

To: The members of the Presbytery of Mackinac

From: Rev. Janice Reed, Chair, Committee on Ministry

The Committee on Ministry continues assist both ministers and congregations in transition. Zoom meetings have been helpful for interviewing candidates and other functions. As we go forward we will need to give consideration for what virtual meetings can and cannot be used for.

As many of our honorably retired ministers have reduced or eliminated their availability for pulpit supply and the moderating of Session and Annual Meetings due to Covid concerns, we have found ourselves stretched thin, especially during this Annual Meeting season.

Following is a summation of activities that the Committee has been involved in over the past few months.

Grace, Sagola – moderated two Session meetings,

Pickford – work continues with their PNC – MIF has been uploaded

Hessel / Rudyard – interviewed Jeri Baker, resolved salary issues, she has been approved to serve as a designated pastor for both congregations

Escanaba - moderated 3 Session meetings and one Congregational Meeting; Jan Reed will serve as liaison. Jan Reed has been approved to serve as moderator through June 30, 2021.

Manistique / Gould City – moderated congregation meetings to dissolve relationship with Rev. Janice Reed; Andrew Plocher has agreed to serve as COM liaison

Conducted a “PNC 101” Zoom meeting for churches in the process of seeking a new pastor

Approved Dawn Robbins, CRE to moderate Grace Presbyterian Church's Annual Meeting.

Approved RE Betty LaPointe to celebrate Communion at the Church of the Redeemer, Manistique

Approved Rev. Lois Aroian to moderate Session Meetings for Boyne City through July, 2021

Approved Rev. Ron Helgerson (UM, retired) to moderate the Annual Congregational meeting in Menominee

Committee of Preparation

We currently have two Inquirers and two Candidates under care.