493</u>
Temporarily Restricted	
PGR Katrina Relief	\$ -
PDA Flood Relief	2,688
Quincy New Church Development Operations	-
Preparation for Ministry	1,935
Peacemaking	12,432
Ministers Temporary Disability	<u>10,465</u>
Total Temporarily Restricted	<u>\$ 27,520</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 1,078,742</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	<u>\$ 1,105,068</u>

**PRESBYTERY OF GREAT RIVERS  
SHARED MISSION AND PER CAPITA SUPPORT BY CHURCH  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009**

<b>CHURCH</b>	<b>MISSION</b>			<b>PER CAPITA</b>		
	<b>2009 PLEGDED</b>	<b>2009 PAID</b>	<b>PAYMENTS (OVER) UNDER PLEDGE</b>	<b>2009 DUE</b>	<b>2009 PAID</b>	<b>BALANCE REMAINING</b>
ADAIR - WEST PRAIRIE	-	-	-	780.00	780.00	-
ALEDO - COLLEGE AVENUE	1,000.00	1,000.00	-	8,008.00	8,008.00	-
ALEDO - SUNBEAM	-	2,300.00	(2,300.00)	988.00	988.00	-
ALEXIS - NORWOOD	-	1,300.00	(1,300.00)	3,822.00	3,822.00	-
ALEXIS - UNITED	-	-	-	4,134.00	4,136.00	(2.00)
ATHENS - INDIAN POINT	-	950.00	(950.00)	1,170.00	1,170.00	-
BARTONVILLE - TRINITY	3,000.00	3,000.00	-	1,326.00	1,326.00	-
BIGGSVILLE - UNITED	-	1,000.00	(1,000.00)	4,238.00	3,253.48	984.52
BLOOMINGTON - SECOND	-	13,490.50	(13,490.50)	41,886.00	38,395.50	3,490.50
BLOOMINGTON - ST LUKE UNION	-	3,986.87	(3,986.87)	4,134.00	4,134.00	-
BUFFALO - BUFFALO HART	-	-	-	1,742.00	1,742.00	-
BUFFALO PRAIRIE	-	-	-	4,082.00	-	4,082.00
BUSHNELL - FIRST	-	-	-	3,094.00	3,094.00	-
CANTON - FIRST	-	-	-	4,784.00	4,784.00	-
CARLINVILLE - FEDERATED	6,000.00	6,000.00	-	2,184.00	2,184.00	-
CARROLLTON - FIRST	-	500.00	(500.00)	1,274.00	1,274.00	-
CARTHAGE - FIRST	-	-	-	2,704.00	2,704.00	-
CHATHAM	-	-	-	13,208.00	13,222.59	(14.59)
CHENOA - FIRST	-	100.00	(100.00)	1,248.00	1,248.00	-
CLAYTON - FEDERATED	-	1,680.00	(1,680.00)	806.00	806.00	-
CLINTON	-	8,000.00	(8,000.00)	4,732.00	4,732.00	-
COAL VALLEY - FIRST	-	100.00	(100.00)	4,706.00	4,706.00	-
COOKSVILLE - UNION FEDERATED	-	-	-	312.00	-	312.00
DANVERS - FIRST	2,500.00	2,500.00	-	4,914.00	4,914.00	-
DELANVAN - FIRST	-	3,000.00	(3,000.00)	2,652.00	2,652.00	-
DIVERNON - FIRST	-	-	-	1,092.00	1,092.00	-
EAST MOLINE - FIRST	-	3,996.00	(3,996.00)	5,044.00	5,044.00	-
EDWARDS - KOREAN	-	5,415.00	(5,415.00)	1,482.00	1,482.00	-
ELMWOOD - FIRST	-	-	-	4,160.00	1,750.00	2,410.00
ELVASTON	-	-	-	2,470.00	-	2,470.00
EUREKA	-	3,840.00	(3,840.00)	1,144.00	1,144.00	-
FARMINGTON - FIRST UNITED	-	4,600.46	(4,600.46)	3,250.00	3,250.00	-
FOUNTAIN GREEN - CARTHAGE	-	-	-	1,586.00	1,366.40	219.60
GALESBURG - FIRST UNITED	-	-	-	13,728.00	13,728.00	-
GENESE0 - FIRST	3,294.00	-	3,294.00	6,006.00	6,006.00	-

CHURCH	MISSION			PER CAPITA		
	2009 PLEGGED	2009 PAID	PAYMENTS (OVER) UNDER PLEGGE	2009 DUE	2009 PAID	BALANCE REMAINING
GREEN VALLEY - FIRST	-	1,020.00	(1,020.00)	1,638.00	1,638.00	-
GREENVIEW - UNITED	-	500.00	(500.00)	5,668.00	4,108.02	1,559.98
HAMILTON - BETHEL	-	-	-	2,002.00	-	2,002.00
HOPEDALE - UNITED	-	-	-	416.00	416.00	-
IPAVA - UNITED	-	46.00	(46.00)	1,118.00	1,118.00	-
JACKSONVILLE - FIRST	-	26,599.92	(26,599.92)	14,612.00	14,611.92	0.08
KIRKWOOD - WESTMINSTER	-	-	-	2,444.00	1,200.00	1,244.00
KNOXVILLE - FIRST	-	1,250.00	(1,250.00)	1,612.00	1,612.00	-
LEROY - FIRST	-	-	-	4,654.00	4,654.00	-
LEWISTOWN - FIRST	-	2,400.00	(2,400.00)	2,210.00	2,210.00	-
LINCOLN - FIRST	21,200.00	21,200.30	(0.30)	5,252.00	5,252.00	-
LITTLE YORK - LITTLE CEDAR	-	-	-	2,288.00	2,288.00	-
MACOMB - FIRST	-	30,224.92	(30,224.92)	14,170.00	14,169.87	0.13
MACOMB - SCOTLAND TRINITY	-	-	-	2,366.00	2,366.00	-
MASON CITY - UNITED	-	1,050.00	(1,050.00)	3,068.00	3,068.00	-
MEDIA - U P COMMUNITY	-	-	-	1,326.00	-	1,326.00
MEDORA - SUMMERVILLE	-	-	-	234.00	234.00	-
MIDDLETOWN - FIRST	-	-	-	1,352.00		1,352.00
MILAN - FIRST	-	5,843.00	(5,843.00)	3,978.00	3,978.00	-
MOLINE - FIRST	-	1,397.51	(1,397.51)	8,788.00	8,772.00	16.00
MONMOUTH - FAITH UNITED	-	500.00	(500.00)	9,542.00	9,542.00	-
MONMOUTH - HERITAGE UNITED	-	-	-	2,600.00	-	2,600.00
MONMOUTH - SUGAR TREE GROVE	-	400.00	(400.00)	1,040.00	1,040.00	-
MORTON - FIRST	-	-	-	1,664.00	1,664.00	-
MT STERLING - P C OF CHRIST	-	-	-	1,326.00	1,326.00	-
NAUVOO - FIRST	-	-	-	832.00	832.00	-
NEW WINDSOR - UNITED	8,000.00	8,000.00	-	4,602.00	4,602.00	-
NIOTA - APPANOOSE FAITH	4,100.00	4,100.08	(0.08)	1,638.00	1,638.00	-
NORMAL - FIRST	36,000.00	30,000.00	6,000.00	14,014.00	14,014.00	-
NORMAL - NEW COVENANT	-	400.00	(400.00)	598.00	598.00	-
ONEIDA-FIRST	-	1,630.00	(1,630.00)	1,222.00	1,222.00	-
ORION - BEULAH	-	-	-	3,016.00	3,016.00	-
PEKIN - FIRST	-	-	-	4,316.00	4,316.00	-
PEORIA - BETHEL	-	-	-	598.00	598.00	-
PEORIA - FIRST FEDERATED	-	10,000.00	(10,000.00)	12,220.00	12,220.00	-
PEORIA - NORTHMINSTER	-	900.00	(900.00)	16,692.00	16,692.00	-
PEORIA - UNITED	-	10,448.00	(10,448.00)	16,874.00	16,874.00	-
PEORIA - WESTMINSTER	-	8,242.00	(8,242.00)	8,242.00	8,242.00	-
PERRY	-	-	-	468.00	468.00	-
PETERSBURG - CENTRAL	7,370.00	7,370.00	-	4,576.00	4,576.02	(0.02)

