

**Present:** Rev. Jan Chandler, Moderator, Rev. Susan Presley, Elder Tim Beattie, Elder Marian Pierson, Elder Sandi Garber, and Elder Ron Barkby

**Excused:** Rev. Jim Camp, Rev. David Jones

The Rev. Jan Chandler opened the meeting in prayer.

The committee met for our regular meeting on Friday October 6, 2017 at Westminster Presbyterian Church in DeKalb, IL at 10:00 AM.

- We opened our timing catching up and discussing the agenda for today.
- Rev. Susan Presley opened our time with Andy Newgren with prayer. We spent time introducing ourselves to Andy and then Andy caught the committee up on what he has been doing over the past year. Andy has been continuing to work in his position as a faculty librarian at Rockford University and has been furthering his relationships with students, faculty, and administrators. On the church front, Andy is teaching Bible classes in his church and has been challenged in furthering relationships with congregants who are unable or choose not to attend education offerings. He has also been providing pulpit supply in the area and continues to pursue more preaching opportunities. He meets with a small group of folks who are able to give him support and feedback in his different roles in work and in church. He has been certified ready for a call and is seeking ordination. The committee suggested that he begin putting his PIF together and make sure that he puts his name on the pulpit supply list so he can continue to hone his preaching skills. He will also need to write his Statement of Faith. Susan closed the meeting with prayer.
- We were scheduled to meet with Katharine Linn and Frank Shepherd, but they were rescheduled for the November 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. We spent time giving updates about the people for whom we are liaisons. Mary Beth Shapley requested that she be removed from the Candidate List as she will not be seeking ordination. The committee received the request with regret and removed her name from the list.
- We discussed the schedule for November 3, 2017 and will be meeting with Kathy Linn who has completed her psychological examination, will be giving a sermon to the committee, complete the oral examination and handing in her statement of faith as she completes the process toward becoming a CRE. Frank Shepherd will be meeting with the committee for his annual update. He is currently a student at UDTs. Elizabeth Stites will be meeting with the committee on November 14<sup>th</sup> as she is coming in from Texas. After sharing prayer concerns, the meeting was closed with prayer by Rev. Jan Chandler.

The next meeting of CPM is scheduled for Friday November 3, 2017, at Westminster DeKalb, 10:00 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

The Rev. Janet M. Chandler, Moderator CPM Presbytery of Blackhawk

**Action Items for Presbytery:**

- No Action items