

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY REPORT



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The Committee on Ministry – (COM) supports National Capital Presbytery’s (NCP) responsibilities for the care, oversight, and accountability for ministers of word and sacrament and certified Christian educators. These include examining, receiving, and dismissing minister members; offering encouragement and support to teaching elders and educators; seeking healthy relationships between pastors and congregations; and helping congregations secure appropriate pastoral leadership and educators in times of transition.

The work is carried out by five teams of elected teaching and ruling elders – Care, Congregational Transitions, Examinations, Ministry Relations, and Specialized – The COM Coordinating Commission provides oversight. COM’s responsibilities derive from the Book of Order, G-3.0306 and G-3.0307. For information on the Committee or to review COM documents including the work of each team, policies and procedures, visit: www.thepresbytery.org – pull down documents tab and then select Committee on Ministry. Always feel free to contact the COM Administrator at: cramm@thepresbytery.org, Direct Line: 240-514-5351.

New Clergy Introductions –

- No Report

Entrance Examination Report –

- No Report

Contracts and Terms of Call Agreements -

- 1) **Church of the Redeemer:** Approved the Temporary Supply Pastor contract between the Rev. Dr. Sterling Morse and the session of the Church of the Redeemer for a period of three months beginning 2 June 2019 through 31 August 2019. [CTC 6/6/19]
- 2) **Manassas:** Affirmed the evote taken on May 29, 2019 approving the Interim Pastor contract between the Rev. Lisa Kenkeremath and the Session of Manassas Presbyterian Church for a period of six months beginning 1 June 2019. [CTC 6/6/19]
- 3) **Rockville:** Granted permission to designate the pastoral nominating committee of Rockville Presbyterian Church as DPNC and authorized relaxing the provisions of items 3-6 of the Outline of Calling a Designated Pastor section of the Session Handbook (page 16). [CTC 6/6/19]

Pastor Nominating Committees -

- 4) **Ashburn:** Affirmed the evote taken on May 29, 2019 granting permission to the congregation of Ashburn Presbyterian Church to call a Congregational meeting for the purpose of electing a Pastor Nominating Committee, in accordance with the [Book of Order](#) and with the policies of National Capital Presbytery. [CTC 6/6/19]
- 5) **Bradley Hills:** Affirmed the evote taken on May 29, 2019 granting permission to the congregation of Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church to call a Congregational meeting for the purpose of electing an Associate Pastor Nominating Committee, in accordance with the [Book of Order](#) and with the policies of National Capital Presbytery. [CTC 6/6/19]
- 6) **Warner Memorial:** Affirmed the evote taken on May 29, 2019 granting permission to the congregation of Warner Memorial Presbyterian Church to call a Congregational meeting for the purpose of electing a Pastor Nominating Committee, in accordance with the [Book of Order](#) and with the policies of National Capital Presbytery. [CTC 6/6/19]

Dissolution/Termination of Pastoral Relationship/Honorably Retired Status –

- 7) **New York Ave:** Concurred in the dissolution of the pastoral relationship between the Rev. Dr. Roger Gench and the congregation of New York Avenue Presbyterian Church effective 2 June 2019 and granted the Rev. Dr. Roger Gench honorably retired status as of 3 June 2019. The congregational meeting was held 26 May 2019. [CTC 6/6/19]
- 8) **Silver Spring:** Concurred in the dissolution of the pastoral relationship between the Rev. Lakesha Bradshaw Easter and the congregation of Silver Spring Presbyterian Church effective 15 May 2019. The congregational meeting was held 12 May 2019. [CTC 6/6/19]

Parish Associate

- No Report

Validated Ministry –

- No Report

Schedule – Upcoming Healthy Boundaries Training

- 9) **Upcoming Healthy Boundaries Dates and Venues:**
 - **June 25, 2019** - Mount Vernon
 - **July 24, 2019** - National
 - **September 19, 2019** - Grace Lanham
 - **October 15, 2019** - Lewinsville
 - **November 6, 2019** – Gaithersburg

To register online, here is the direct link: <https://thepresbytery.org/event-directory/>.