CHURCH	MISSION			PER CAPITA		
	2009 PLEGGED	2009 PAID	PAYMENTS (OVER) UNDER PLEGGE	2009 DUE	2009 PAID	BALANCE REMAINING
PLEASANT PLAINS - FARMINGDALE	-	3,252.00	(3,252.00)	2,860.00	2,860.00	-
PRAIRIE CITY - FIRST	-	-	-	1,274.00	1,274.00	-
PRINCEVILLE - FIRST	-	-	-	3,484.00	3,484.00	-
QUINCY - ELLINGTON MEMORIAL	-	4,500.00	(4,500.00)	2,912.00	2,912.00	-
REYNOLDS - HAMLET PERRYTON	-	-	-	3,016.00	2,600.00	416.00
RIO	-	-	-	3,328.00	3,328.00	-
ROCK ISLAND - BROADWAY	-	7,000.00	(7,000.00)	6,968.00	6,968.00	-
ROCK ISLAND - GLORIA DEI	-	300.00	(300.00)	1,040.00	924.00	116.00
ROCK ISLAND - GOOD SHEPHERD	-	5,416.70	(5,416.70)	6,630.00	5,525.00	1,105.00
ROCK ISLAND - SOUTH PARK	-	-	-	8,814.00	8,814.00	-
RUSHVILLE - FIRST	-	-	-	3,016.00	2,940.82	75.18
SEATON - CENTER	-	-	-	1,976.00	1,976.00	-
SHERRARD - COMMUNITY	-	-	-	2,080.00	2,080.00	-
SPRINGFIELD - FIFTH	-	-	-	780.00	780.00	-
SPRINGFIELD - FIRST	-	12,533.40	(12,533.40)	11,466.00	11,466.00	-
SPRINGFIELD - HOPE	-	3,000.00	(3,000.00)	2,470.00	2,470.00	-
SPRINGFIELD - KNOX	-	3,100.00	(3,100.00)	1,482.00	1,482.00	-
SPRINGFIELD - KOREAN UNITED	-	-	-	1,092.00	1,092.00	-
SPRINGFIELD - THIRD	-	1,700.00	(1,700.00)	9,360.00	9,360.00	-
SPRINGFIELD - WESTMINSTER	-	38,000.20	(38,000.20)	31,252.00	31,252.00	-
STRONGHURST	-	-	-	728.00	728.00	-
TALLULA - ROCK CREEK	-	1,350.00	(1,350.00)	2,964.00	2,964.00	-
TAYLOR RIDGE - EDGINGTON	-	-	-	7,904.00	1,528.00	6,376.00
VIOLA - UNITED	-	6,640.00	(6,640.00)	1,976.00	1,976.00	-
VIRDEN - FIRST	-	918.50	(918.50)	1,118.00	520.00	598.00
VIRGINIA - FIRST	-	1,000.00	(1,000.00)	2,678.00	2,210.00	468.00
VIRGINIA - SANGAMON VALLEY	-	-	-	1,040.00	1,040.00	-
WARSAW - FIRST	-	-	-	3,510.00	3,510.00	-
WASHINGTON	-	8,800.00	(8,800.00)	4,160.00	4,160.00	-
WHITE HALL - FIRST	-	2,000.00	(2,000.00)	1,274.00	1,274.00	-
WOODHULL - UNITED	-	4,000.00	(4,000.00)	3,978.00	3,978.00	-
WOODSON - UNITY	-	-	-	312.00	-	312.00
YATES CITY - FAITH UNITED	1,700.00	2,850.00	(1,150.00)	2,418.00	2,418.00	-
<b>Totals</b>	<b>94,164.00</b>	<b>346,641.36</b>	<b>(252,477.36)</b>	<b>487,526.00</b>	<b>454,007.62</b>	<b>33,518.38</b>

**PRESBYTERY OF GREAT RIVERS  
UNPAID PER CAPITA SUPPORT BY CHURCH  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009**

<b>CHURCH</b>	<b>UNPAID PER CAPITA</b>			
	<b>2009</b>			
	<b>General Assembly</b>	<b>Synod</b>	<b>Presbytery</b>	<b>Total</b>
BIGGSVILLE	984.52	-	-	984.52
BLOOMINGTON - SECOND	897.85	484.91	2,107.74	3,490.50
BUFFALO PRAIRIE	965.55	565.20	2,551.25	4,082.00
CARTHAGE - FOUNTAIN GREEN	-	219.60	-	219.60
COOKSVILLE - UNION FEDERATED	73.80	43.20	195.00	312.00
ELMWOOD - FIRST	984.00	576.00	850.00	2,410.00
ELVASTON	584.25	342.00	1,543.75	2,470.00
GREENVIEW - UNITED	368.98	216.00	975.00	1,559.98
HAMILTON - BETHEL	473.55	277.20	1,251.25	2,002.00
KIRKWOOD - WESTMINSTER	578.10	338.40	327.50	1,244.00
MEDIA - U P COMMUNITY	313.65	183.60	828.75	1,326.00
MIDDLETOWN - FIRST	319.80	187.20	845.00	1,352.00
MONMOUTH - HERITAGE UNITED	615.00	360.00	1,625.00	2,600.00
REYNOLDS - HAMLET PERRYTON	97.20	58.80	260.00	416.00
ROCK ISLAND - GLORIA DEI	13.37	-	102.63	116.00
ROCK ISLAND - GOOD SHEPHERD	260.86	153.50	690.64	1,105.00
RUSHVILLE - FIRST	17.78	10.41	46.99	75.18
TAYLOR RIDGE - EDGINGTON	1,508.17	882.83	3,985.00	6,376.00
VIRDEN - FIRST	141.46	82.80	373.74	598.00
VIRGINIA - FIRST	110.70	64.80	292.50	468.00
WOODSON - UNITY	73.80	43.20	195.00	312.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>9,382.39</b>	<b>5,089.65</b>	<b>19,046.74</b>	<b>33,518.78</b>



## Synopsis of the January 2010 Meeting of the Synod of Lincoln Trails

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### **New Commissioners**

New commissioners are: Marian DeWall and Johanna Sommers, Blackhawk; Jennifer Burns Lewis and Jack Wilson, Chicago; Maura McGrath Nagle, Great Rivers; Mike Beaver, Ohio Valley; Laura Johnston and John Swick, Southeastern Illinois; Cheryl Montgomery, Whitewater Valley. Re-elected commissioners are Bruce Haapalainen, Wabash Valley and Veltri Taylor, Ohio Valley.

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### **Stated Clerk**

Stated Clerk Kim Leech reported. The synod approved the proposed revision of the guidelines for reviewing presbytery minutes.

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### **Nominating Committee**

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Call of the Presbytery Assembly  
FEBRUARY 23, 2010

MEMO

TO: Members of Presbytery and Visitors

FROM: Presbytery of Great Rivers

DATE: February 12, 2010

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**MEETING**

Time: The Assembly meeting will start at 9:30 am

Place: Five Points Washington  
360 N Wilmor Road  
Washington, IL 61571  
309-444-8222  
[http://fivepointswashington.org/about\\_us.htm](http://fivepointswashington.org/about_us.htm)

**REGISTRATION**

The Roll is established by your submitting the registration form when you arrive at the meeting. PLEASE BE SURE TO REGISTER so you will not be marked as absent!

Please notify Patti Parrish of Excused Absence by calling the Presbytery at 800-537-8592 x11 or 309-673-4208 x11, or by email [pparrish@greatriverspby.org](mailto:pparrish@greatriverspby.org).

**LUNCH MENU**

Lasagna, Salad, & Bread  
Coffee & Water provided  
Pepsi machine available

**REMINDER**

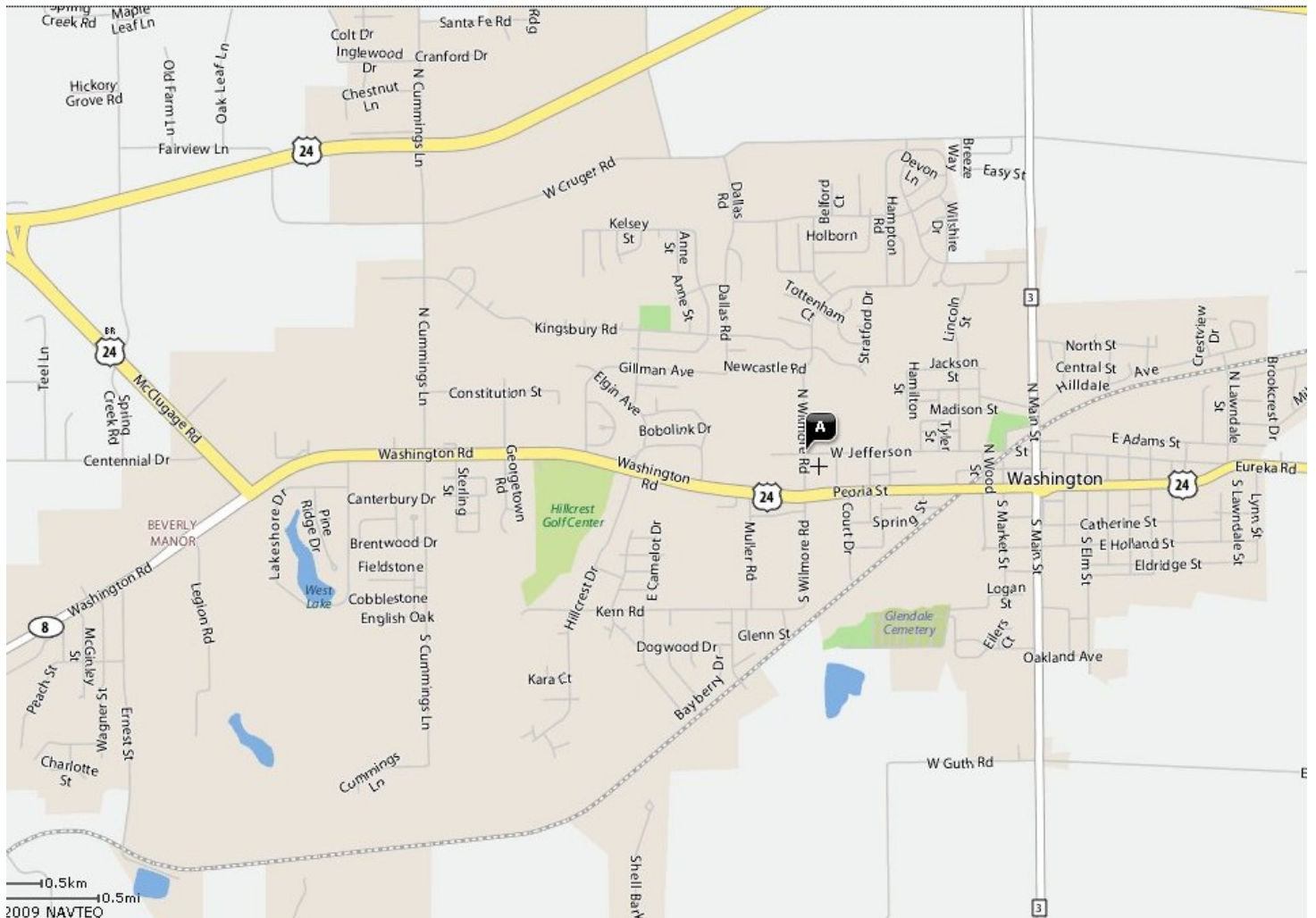
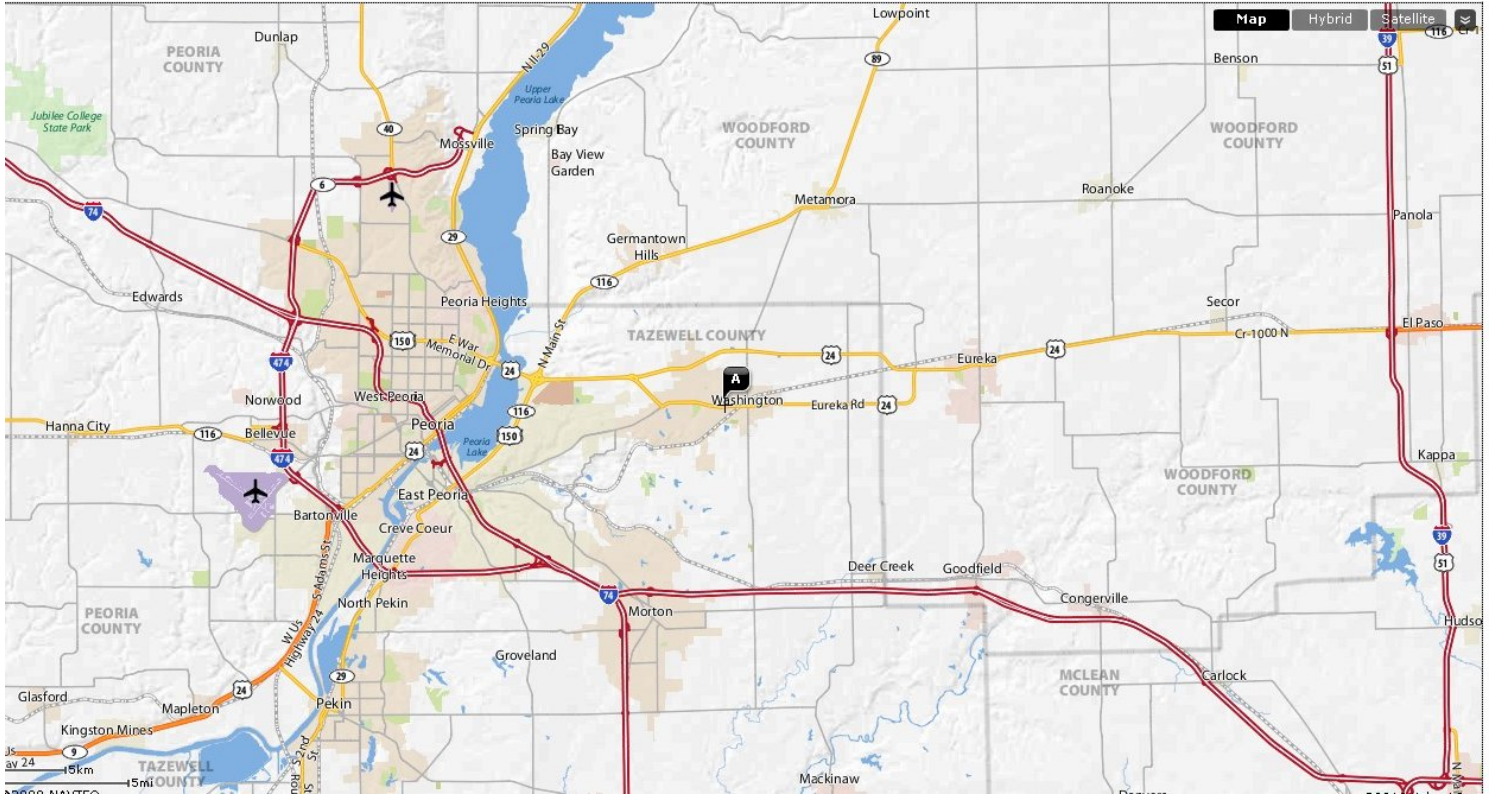
Five Points is Wireless Capable so **go green** and bring your laptop! Power sources will be available at certain tables. **You and your elder will still need to fill out a registration form to be turned in at the registration table in the morning.**

