PGR Commissioned Pastor Coordinator Report to the Assembly August 26, 2023

The purpose of this report is to give the Assembly a summary of the work I have conducted so far as the Commissioned Pastor Coordinator.

Since our last assembly meeting CRE Diane Ludington was commissioned to a third congregation, First Presbyterian Church, Carthage. It was a meaningful service with a Commission made up of individuals for two presbyteries and two denominations. It was a joy to celebrate this new partnership.

The big project I have been working on since the spring of 2022 is an updated Commissioned Pastor Handbook that combines the work of CPM and COM. The handbook is in draft form, has been approved by CPM, and is currently working through COM. I anticipate being able to present it to the assembly before the end of 2023.

I am not in attendance at this assembly meeting because I have the joy of serving in the Ministry Formation Training in Wabash Valley Presbytery. This is the program our CPM approved for our REs to join if they would like to be trained. I look forward to sharing more about this experience.

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the ministry formation training, please contact me. The Committee on Preparation for Ministry (CPM) has scholarships available.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

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