

Pastoral Ministry Team
Presbytery Report
June 27-28, 2014

Our newly formed Pastoral Ministry Team (PMT) is a combination of the former Committee on Ministry (COM) and the Vocations Committee. We have organized our team into three categories: Policy and Procedure, Parishes, and Pastors. It is our goal to work alongside churches, pastors, CRE's, and sessions to provide help and support for our ministry in Jesus Christ.

I have included below the responsibilities of the newly formed Pastoral Ministry Team:

Policies and Procedures: Dave Thompson, Dan Krebill, Debbie Blackburn, and Ron Hanson

Set up meeting locations and times

Take minutes of our PMT meetings

Report our work to the Presbytery through written and verbal reports

Make sure vouchers and reimbursements are completed

Oversee the boundary training and Sexual Misconduct Policy and keep records of attendees

Board of Pensions connection with our Presbytery

Provide oversight of trainings, retreats and special events

Parishes: David Andrew, Gayle Holland, Linda Smith, Neva Rathbun, John Clark, and Kathy Goodrich

Pray for the churches within our Presbytery

Provide oversight for triennial visits to all churches in our Presbytery

Work closely with churches that are in transition

Stay in close contact with churches that are going through the discernment process or other issues of disagreement and difficulty.

Pastors: Jim Tarr, Charlie Mandeville, Susi Ennis, Editha McKay, and George Goodrich

Pray for the TEs, CREs, and REs within our Presbytery

Actively seek and promote pastoral leadership within our Presbytery

Provide oversight and direction to Inquirers, Candidates, Seekers, and Learners

Provide oversight to those in the Commissioned Ruling Elder (CRE) program

Help new pastors to our Presbytery become acclimated

Provide pastoral care to Teaching Elders and Commissioned Ruling Elders as needed

Stay in contact with retired pastors within our Presbytery

Other business pertaining to the work of the PMT:

1. The PMT is currently updating the Commissioned Ruling Elder (CRE) Handbook

2. David Andrew, Jim Tarr, and Dave Thompson recently attended the Board of Pension Western Regional Benefits Consultation Workshop in San Diego. If you have questions about the changes in BOP policies that are coming with the new Healthcare Reform Act, please feel free to talk with David, Jim, or Dave.

3. Current churches in transition within our Presbytery include Terry Community Presbyterian and the Anaconda/Big Hole congregations. Please continue to pray for these churches, their current leadership, and pastoral leadership to come. The church in Roy has also been considering their future ministry possibilities.

4. The PMT will be working to continue to build relationships with churches and pastors in our presbytery with our PMT members and liaisons.