If you will not have a computer with you, please print off any Presbytery Papers you would like to have in hand at the Assembly Meeting because there will be limited sets available. Pastors!! Please be sure that your commissioners have access to a computer or are provided with copies of the papers by you.

**DAY PASS**

A \$10 Day Pass may be purchased from FivePoints for access to the Fitness and Aquatic Center. <http://fivepointswashington.org/other.htm>

# Presbytery of Great Rivers February 17, 2009



Presbytery of Great Rivers  
February 17, 2009



## **NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Nominating Committee nominates the following persons for the positions indicated. Each of the persons nominated has expressed a willingness to serve if elected. Nominations from the floor are in order but require the prior agreement of the persons who are being nominated. The Assembly Moderator will preside during the election process. Comments during the election process are to be directed to the Moderator.

The Nominating Committee thanks all those who currently serve on Presbytery councils and committees. If you are interested in serving on a Presbytery committee or council, please contact one of the members of the Nominating Committee. Members include: Gary Davis (2178.737.3359), Susan Baller-Shepard, Millie Eldridge, Jeffrey Johnson, Larry Lawson, Pam Putney, Jim Rebman, Bill Swaar, and Sandi Woodard.

### **YOUTH ADVISORY DELEGATE TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:**

Ms. Caitriona A. McGrath Nagle, Rock Island Gloria Dei Presbyterian Church

### **GENERAL ASSEMBLY FEMALE CLERGY ALTERNATE COMMISSIONER:**

The Rev. Julie Wells Blythe, United Presbyterian Church of Greenview

### **GENERAL ASSEMBLY MALE ELDER ALTERNATE COMMISSIONER:**

Mr. Michael Orr, Springfield First Presbyterian Church

### **COMMISSIONER TO THE SYNOD OF LINCOLN TRAILS:**

Mr. Nate Rush, Carlinville Federated Church

### **ILLINOIS PRESBYTERIAN HOME BOARD:**

Ms. Janet Glisson, Pleasant Plains – Farmingdale Presbyterian Church

### **ILLINOIS PRESBYTERIAN HOME BOARD:**

Mr. Russell Davis to Class of 2011

### **VISIONING COUNCIL:**

Mr. James Reis, Quincy New Church, adjunct member

# PRESBYTERY ASSEMBLY REGISTRATION

TO REGISTER FOR THE PRESBYTERY MEETING FOR: **February 23, 2010**

1. Complete this form and bring with you (one per person);
2. Turn in at registration table;
3. Receive supplemental papers, name tag, and worship bulletin.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Church CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

Church NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

I AM HERE AS:

**BLUE** NAME TAG FOR THE FOLLOWING: (**ALL ORDAINED MINISTERS OR CLP'S SERVING A CHURCH**)

_____ MINISTER - <b>SERVING CHURCH</b>	_____ MINISTER - <b>MEMBER AT LARGE</b>
_____ COMMISSIONED LAY PASTOR <b>SERVING CONGREGATION</b>	_____ MINISTER - <b>HONORABLY RETIRED</b>
_____ ELDER COMMISSIONER (commissioned by your session)	_____ MINISTER - <b>SPECIALIZED MINISTRIES</b>
OR	_____ COUNCIL OFFICER / MEMBER
_____ ALTERNATE ELDER COMMISSIONER (in place of Elder Commissioner commissioned by session)	

**BROWN** NAME TAG FOR THE FOLLOWING: (**VOICE WITHOUT A VOTE**)

\_\_\_\_\_ COMMITTEE MEMBER (not serving as delegate)

\_\_\_\_\_ CORRESPONDING MEMBER (minister or elder of \_\_\_\_\_ Presbytery)

\_\_\_\_\_ CERTIFIED CHRISTIAN EDUCATOR

\_\_\_\_\_ CANDIDATE

**RED** NAME TAG FOR THE FOLLOWING: (**WITHOUT VOICE / VOTE**)

\_\_\_\_\_ CERTIFIED LAY PASTOR (Not serving a church)

\_\_\_\_\_ INQUIRERS

\_\_\_\_\_ VISITOR

**IF YOU NEED HELP CHOOSING YOUR DESIGNATION,  
CONTACT THE PRESBYTERY OFFICE, 1- 800-537-8592 or, in Peoria 683-6980**

This is the **FIRST MEETING** of Presbytery of Great Rivers I have attended. \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

If the Presbytery **does not** have your address OR you have an **address change**, please add/correct:

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY / STATE / ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU WANT YOUR MAIL TO BE SENT TO: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_ CHURCH

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE PRESBYTERY'S ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER. (PROVIDE YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS ABOVE)

## STATED CLERK'S REPORT

Recommended action to the floor of Presbytery:

THAT THE STATED CLERK'S REPORT BE ENTERED INTO THE MINUTES AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS THEREIN BE ADOPTED.

### **1. MEMBERS TO BE RECEIVED, DISMISSED, HONORABLY RETIRED, REMOVED, OR DECEASED**

THAT the following minister(s) be received:

N/A

THAT the following minister(s) be listed as Honorably Retired:

N/A

THAT the following minister(s) be Dismissed:

Rev. Steve Knudson  
Rev. Paul DeJong  
Rev. Julie Peterson  
Rev. Stacia Thetard

THAT the following minister(s) be Removed from Rolls:

Rev. Ian Goslin

Deceased:

N/A

### **2. CURRENT ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSIONS**

THAT the following commissions be dismissed be dismissed, having completed its work:

The administrative commission appointed by the Committee on Ministry to Install Rev. John Zingaro as Pastor of Westminster Presbyterian church in Peoria, Illinois, on February 3, 2010.

The administrative commission appointed by the Committee on Ministry to Install Rev. Troy Agema at First Presbyterian Church in Princeville, Illinois on November 29, 2009.

The administrative commission appointed by the Committee on Ministry to install Rev. Mark Bedford as Pastor of the New Windsor Presbyterian Church of New Windsor, IL on November 22, 2009.

The administrative commission appointed by the Committee on Ministry to oversee the commissioning of Nollan Harwood as Commissioned Lay Pastor of Eureka Presbyterian Church in Eureka, Illinois on November 15, 2009.

The administrative commission appointed by the Committee on Ministry to oversee the commissioning of Michael Claver as co-Commissioned Lay Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Morton, IL on November 8, 2009.

### **3. SYNOD OF LINCOLN TRAILS**

Synopsis of the January 2010 Meeting of the Synod of Lincoln Trails. (see attached)

**4. CORRESPONDENCE**

Request from Bethel Presbyterian Church in Peoria, for waiver/exempt from term limits for elders.  
(G-14.0226c)

Request from United Church of Oneida for waiver/exempt from rotation of officer terms.  
(G-14.0226c)

Request from Knox Presbyterian Church in Springfield for waiver regarding the composition of Board of Deacons. They currently have no men on their new board. (G-14.0226c)

**5. BILLS & OVERTURES**

See Attached

**I. An overture suggesting an addition to the installation service for Ministers of Word and Sacrament**

The Presbytery of Great Rivers respectfully overtures the 219<sup>th</sup> General Assembly (2010) of the PCUSA to amend the Directory for Worship as follows:

That section W-4.4006 be amended by adding section c. as follows and re-lettering items c-g.

W-4.4006 c. Following the affirmative answers of the questions asked to the person being installed and to the members of the congregation, the moderator of the commission shall face the members of the presbytery and its constituent congregations who are present and shall ask them the following questions:

1. While N. was a candidate for ministry, his/her presbytery of care pledged to exercise responsibility for his/her spiritual growth, to support him/her with an understanding and sympathetic interest, and to help him/her to seek guidance for study. Do we, members and commissioners of the Presbytery of N and its constituent congregations, pledge to continue to care for N. with sympathy, understanding and support?
2. Will we be friends with this colleague in ministry, working together, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit?
3. Do we agree to encourage him/her, to solicit his/her opinions in matters before the presbytery, to work side by side as colleagues in ministry, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church?
4. Do we who are members and commissioners of the presbytery promise to oversee his/her call, ensuring that it meets standards for equitable pay and benefits; to assist this congregation in providing for his/her welfare as he/she works among us; to stand by him/her and this congregation in times of trouble and to share in their joy?

**Rationale:**

There are three parties to each call of a Minister of Word and Sacrament to serve as pastor, co-pastor, designated pastor or associate pastor of a congregation. Currently, the Directory for Worship only directs questions to two of those parties—the one being installed and the members of the congregation. These questions would include the presbytery, as the third party to the call, to make its own affirmations during the installation service.

The Bills and Overtures Committee **recommends** that this overture be forwarded to the General Assembly and that the **Reverend Daniel DeBeer** serve as Overture Advocate for this overture.

**II. An overture addressing the issue of Moderatorial appointments of special committees**

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**Rationale:**

The General Assembly has a procedure for nominating members of standing committees and other entities which is detailed both in the Book of Order and in the Manual of the General Assembly. This process is designed to provide for balance among the members of the committees and entities with regard to geography, ethnicity, age, and so on. The process for nomination to and election by the General Assembly also gives the whole church, through its elected commissioners, a voice in naming the members of groups that recommend policy to the whole church. Only in very rare circumstances should this careful procedure for nomination and open method of election, with the possibility of nominations from the body at large, be set aside in favor of some time-sensitive or emergency decision to be made.

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**SUPPLEMENTAL**

**CALLS AND CONTRACTS**

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Salary: \$20,000/year  
Auto Allowance: \$4,000/year  
Other/Continuing Ed: \$500  
Vacation: 12 days/year including 4 Sundays  
Study Leave: as approved by session
- Rev Randall Paine-Clinton Presbyterian Church-Clinton  
**Motion passed** to approve the Interim Ministry Contract between the Rev. Randall Paine and Clinton Presbyterian Church in Clinton, IL. This is a full time position beginning February 1, 2010 and ending July 31, 2010.  
Cash Salary: \$31,800  
Utilities, etc: \$2,400  
Housing Allowance: \$1,400  
TOTAL Effective Salary: \$48,200  
Board of Pensions: \$15,183  
Supplemental Health: \$3,500  
Vacation: Four weeks including four Sundays  
Mileage Reimbursement: \$3,500  
Continuing Education: \$1,000
- Charles Houston, First Presbyterian Church-Green-Valley  
**Motion passed** to approve the Commissioned Lay pastor Agreement between Charles Houston and First Presbyterian Church in Green Valley, Illinois. This is a part time (50%) position beginning 03/09/10 and ending 03/09/11.  
Salary: \$15,000.00 per year  
FICA: \$1,147.50  
Auto Allowance: \$1,800.00  
Other/Continuing Ed: \$750.00  
Professional Expenses: \$350.00  
Vacation: 30 days including 4 Sundays  
Study Leave: 2 weeks per year including 2 Sundays
- Josh Erickson, Second Presbyterian Church-Bloomington  
**Motion passed** to approve the Stated Supply Agreement between Josh Erickson and Second Presbyterian Church in Bloomington, Illinois. This is a full-time position beginning.  
Cash Salary: \$29,485  
Annuities (deferred income): \$1,820  
Housing Allowance: \$11,400  
Social Security Stipend (Offset): \$3,307  
Dependent Care: \$520  
TOTAL Effective Salary: \$46,532  
Board of Pensions: \$4,755  
Vacation: Four weeks including four Sundays  
Mileage Reimbursement: \$1,000  
Professional Expense: \$2,500

### **MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS**

- **Motion passed** to release Rev. Julie Peterson to the Presbytery of Milwaukee effective March 1, 2010.
- **Motion passed** to approve the retirement of Rev. Randy Paine effective August 1, 2010.
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- **Motion passed** to dismiss with thanks the Installation Commission of Rev. John Zingaro and Peoria Westminster
- **Motion passed** to approve the commission to install the **Rev. Kathy Stoner-Lasala** as pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Macomb, IL on March 7, 2010 at 3:00 pm.  
Rev. Rev. Daniel de Beer (Moderator), First Presbyterian Church-Lewistown  
Rev. Marisa Rozdilsky, First Presbyterian Church-Canton  
Rev. Agnes Brady, United Presbyterian Church-Norwood  
Elder Fred Taylor, Norwood United Presbyterian Church-Alexis  
Elder Sherrill Mixer, Broadway Presbyterian Church-Rock Island  
Elder Jim Calhoun, First Presbyterian Church-Macomb  
**Corresponding Members:**  
Rev. Lara MacGregor, First Presbyterian Church, Macomb  
Rev. Bill Myers, Faith United Presbyterian Church-Monmouth  
Rev. Randy Schafer, Scotland Trinity Presbyterian Church-Macomb  
Elder Sheila Nollen, First Presbyterian Church-Macomb
- **Motion passed** to approve the commission to ordain **Josh Erickson** at Second Presbyterian Church in Bloomington, IL on April 11, 2010 at 4:00 pm.  
Rev. Daniel DeBeer, First Presbyterian Church-Lewistown  
Rev. Rev Andrew Gifford, St. Luke Union Church-Bloomington  
Rev. Rev Rick Tindall, First Presbyterian Church-Danvers  
Elder Sandi Gifford, St. Luke Union Church-Bloomington  
Elder Mons Schrantz, First Presbyterian Church-Normal  
Elder Cynthia Wurmnest, First Presbyterian Church-Danvers  
**Corresponding Members:**  
Rev. Daniel D Meyer, Chicago Presbytery
- **Motion passed** to add the Continuing Education Grant Guidelines to the Manual of Operation under COM. The wording is as follows:  
  
*Ministers of Word and Sacrament and Commissioned Lay Pastors may apply for Continuing Education Grants of up to \$500 in one year, but may only receive \$500 every three years.*  
  
*Ministers of Word and Sacrament who are pursuing a Doctor of Ministry degree may request a total of \$500 over the course of their entire degree program, but may not receive more than \$250 in a calendar year.*  
  
*Grants are designed to help ministers and lay pastors continue their education in ways that will support their ministry in their current contexts and are designed to assist those who are in the greatest financial need of grants.*

*Continuing Education Grants are a way for the Presbytery of Great Rivers to partner with churches, ministers, and lay pastors in ministry. Those who receive grants can partner with the presbytery to share their knowledge. Those receiving grants shall share their education experience in some way. This could be done by giving a brief presentation at an assembly meeting, writing a brief article for the Good News Newsletter, leading a seminar, or in some other creative way.*

- **Motion passed** to release the Rev. Stacia Thetard from member at large to Sheppards & Lapsley Presbytery.
- **Motion passed** to approve Rev. Bill Delong as parish associate at Normal New Covenant.
- **Motion passed** to approve Rev. Gerald Boutelle as Parish Associate for Westminster Presbyterian Church in Springfield effective January 10, 2010 through March 15, 2010. This is a part-time position (33%) to be paid at the rate of \$19.00 per hour.

**Ebersolt Funds** - addresses listed in 'comments' for each recipient

Activity	Allocation %	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Indian Point PreSchool					200.00	200.00	3,700.00
Indian Point Dental Care Program					583.53		
Menard Caring	19.70%	<b>2,662.00</b>	<b>2,662.00</b>	2,500.00	1,000.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Menard County Mentoring					1,200.00	1,520.33	1,000.00
Athens Area Food Pantry	15.54%	<b>2,100.00</b>	<b>2,100.00</b>	2,000.00			
Greenview Food Pantry	14.80%	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>	2,500.00	2,700.00	3,000.00	2,500.00
Greenview Family & Youth Ministry	10.36%	<b>1,388.53</b>	<b>1,400.00</b>	1,400.00	1,700.00	1,000.00	250.00
CPC Parish Nurse					300.00	180.00	180.00
CPC & Rock Creek Youth Program						4,800.00	4,800.00
Central Youth Program	10.36%	<b>1,388.54</b>	<b>1,400.00</b>	1,400.00	1,700.00		
Rock Creek Youth Program	10.36%	<b>1,388.54</b>	<b>1,400.00</b>	1,400.00	1,700.00		
Rock Creek Spiritual Center	18.86%	<b>2,547.63</b>	<b>2,547.63</b>	2,976.53	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
		<b>13,475.24</b>	<b>13,509.63</b>	14,176.53	15,083.53	15,900.33	17,630.00



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2Chronicles 7:1-22	27th Ordinary/World Communion
2Chronicles 19:4-20:30	All Saints' Day
2Chronicles 30:1-27	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ezra 9:5-15	Good Friday
Nehemiah 9:1-38	First Sunday of Lent
Job 32:1-22	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Job 33:1-33	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Job 34:1-20	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Job 34:21-37	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Job 35:1-16	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Job 36:1-23	Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Job 36:24-37:24	Transfiguration Sunday
Psalms 3	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalms 3	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalms 6	First Sunday of Lent
Psalms 7	Holy Saturday - The Great Vigil
Psalms 7	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalms 10	4th Sunday of Easter
Psalms 11	Transfiguration Sunday
Psalms 12	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalms 17	Holy Saturday - The Great Vigil
Psalms 17:8-14 (15)	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalms 18	First Sunday of Advent

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Psalm 21	Christmas Eve
Psalm 25:11-22	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 28	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 31: (105) 6-14 (15-16) 17-24	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 33: (1-12) 13-22	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 34:11-18	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 35	Christmas Day
Psalm 35	Sixth Sunday of Lent (Palm)
Psalm 35	Trinity Sunday
Psalm 37: (1-2) 12-38 (39-40)	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 38	Third Sunday of Lent
Psalm 39	Fourth Sunday of Lent
Psalm 40: (1-11) 12-17	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 41	27th Ordinary/World Communion
Psalm 44	Christmas Morning
Psalm 44	Holy Saturday - The Great Vigil
Psalm 49	5th Sunday of Easter
Psalm 50: (7-8) 9-21 (22-23)	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 54	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 55	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 55	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 56	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 57	Holy Saturday - The Great Vigil
Psalm 57	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 58	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 59	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 60	3rd Sunday of Easter
Psalm 61	Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 64	2nd Sunday of Easter
Psalm 68:11-31 (32-35)	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 69	Baptism of the Lord/1st Ordinary
Psalm 71:15-24	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 73	Second Sunday of Christmas
Psalm 74	Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 75	Epiphany (January 6)
Psalm 75	The Resurrection of the Lord
Psalm 75	Resurrection Evening
Psalm 76	Epiphany (January 6)
Psalm 76	The Resurrection of the Lord
Psalm 76	Resurrection Evening
Psalm 77: (1-2) 3-10 (11-20)	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 81:(1) 2-9 (10-16)	Third Sunday of Advent

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Psalm 82	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 87	Christ the King Sunday
Psalm 88	Good Friday
Psalm 89:5-18, 38-52	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 92:(1-4) 5-11 (12-15)	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 94	Christmas Day
Psalm 94	Sixth Sunday of Lent (Palm)
(Psalm 95)	Second Sunday of Advent
(Psalm 95)	Third Sunday of Advent
Psalm 101	Fifth Sunday of Lent
Psalm 102	Ash Wednesday
Psalm 105:(1-6)2-15, 26-36 (37, 43-45)	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 106:(1) 7-18, 24-28 (43-48)	Second Sunday of Advent
Psalm 107:(1-3)10-16, 23-32(33-37) 38-42(43)	All Saints' Day
Psalm 108	Holy Saturday - The Great Vigil
Psalm 108	3rd Sunday of Easter
Psalm 109	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 110	First Sunday of Christmas
Psalm 113	Maundy Thursday
Psalm 115	7th Sunday of Easter
Psalm 117	Christ the King Sunday
Psalm 119:(1-16) 17-32	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 119:73-96	2nd Sunday of Easter
Psalm 119:113-136	Pentecost Sunday
Psalm 119:145-176	Holy Saturday - The Great Vigil
Psalm 119:145-176	Ascension (Thursday)
Psalm 129	6th Sunday of Easter
Psalm 134	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 136	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 140	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 141	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 142	Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalm 143	Second Sunday of Lent
Psalm 144	Fourth Sunday of Advent
Psalm 149	Holy Saturday - The Great Vigil
Proverbs 1:1-7	Ascension (Thursday)
Ecclesiastes 5:1-20	Christmas Eve
Ecclesiastes 5:1-20	4th Sunday of Easter
Ecclesiastes 7:1-14	Christmas Eve

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Ecclesiastes 7:15-29	Christmas Morning
Ecclesiastes 8:1-17	Trinity Sunday
Song 4:9-5:16	Holy Saturday - The Great Vigil
Isaiah 1:1-20	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 5:8-17	9th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 5:18-24	10th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 6:8-13	Christmas Day
Isaiah 6:8-13	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 26:1-21	Holy Saturday - The Great Vigil
Isaiah 26:7-27:1	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 29:1-24	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 37:14-38	Fourth Sunday of Lent
Isaiah 43:8-15	Sixth Sunday of Lent (Palm)
Isaiah 45:20-25	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 54:1-4 (5-14) 15-17	Fourth Sunday of Lent
Isaiah 57:14-21	Ash Wednesday
Isaiah 63:(7-9) 10-19	Fifth Sunday of Lent
Isaiah 65:10-65	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jeremiah 4:19-31	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jeremiah 7:1-14	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jeremiah 8:4-13	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jeremiah 9:23-24; 24:1-10	7th Sunday of Easter
Jeremiah 10:1-16 (17-25)	Christmas Day
Jeremiah 22:1-9	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jeremiah 24:1-10	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jeremiah 25:15-38	Good Friday
Ezekiel 7:(1-9) 10-27	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ezekiel 17:22-24	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ezekiel 31:1-18	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ezekiel 33:23-33	Christmas Eve
Ezekiel 47:1-12	Second Sunday of Lent
Daniel 2:1-49	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Daniel 4:1-37	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Daniel (11:40-45) 12:1-13	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Daniel 12:1-13	Pentecost Sunday
Hosea 14:1-9	2nd Sunday of Easter

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Amos 4:1-3	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Obadiah 1-21	Christ the King Sunday
Micah 7:1-7 Micah 7:1-20	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Christmas Morning
Nahum 1:1-11 Nahum 1:12-15 Nahum 2:1-13 Nahum 3:1-19	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Habakkuk 3:1-19	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Haggai 1:1-14 (15) Haggai 1:1-14 (15) (Haggai 1:15-2:9) Haggai 2:10-19 Haggai 2:20-23	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time All Saints' Day 27th Ordinary/World Communion 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Zechariah 7:1-14 Zechariah 8:1-23 Zechariah 9:1-8 (9-12) 13-17 Zechariah 13:1-9 Zechariah 14:(1-3) 4-9 (10-21)	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time 3rd Sunday of Easter 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Malachi 1:1-14 Malachi 3:6-18 (4:1-6)	First Sunday of Advent 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 6:7-15 Matthew 7:1-23 Matthew 7:1-12 Matthew 7:13-20 Matthew 8:1-4; 9:1-8 Matthew 8:5-13 Matthew 8:14-34 Matthew 9:27-34 Matthew 10:9-23 Matthew 10:9-23 Matthew 10:17-22a; 24:9-14 Matthew 11: (1-11) 12-24 (25-30)	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Holy Saturday - The Great Vigil Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Transfiguration Sunday First Sunday of Christmas 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Christmas Morning Pentecost Sunday 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Second Sunday of Christmas

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Matthew 12:1-21	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 12:22-50	Christmas Eve
Matthew 12:22-37	Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 12:38-50	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 13:10-17 (18-33) 34-35	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 13:53-58	Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 14:1-12	Baptism of the Lord/1st Ordinary
Matthew 15:1-20	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 15:29-39; 16:1-12	5th Sunday of Easter
Matthew 17:9-20	Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 18:1-14 (15-20)	6th Sunday of Easter
Matthew 21:12-22	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 22:23-33	4th Sunday of Easter
Matthew 23:13-39	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 24:1-8	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 24:15-22	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 24:23-35 (36-44)	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 24:(36-44) 45-51	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 26:1-19	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 26:20-35	27th Ordinary/World Communion
Matthew 26:36-56	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 26:57-27:1-2	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 27:3-31a	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 27:31b-56	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 27:(45-49) 50-56	All Saints' Day
Matthew 27:57-66	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 27:62-66	Holy Saturday - The Great Vigil
Mark 3:7-19	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mark 4:1-25	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mark 5:1-20	First Sunday of Christmas
Mark 7:1-20	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mark 8:1-26	5th Sunday of Easter
Mark 9:9-29	Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mark 11:27-33	7th Sunday of Easter
Mark 12:18-27	4th Sunday of Easter
Mark 12:35-37	Ascension (Thursday)
Mark 12:35-37	7th Sunday of Easter
Mark 13:1-8	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mark 13:9-13	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mark 13:14-20	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mark 11:12-25 (26)	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mark 14:1-16	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mark 14:17-31	27th Ordinary/World Communion
Mark 14:32-52	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mark 14:53-15:1	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mark 15:2-20a	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mark 15:20b-41	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mark 15:42-47	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 1:1-25	First Sunday of Advent
Luke 1:(57) 58-67 (68-79) 80	Second Sunday of Advent
Luke 3:23-38	Third Sunday of Advent
Luke 5:12-26	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 5:27-39	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 6:1-16	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 7:18-35	Second Sunday of Christmas
Luke 7:36-8:3	Holy Saturday - The Great Vigil
Luke 8:4-25; 13:18-21	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 9:18-27 (28-36) 37-45	Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 9:46-50; 17:1-4	6th Sunday of Easter
Luke 11:14-36 (37-54)	Christmas Eve
Luke 11:14-23	Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 11:24-36	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 11:37-54	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 12:(35-40) 41-48	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 12:1-12	Christmas Morning
Luke 12:1-12	Pentecost Sunday
Luke 17:20-37	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 20:1-8	7th Sunday of Easter
(Luke 20:27-40)	4th Sunday of Easter
Luke 20:41-47	Ascension (Thursday)
Luke 20:41-47	7th Sunday of Easter
Luke 21:20-24	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 22:1-38 (39-46)	Maundy Thursday
Luke 22:1-13	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 22:14-38	27th Ordinary/World Communion
Luke 22:39-53	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 22:54-23:1	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 23:(1-12) 13-49	Good Friday
Luke 23:2-25	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 23:26-32	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 23:33-49	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 23:50-56	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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John 3:22-38	Fourth Sunday of Advent
John 4:43-54	Transfiguration Sunday
John 5:1-18	Ash Wednesday
John 5:19-30	The Resurrection of the Lord
John 5:31-47	Epiphany (January 6)
John 5:31-47	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
John 7:1-13	First Sunday of Lent
John 7:14-39	Second Sunday of Lent
John 7:40-52	Third Sunday of Lent
John 7:53-8:11	Maundy Thursday
John 8:12-30	Fourth Sunday of Lent
John 8:31-47	Fifth Sunday of Lent
John 8:48-59	Sixth Sunday of Lent (Palm)
John 10:19-21 (22-31) 32-42	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
John 11:45-57	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
John 12:17-19, 37-50	Christmas Day
John 12:17-19, 37-50	Christ the King Sunday
John 13:1-20	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
John 13:21-38	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
John 15:18-25 (26-27); 16:1-4a	Trinity Sunday
John 16:16-24	2nd Sunday of Easter
John 16:25-33	3rd Sunday of Easter
John 18:1-12	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
John 18:13-28	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
John 18:29-19:16	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
John 19:17-30	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
John 19:31-42	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
John 20:19-29	Resurrection Evening
Romans 1:2(b)-28 (29-32) 33-36	Christmas Day
Romans 1:8-15 (16-17) 18-32; 2:1-11	Sixth Sunday of Lent (Palm)
Romans 2:12-29	Maundy Thursday
Romans 3:1-22a	Christmas Morning
Romans 7:1-12	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Romans 9:6-33	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Romans 11:2-28 (29-32) 33-36	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Romans 14:13-23	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Romans 15:1-3, 14-33	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Romans 16:1-25 (26-27)	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
1Corinthians 3:12-15 (3:16-4:5) 4:6-21	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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1Corinthians 5:1-5 (6-8) 9-13; 6:1-11	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
1Corinthians 7:1-40	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
1Corinthians 9:1-15	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
1Corinthians 10:(14-17) 18-11:1	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
1Corinthians 11:2-22 (23-32) 33-34	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
1Corinthians 14:1-40	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
1Corinthians 15:(20-26) 27-50 (51-58)	Holy Saturday - The Great Vigil
1Corinthians 15:27-50 (51-57)	Christ the King Sunday
1Corinthians 16:1-24	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
2Corinthians 1:1-17 (18-22)	The Resurrection of the Lord
2Corinthians 1:23-2:17	2nd Sunday of Easter
2Corinthians 3:7-11(4:16-5:1)	
5:2-5(6-10)	Resurrection Evening
2Corinthians 6:11-7:1	3rd Sunday of Easter
2Corinthians 7:2-16	4th Sunday of Easter
2Corinthians 8:1-6 (7-15) 16-24	5th Sunday of Easter
2Corinthians 9	6th Sunday of Easter
2Corinthians 10	7th Sunday of Easter
2Corinthians 11:1-12:1	Pentecost Sunday
2Corinthians 12:11-21; 13:1-10 (11-13)	Trinity Sunday
Galatians 1:1-24	Ash Wednesday
Galatians 1:1-24	First Sunday of Lent
Galatians 2:1-14 (15-21)	First Sunday of Lent
Galatians 2:1-14 (15-21)	Second Sunday of Lent
Galatians 3:1-22	Third Sunday of Lent
Galatians 4:1-5:1	Fourth Sunday of Lent
Galatians 5:(1) 2-12 (13-25) 26	Fifth Sunday of Lent
Galatians 6:1-18	Sixth Sunday of Lent (Palm)
Ephesians 2:11-22	Ash Wednesday
Ephesians 4:17-25 (4:26-5:1-2) 5:3-7	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ephesians 5:21-33; 6:1-9 (10-20) 21-24	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Philippians 2:14-30	Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Colossians 1:29-2:5 (16-19) 20-23	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Colossians 3:18-4:18	27th Ordinary/World Communion
1Timothy 3	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
1Timothy 4	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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1 Timothy 5	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Titus 1	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Hebrews 1:13-2:4	First Sunday of Advent
Hebrews 3:1-19	Second Sunday of Advent
Hebrews 4:1-11 (12-16)	Third Sunday of Advent
Hebrews 5:11-6:20	Fourth Sunday of Advent
Hebrews 7:1-28	First Sunday of Christmas
Hebrews 8:1-13	Second Sunday of Christmas
Hebrews 9:1-28	Baptism of the Lord/1st Ordinary
Hebrews 10:1-4 (10-14) 26-39	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Hebrews 11:(1-3) 4-7, 17-28 (39-40)	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Hebrews 12:(1-3) 4-17	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Hebrews 13:9-14 (15-16) 17-25	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Hebrews 13:9-14, 17-25	Transfiguration Sunday
James 1:1-27	First Sunday of Lent
James 1:1-16	Ash Wednesday
James 1:17-27	Christmas Eve
James 1:17-2:13	First Sunday of Lent
James 2:1-26	Second Sunday of Lent
James 2:(14-17) 18-26	Second Sunday of Lent
James 3:1-18	Third Sunday of Lent
James 4:4-17	Fourth Sunday of Lent
James 5:1-20	Fifth Sunday of Lent
1 Peter 4:1-19	Good Friday
2 Peter 1:1-15	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Peter 2:1-22	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Peter 2:1-22	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Peter 2:1-22	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Peter 3:1-7, 15-18	Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
1 John 2:3-29	Epiphany (January 6)
1 John 2:3-29	Ascension (Thursday)
1 John 2:3-29	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
1 John (3:8-15) 4:1-6	Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 John	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 John	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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3John

All Saints' Day

Jude

Transfiguration Sunday

Revelation 1:8-20

Resurrection Evening

## PART II

### Year D – Texts for Preaching *Lectio dialectica*<sup>1</sup>

#### THE ADVENT-CHRISTMAS-EPIPHANY CYCLE

##### The First Sunday of Advent

Malachi 1:1-14

Psalm 18

Luke 1:1-25

Hebrews 1:13-2:4

##### The Second Sunday of Advent

Numbers 12 OR 20:1-13 (14-21) 22-29

Psalm 106:(1) 7-18, 24-28 (43-48) (OR Psalm 95)

Luke 1:(57) 58-67 (68-79) 80

Hebrews 3:1-19

##### The Third Sunday of Advent

Joshua 23:1-16

Psalm 81:(1) 2-9 (10-16) (OR Psalm 95)

Luke 3:23-38

Hebrews 4:1-11 (12-16)

##### The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Numbers 14:1-25

Psalm 144

John 3:22-38

Hebrews 5:11-6:20

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<sup>1</sup> It is suggested, in light of the current three-year (ABC) cycle of the RCL and the two-year lectionary, the preacher may wish to consider commencing the insertion of Year D beginning December 2, 2007, and recurring every fourth year, i.e., November 27, 2011, November 29, 2015, December 1, 2019, etc.

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### Christmas Eve

Ecclesiastes 5:1-20 OR 7:1-14 OR Ezekiel 33:23-33

Psalm 21

Matthew 12:22-50 OR Luke 11:14-36 (37-54)

James 1:17-27

### Christmas Morning

Ecclesiastes 7:15-29 OR Micah 7:1-20

Psalm 44

Matthew 10:9-23 OR Luke 12:1-12

Romans 3:1-22a

### Christmas Day

Isaiah 6:8-13 OR Jeremiah 10:1-16 (17-25)

Psalm 35 OR Psalm 94

John 12:17-19, 37-50

Romans 1:2(b)-28 (29-32) 33-36

### The First Sunday of Christmas

Genesis 14:1-24

Psalm 110

Matthew 8:14-34 OR Mark 5:1-20

Hebrews 7:1-28

### The Second Sunday of Christmas

Exodus 25:1-40

Psalm 73

Matthew 11: (1-11) 12-24 (25-30) OR Luke 7:18-35

Hebrews 8:1-13

### Epiphany (January 6)

Deuteronomy 4:9-24 (25-31) 32-40

Psalm 75 OR 76

John 5:31-47

1 John 2:3-29

### The Baptism of the Lord/First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Leviticus 16:1-34

Psalm 69

Matthew 14:1-12

Hebrews 9:1-28

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### Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 26:7-27:1

Psalms 109

Matthew 8:1-4; 9:1-8 OR Luke 5:12-26

Hebrews 10:1-4 (10-14) 26-39

### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Job 32:1-22

Psalms 89:5-18, 38-52

Luke 5:27-39

Hebrews 11:(1-3) 4-7, 17-28 (39-40)

### Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time\*

Job 33:1-33

Psalms 34:11-18

Matthew 12:1-21 OR Mark 3:7-19 OR Luke 6:1-16

Hebrews 12:(1-3) 4-17

### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time\*

Job 34:1-20

Psalms 28

Matthew 6:7-15

Hebrews 13:9-14 (15-16) 17-25

### Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time\*

Job 34:21-37

Psalms 12

Matthew 7:1-12

2Peter 1:1-15

### Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time\*

Job 35:1-16

Psalms 119:(1-16) 17-32

Matthew 7:13-20

2Peter 2

### Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time\*

Job 36:1-23

Psalms 61

Matthew 13:53-58

2Peter 3:1-7, 15-18

[\* = Fourth to Eighth Sundays in Ordinary Time may be preempted by Transfiguration Sunday]

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Transfiguration Sunday

Job 36:24-37:24

Psalm 11

Matthew 8:5-13 OR John 4:43-54

Jude (OR Hebrews 13:9-14, 17-25, if Transfiguration preempts the Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time)

**THE LENT-RESURRECTION-PENTECOST CYCLE**

Ash Wednesday

Isaiah 57:14-21

Psalm 102

John 5:1-18

James 1:1-16 OR Eph 2:11-22 OR Gal 1:1-24

The First Sunday of Lent

Deuteronomy 10:12-22 OR Nehemiah 9:1-38

Psalm 6

John 7:1-13

Galatians 2:1-14 (15-21) OR Gal 1:1-24 OR James 1:1-27  
OR James 1:17-2:13

The Second Sunday of Lent

Ezekiel 47:1-12

Psalm 143

John 7:14-39

James 2:(14-17) 18-26 OR James 2:1-26 OR Gal 2:1-14 (15-21)

The Third Sunday of Lent

Genesis 13 OR 2Samuel 7:18-29

Psalm 38

John 7:40-52

Galatians 3:1-22 OR James 3:1-18

The Fourth Sunday of Lent

Isaiah 54:1-4 (5-14) 15-17 OR Isaiah 37:14-38

Psalm 39

John 8:12-30

James 4:4-17 OR Gal 4:1-5:1

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The Fifth Sunday of Lent

Genesis 4:1-16 OR Isaiah 63:(7-9) 10-19

Psalms 101

John 8:31-47

Galatians 5:(1) 2-12 (13-25) 26 OR James 5:1-20

The Sixth Sunday of Lent (Palm Sunday)

Deuteronomy 11:1-17 OR Isaiah 43:8-15

Psalms 94 OR 35

John 8:48-59

Romans 1:8-15 (16-17) 18-32; 2:1-11 OR Gal 6:1-18

Maundy Thursday

Deuteronomy 30:1-14

Psalms 113

John 7:53-8:11 OR Luke 22:1-38 (39-46)

Romans 2:12-29

Good Friday

Ezra 9:5-15 OR Jeremiah 25:15-38 OR 2Chronicles 7:1-22

Psalms 88

Luke 23:(1-12) 13-49

1Peter 4:1-19

Holy Saturday - The Great Vigil

Numbers 10:33-36; Deuteronomy 10:11-12:1; Judges 5:1-31;

Song 4:9-5:16; Isaiah 26:1-21

Psalms 7; 17; 44; 57 OR 108; 119:145-176; 149

Matthew 7:1-23; Luke 7:36-8:3; Matthew 27:62-66

1Corinthians 15:(20-26) 27-50 (51-58)

The Resurrection of the Lord

Deuteronomy 7:1-26

Psalms 75 OR 76

John 5:19-30

2Corinthians 1:1-17 (18-22)

Resurrection Evening

Exodus 34:29:34 OR Deuteronomy 9:8-21

Psalms 75 OR 76

John 20:19-29

2Corinthians 3:7-11 (4:16-5:1) 5:2-5 (6-10) OR Revelation 1:8-20

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2nd Sunday of Easter

Hosea 14:1-9  
Psalm 64 OR 119:73-96  
John 16:16-24  
2Corinthians 1:23-2:17

3rd Sunday of Easter

Zechariah 13:1-9  
Psalm 60 OR 108  
John 16:25-33  
2Corinthians 6:11-7:1

4th Sunday of Easter

Genesis 38:1-30 OR Ecclesiastes 5:1-20  
Psalm 10  
Matthew 22:23-33 OR Mark 12:18-27 (OR Luke 20:27-40)  
2Corinthians 7:2-16

5th Sunday of Easter

1Samuel 21:1-15 OR 2Kings 4:38-44  
Psalm 49  
Matthew 15:29-39; 16:1-12 OR Mark 8:1-26  
2Corinthians 8:1-6 (7-15) 16-24

6th Sunday of Easter

Deuteronomy 15:1-18 OR 19:15-21  
Psalm 129  
Matthew 18:1-14 (15-20) OR Luke 9:46-50; 17:1-4  
2Corinthians 9

Ascension (Thursday)

Proverbs 1:1-7  
Psalm 119:145-176  
Mark 12:35-37 OR Luke 20:41-47  
1John 2:3-29

7th Sunday of Easter

Jeremiah 9:23-24; 24:1-10  
Psalm 115  
Mark 11:27-33 [AND Mark 12:35-37 if Ascension not observed]  
OR Luke 20:1-8 [AND Luke 20:41-47 is Ascension not observed]  
2Corinthians 10

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**Pentecost Sunday**

Exodus 4:1-17 OR Deuteronomy 5:1-15 (6-21) 22-33 OR 31:23-29

OR Daniel 12:1-13

Psalm 119:113-136

Matthew 10:9-23 OR Luke 12:1-12

2Corinthians 11:1-12:1

**Trinity Sunday**

1Kings 9:1-9; 11:1-13 OR Ecclesiastes 8:1-17

Psalm 35

John 15:18-25 (26-27); 16:1-4a

2Corinthians 12:11-21; 13:1-10 (11-13)

**Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Deuteronomy 31:30-32:27 OR Isaiah 5:8-17

Psalm 142

Matthew 17:9-20 OR Mark 9:9-29 OR Luke 9:18-27 (28-36) 37-45

Philippians 2:14-30

**Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Deuteronomy 32:28-47 OR Isaiah 5:18-24

Psalm 74

Matthew 12:22-37 OR Luke 11:14-23

1John (3:8-15) 4:1-6

**11th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Isaiah 6:8-13 OR Ezekiel 17:22-24 OR 31:1-18 OR Daniel 4:1-37

Psalm 7

Matthew 13:10-17 (18-33) 34-35 OR Mark 4:1-25 OR Luke 8:4-25; 13:18-21

Ephesians 4:17-25 (4:26-5:1-2) 5:3-7 OR 2Peter 2:1-22

**12th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Isaiah 29:1-24 OR Isaiah 59:1-21

Psalm 55

Matthew 15:1-20 OR Mark 7:1-20

1Timothy 4

**13th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

2Kings 20:1-21 OR Amos 4:1-3 OR Malachi 3:6-18 (4:1-6)

Psalm 56

Matthew 9:27-34 OR John 5:31-47

1Corinthians 3:12-15 (3:16-4:5) 4:6-21 OR 2John

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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2Kings 6:8-23

Psalm 57 OR 3

Matthew 12:38-50 OR Luke 11:24-36

1Corinthians 5:1-5 (6-8) 9-13; 6:1-11

**THE APOCALYPTIC DISCOURSE**  
[15th - 19th Sundays in Ordinary Time]

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 7:1-14 OR Daniel 2:1-49

Psalm 17:8-14 (15) OR 83

Matthew 24:1-8 OR Mark 13:1-8

1Corinthians 7:1-40

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 31:23-29 OR Micah 7:1-7 OR Daniel (11:40-45) 12:1-13

Psalm 54

Matthew 10:17-22a; 24:9-14 OR Mark 13:9-13

1Corinthians 9:1-15

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 4:32-40 OR Isaiah 65:10-65 OR Ezekiel 7:(1-9) 10-27

OR Zechariah 14:(1-3) 4-9 (10-21)

Psalm 50: (7-8) 9-21 (22-23) OR 105:(1-6) 12-15, 26-36 (37, 43-45)

Matthew 24:15-22 OR Mark 13:14-20 OR Luke 21:20-24

1Corinthians 10:(14-17) 18-11:1

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 19:1-29

Psalm 59

Matthew 24:23-35 (36-44) OR Luke 17:20-37

1John 2:3-29 OR 2John OR 2Peter 2:1-22

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 6:1-8 OR Zechariah 9:1-8 (9-12) 13-17

Psalm 37: (1-2) 12-38 (39-40)

Matthew 24:(36-44) 45-51 OR Luke 12:(35-40) 41-48

1Corinthians 11:2-22 (23-26) 27-34

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**PRELUDE TO THE PASSION**

[20th - 23rd Sundays in Ordinary Time]

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 22:1-9 OR Zechariah 7:1-14

Psalm 58

Matthew 23:13-39 OR Luke 11:37-54

1Timothy 3

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 3:1-7 (8-21) 22-24 OR Jeremiah 8:4-13 OR 24:1-10

OR Habakkuk 3:1-19

Psalm 140

Matthew 21:12-22 OR Mark 11:12-25 (26)

Colossians 1:29-2:5 (16-19) 20-23

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Numbers 11:1-30 OR Isaiah 45:20-25 OR Jeremiah 4:19-31

OR Zechariah 8:1-23

Psalm 68:11-31 (32-35) OR 120

John 10:19-21 (22-30) 31-42

1Corinthians 14:1-40

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 28:(1-29) 30-43 OR 2Samuel 15:30-37; 16:15-17:4

OR 2Chronicles 30:1-27

Psalm 141

John 11:45-57

1Corinthians 16:1-24

**THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST**

[24th - 33rd Sundays in Ordinary Time]

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 16:1-17

Psalm 92: (1-4) 5-11 (12-15)

Matthew 26:1-19 OR Mark 14:1-16 OR Luke 22:1-13

1Timothy 5

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### 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 1:1-20

Psalm 25:11-22

John 13:1-20

Titus 1

### 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Haggai 1:1-14 (15)

Psalm 136

John 13:21-38

Ephesians 5:21-33; 6:1-9 (10-20) 21-24

### 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time [WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY]

2Chronicles 7:1-22 (OR Haggai 1:15-2:9)

Psalm 41

Matthew 26:20-35 OR Mark 14:17-31 OR Luke 22:14-38

Colossians 3:18-4:18

### 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Haggai 2:10-19

Psalm 3 AND 134

Matthew 26:36-56 OR Mark 14:32-52 OR Luke 22:39-53

OR John 18:1-12

Romans 7:1-12

### 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Haggai 2:20-23 OR Dan 7: (1-3) 4-14 (15-18) 19-28

Psalm 38 OR 55

Matthew 26:57-27:1-2 OR Mark 14:53-15:1 OR Luke 22:54-23:1

OR John 18:13-28

Romans 9:6-33

### 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nahum 1:1-8

Psalm 33: (1-12) 13-22

Matthew 27:3-31a OR Mark 15:2-20a OR Luke 23:2-25

OR John 18:29-19:16

Romans 10:1-4, 16-21; 11:2-28 (29-32) 33-36

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### 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nahum 1:9-15 OR Ezekiel 20:32-49

Psalms 31: (105) 6-14 (15-16) 17-24 OR 40: (1-11) 12-17

Luke 23:26-32

Romans 15:1-3, 14-33

### 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nahum 2:1-13 OR Jeremiah 42:1-7; 43:1-7

Psalms 71:15-24

Matthew 27:31b-56 OR Mark 15:20b-41 OR Luke 23:33-49

OR John 19:17-30

Romans 14:13-23

### 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nahum 3:1-19 OR Zechariah 12:1-13:1

Psalms 77: (1-2) 3-10 (11-20)

Matthew 27:57-66 OR Mark 15:42-47 OR Luke 23:50-56

OR John 19:31-42

Romans 16:1-25 (26-27)

### Christ the King Sunday (34th in Ordinary Time)

Obadiah 1-21

Psalms 87 AND 117

John 12:17-19, 37-50

1Corinthians 15:27-50 (51-57)

### All Saints' Day

Haggai 1:1-14 (15) OR 2Chronicles 19:4-20:30

Psalms 107: (1-3) 10-16, 23-32 (33-37) 38-42 (43)

Matthew 27: (45-49) 50-56

3John

## TREASURER'S REPORT

### Loan Delinquencies None

PILP Korean Presbyterian church, Edwards – Current  
PILP Northminster Presbyterian Church, Peoria Current  
Mortgage Cathedral of Praise – Current

### Board of Pensions Dues Delinquencies None.

Note: Delinquencies in excess of 120 days can result in suspension of benefits.

### Total Cash and Investments

12/31/09 \$1,019,179.61; new investment strategy approved.

### Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program (PILP) Certificates

redeemed 5 PILP certificates tallying \$172,300 previously held by Synod of Lincoln Trails. Reinvestment alternatives presented to the Administration Council.

Audits 2009-2011 audits contracted with Eck, Schafer & Punke LLC

### Insurance

Church Mutual distributed materials and conducted a workshop for interested parties at the Presbytery Assembly in November.

### Per Capita 2009

\$322,631.93 or 66% of 2009 per capita received as of August 31, 2009 from 84 churches.  
\$349,038.42 or 72% of 2009 per capita received as of September 30, 2009 from 89 churches.  
\$452464.64 or 93% of 2009 per capita received as of December 31, 2009.

### Per capita 2010

General Assembly	\$6.15
Synod	\$3.60
Presbytery	\$16.25
Total	\$26.00 – same as 2009

### Mission Giving Allocation

General Assembly	42.5%
Synod	15%
Presbytery	42.5%

### Expenses

YTD \$454,282.33; \$70,722.67 less than budgeted.

Approved Budget 2010 =\$495,350; down from \$525,505 for 2009.

Financial reports for the period ending December 31, 2009 are part of the Assembly papers.

**THE SERVICE OF WORSHIP**  
**PRESBYTERY OF GREAT RIVERS**  
**FEBRUARY 23, 2010**

**OPENING WORSHIP**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Leader: In the beginning, when it was very dark God said, "Let there be light"*

**All: "And there was light"**

*(A lighted candle is placed on the worship table.)*

*Leader: Celebrate the life within you, and Christ's presence in our midst.*

**All: Our eyes shall be opened! Today has new meaning and our future is bright with hope.**

*(An open Bible is placed on the worship table.)*

*Leader: God above us, God beside us, God beneath us;*

**All: The beginning, the end, we worship the everlasting One. Let us worship God.**

*(A cross is placed on the worship table.)*

**OPENING HYMN**

Open The Eyes of my Heart *(please sing three times)*

- 1 Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,  
To reach out and touch him and say that we love Him
- 2 Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen,  
Open our eyes Lord, we want to see Jesus.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*Leader: Shining, surprising, grace-full God, you constantly shine a flashlight in our souls, calling us back to your love when we run away:*

**All: Forgive us;**

*For preferring the safe, familiar and certain to the risky, unknown and mysterious:*

**Forgive us;**

*For failing to believe in the vulnerability of power and the power of vulnerability:*

**Forgive us;**

*For taking no delight in variety and insisting on sameness and conformity:*

**Forgive us;**

*For fearing those different from ourselves, and projecting onto them what we cannot accept within our own selves:*

**Forgive us;**

*For assuming we are superior to the rest of creation, for abusing, despoiling and failing to celebrate our relationship with the earth and the web of life:*

**Forgive us;**

*For not noticing your presence in darkness as in light, in body as in spirit, in feeling as in intellect, in pain as in healing, in Good Friday as in Easter Day:*

**Forgive us;**

*Leader: set us free, we pray, to be whole human beings and live our lives graciously and without fear.  
(Bring the prayers of your heart to God in silent prayer)*

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

*Leader: (Pouring the water into the basin the leader says) Hear this good news: God's words are sure. Do not remember the things of old for, behold, I am doing something new. I will make rivers in the desert.*

**People: (dipping hands into the water) The Lord has done great things for us, we are filled with joy.**

*Leader: In Jesus Christ.*

**People: We are forgiven.**

**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

*The Lord be with you*

**And also with you**

*[Gifts of Many Cultures: Worship Resources for the Global Community. Maren C. Tiabassi & Kathy Wonson Eddy. Cleveland, Ohio: United Church Press. 1995]*

**HEARING AND RECEIVING THE WORD**

**SCRIPTURE READING** Isaiah 43:16-21

*Leader: God's Word is a light to our path and a lamp to our feet. As we read from God's Word now please light the candles on your table .*

*Let us pray: God who created light from the darkness we ask you to shine your light of truth and understanding on us as we seek to know your will and see you more clearly. Amen.*

**SERMON**

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Communion will be served at each table simultaneously. Please be sure that there is a Minister of Word and Sacrament at each table and make adjustments as necessary.

*Celebrant: With the darkness of their Lord's death blinding them, two of his disciples could not see him as they walked that Emmaus Road together. They could not hear him as he interpreted the Scriptures. They only knew him when he blessed and broke bread with them. In our own blindness, Christ invites us here to break bread with him. He invites us to open our eyes and see him again.*

*Let us pray: Spirit of God, touch our lives deeply, making us truly yours. Bless these gifts of bread and wine and make sacred this humble feast. O living Christ, bright morning star of this darkened world, come and be our guest. Awaken us, name us, and mark us as your own. Glory be to you! Amen.*

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

*Celebrant: Our Lord, at a meal with his disciples, took bread and, after he gave thanks for it, he broke it and gave it to them saying, "Take eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." As we pass the bread, take a piece and then take a moment to share a time when your eyes were opened to Christ in your midst while you were breaking bread.*

*In the same way, Jesus took the cup, saying: "This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me." As we pass the juice, take a cup and then take a moment to share a way Christ has recently shown his abundance in your ministry or life.*

### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

*Faithful God, we are thankful that you have revealed to us the vision of life in covenant with you and with one another. We are thankful that Christ is present with us in the breaking of the bread. Through your Spirit, strengthen us to be faithful in all we have promised today. Amen.*

### **OFFERING**

As you conclude the sacrament of communion, please pass the offering basket found at your table. The offering will go to the One Great Hour of Sharing special offering. When your offering has been collected, please have one person bring it to the front during the singing of the hymn.

### **HYMN**

Behold the Lamb

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| 1 Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away<br>Slain for us and we remember<br>The promise made that all who come in faith<br>Find forgiveness at the cross<br>So we share in this bread of life<br>And we drink of His sacrifice<br>As a sign of our bonds of peace<br>Around the table of the King    | 3 The blood that cleanses every stain of sin<br>Shed for you drink and remember<br>He drained death's cup that all may enter in<br>To receive the life of God<br>So we share in this bread of life<br>And we drink of His sacrifice<br>As a sign of our bonds of grace<br>Around the table of the King |
| 2 The body of our Savior Jesus Christ<br>Torn for you eat and remember<br>The wounds that heal the death that brings us life<br>Paid the price to make us one<br>So we share in this bread of life<br>And we drink of His sacrifice<br>As a sign of our bonds of love<br>Around the table of the King | 4 And so with thankfulness and faith we rise<br>To respond and to remember<br>Our call to follow in the steps of Christ<br>As His body here on earth<br>As we share in His suffering<br>We proclaim Christ will come again<br>And we'll join in the feast of heaven<br>Around the table of the King    |

## CLOSING WORSHIP

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*[Leader:] As God's people, called to love one another, let us pray for the needs of the church, the whole human family and all the world, saying: **Give us new life.***

*That churches of all traditions may discover their unity in God's something new that is Jesus Christ and exercise their gifts in service to all,*

*We pray to you, O God:*

**Give us new life.**

*[Leader:] That we may lead the way to free the earth from war, famine and disease while also giving voice to the need to provide clean air, soil and water to all, Lord, let us serve, We pray to you, O God:*

**Give us new life.**

*That those who govern and maintain peace in every land may exercise their powers in obedience to your commands while those who oppress become new in your love,*

*We pray to you, O God:*

**Give us new life.**

*[Leader:] That you strengthen this nation to pursue just priorities so that all races and religions may be reconciled; the young, educated; the old, cared for; the hungry, filled; the homeless, housed; the sick, comforted and healed and an equitable health care plan be found for all, Lord, let us serve,*

*We pray to you, O God:*

**Give us new life.**

*That you will bless and protect this nation's troops who are serving around the world as they strive to bring peace to war torn countries or to bring relief to those countries such as Haiti who are suffering from natural disasters,*

*We pray to you, O God:*

**Give us new life.**

*That you will bless and preserve all who live and work in this Presbytery.*

*We pray to you, O God:*

**Give us new life.**

*[Leader:] That you comfort and empower those who face any difficulty or trial such as the people in Haiti, many of who have lost all in the earthquake. Please include the sick, the poor, the oppressed, those who grieve and those in prison, Lord, let us serve,*

*We pray to you, O God:*

**Give us new life.**

*That you accept our thanksgiving for all of your gifts and for all the faithful servants of Christ now at rest, who, with us, await a new heaven and a new earth, your everlasting kingdom,*

*We pray to you, O God:*

**Give us new life.**

*Merciful God,*

*As a potter fashions a vessel from humble clay, you form us into a new creation.*

*Shape us day by day, through the cross of Christ your son, until we pray as continually as we breathe and all our acts are prayer, through Jesus Christ who taught us to pray saying: "Our Father...."*

**FINAL HYMN**

"O God, Beyond All Praising"

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| <p>1 O God beyond all praising,<br/>we worship you today<br/>and sing the love amazing<br/>that songs cannot repay;<br/>for we can only wonder<br/>at every gift you send,<br/>at blessings without number<br/>and mercies without end:<br/>we lift our hearts before you<br/>and wait upon your word,<br/>we honor and adore you,<br/>our great and mighty Lord.</p> | <p>2 Then hear, O gracious Savior,<br/>accept the love we bring,<br/>that we who know your favor<br/>may serve you as our king;<br/>and whether our tomorrows<br/>be filled with good or ill,<br/>we'll triumph through our sorrows<br/>and rise to bless you still:<br/>to marvel at your beauty<br/>and glory in your ways,<br/>and make a joyful duty<br/>our sacrifice of praise.</p> |
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**CHARGE AND BLESSING**

*(Modified from the Book of Common Worship p 107-108)*