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Holy Manners*

- Keep God at the center of everything we do
- Ensure that everyone has what they need in order to fully participate
- Speak for ourselves
- Speak for a purpose
- Separate people from problems
- Allow for full and equitable participation
- Listen carefully without interruption
- Welcome the conflict of ideas
- Take a future orientation
- Demonstrate appreciation
- Honour the decisions of the body
- Commit to holding one another to account when we do not keep our holy manners
- Keep the discussion at the table
- Watch our body language
- Check in about good use of time
- Provide a process for allowing the quiet people to speak, with an invitation to speak
- Sincerely say what we really feel

* The phrase “holy manners” comes from Behavioural Covenants in Congregations by Gil Rendle. United Church Moderator Marion Pardy made extensive use of the term during her time as moderator. There are a number of versions of “holy manners”.

Accessibility Statements:

We want to ensure that accessibility needs are met and that everyone can hear, see and communicate effectively. Is there anything we need to know or do so everyone can participate fully? Tell us of any difficulties you may face participating today.

For participants who have difficulty with accessibility concerns as they relate to a conference call, please check with your phone service provider for options which they support.

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Mission Statement

Called to serve all in the name of Jesus Christ, Northern Waters Presbytery in Toronto Conference will work in an inclusive way to build connection and community by encouraging and challenging the congregations and people of our area.

Statement of Commitment

In fulfilling our mission, Northern Waters Presbytery strives at all times to provide its programs and services in a way that respects the dignity and independence of people with disabilities. We are also committed to giving people with disabilities the same opportunity to access our programs and services and allowing them to benefit from the same services, in the same place, and in a similar way as other participants.

Quorum:

Quorum for all the Congregational Life Commission meetings shall be 50% of the voting membership. (160405 (Exec))

10:00 a.m., St. John’s United Church, Alliston

Present: Rev. Bruce Gregersen, Marg Krauter, Carolyn Harding, Thom McDonough,
Rev. Ross Leckie, Rev. Linda Butler, David Forbes, Rev. Fran Ota,
Keith Lockhart, DLM, Rev. Cheryl-Ann Stadelbauer-Sampa, Rev. Felicia Urbanski

Regrets: Ann Harbridge, DLM

Absent: Rev. Norm Munroe,

Staff Support: Rev. John Neff, Conference Program Minister (CPrM)

Welcome & Constituting the Meeting:

Rev. Bruce Gregersen constituted the meeting in the name of Jesus Christ for all business properly brought before it.

Introductions and Check-in

Opening Worship:

Discussion led by Rev. Bruce Gregersen around membership and involvement in more than one religious faith.

Opening Motions:

Corresponding Members:

MOTION by Rev. Fran Ota / Rev. Ross Leckie that
Rev. Cheryl-Ann Stadelbauer-Sampa, Executive Minister of Region 8, be named
as corresponding members of Congregational Life Commission.

MOTION Carried

Approval of Agenda:

MOTION by Thom McDonough / Rev. Linda Butler that the agenda be accepted
as amended.

MOTION Carried

Approval of the [June 26, 2018](#) minutes of the Congregational Life Commission

MOTION by Carolyn Harding / David Forbes that the Congregational Life
Commission of Northern Waters Presbytery approves the minutes of [June 26,
2018](#) as circulated.

MOTION Carried

Correspondence:

None

Business Arising from Previous Minutes:

1. Questions for Rev. Cheryl-Ann Stadelbauer-Sampa
 - a) Is there joint learning around closures, cemeteries?

2. Trillium Pastoral Charge – Adjala property
The Congregational Life Commission asked to have some questions answered before proceeding:

- a) What is the rationale for wanting the conveyance?
- b) What are the terms of the Watson Trust Agreement and how will it be affected by the conveyance?
- c) Does there have to be a transfer of the Watson Trust agreement along with the property?
- d) What are the financial statements of Adjala ministry site of Trillium United Church

MOTION by Rev. Ross Leckie / Rev. Felicia Urbanski that the Congregational Life Commission of Northern Waters Presbytery give approval to the request of Trillium United Church Pastoral Charge, Mono Mills to pursue the incorporation of the Adjala ministry site including the cemetery to be incorporated as not for profit through affiliation with the Ontario Historical Society.

MOTION Carried

MOTION by Thom McDonough / Keith Lockhart, DLM, that the Congregational Life Commission of Northern Waters Presbytery include Adjala United Church in the conveyance cost originally designated to Hockley United Church (to a maximum of \$4,500).

MOTION Carried

Rev. Fran Ota abstained.

3. Pastoral charge supervisors

- a) Kilsyth / Keady-North Derby

MOTION by Marg Krauter / Thom McDonough that the Congregational Life Commission of Northern Waters Presbytery appoint Rev. Ralph Schmidt as pastoral charge supervisor to Kilsyth/Keady-North Derby pastoral charge beginning July 1, 2018.

MOTION Carried

- b) Annesley UC, Markdale

MOTION by Rev. Linda Butler / Carolyn Harding that the Congregational Life Commission of Northern Waters Presbytery appoint Rev. Maj. Neil Parker as pastoral charge supervisor to Annesley United Church, Markdale beginning July 1, 2018.

MOTION Carried

- c) Trinity UC, Acton

Possibilities: Willie Von Arragon, Rev. Jeff Davison,

- d) Nottawa-Rob Roy

- e) Countryside – Possibly Rev. Richard Moffat

When supervisors are found the Chair has been empowered to appoint and names will be brought back to the Congregational Life Commission for approval.

Rev. Cheryl-Ann Stadelbauer-Sampa will bring questions regarding pastoral charge supervisors to the Office of Vocation.

4. Inglewood Review – sub-Executive decisions
The Congregational Life Commission receives the Toronto Conference sub-Executive decisions regarding the review of Inglewood. The Congregational Life Commission is prepared to set aside the necessary funds and asks the sub-Executive for a timeline for the decision from Inglewood to fulfil the obligations of the Review.
5. 2017 and 2018 assessments – not received
 - 2017 not received - Christian Island;
 - 2018 nothing received to date: Christian Island United Church, Countryside United Church, Thornton, Grenfel United Church
 - We need to find a different language for expectation of assessments from Christian Island.
 - Rev. John Neff will contact the pastoral charges mentioned.
6. Branding/ Communication Workshops
Follow-up event on November 17, 2018 at Caledon East United Church between St. James Anglican and Caledon East United Church.
7. HUB – Midland
 - Installation of equipment is in progress.
 - Future discussion needs to take place at the Congregational Life Commission regarding learnings from this project.

Reports:

1. Update from TC Settlement and Pastoral Relations Representative
August
 - ... Centennial United Church (Stayner), call Rev. Jennifer Ann Irving, ordained minister, Sept 1/18 part time 30 hours per week
 - ... Wyevale United Church (Tiny), appoints Rev. Hoon Kim, retired supply Oct 1,18 to June 30,/19, part-time 10 hours per week
 - ... concurs with the request of Countryside United Church (Thornton), appoints Lisa Naumann, student supply minister, beginning July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019, full time
 - ... Rev. Joan Silcox-Smith, ordained minister to be Retained on the Roll of Toronto Conference and Northern Waters Presbytery July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019 for the reason of being in other employment.
 - ... transfer Rev. Judith Oliver, retired ordained minister, from Northern Waters Presbytery to Living Waters Presbytery, September 1, 2018
 - ...transfer Rev. Hoon Kim, retired ordained minister, from Toronto Southeast Presbytery to Northern Waters Presbytery, effective October 1, 2018.
- Liaisons ...
- Rev. John Neff appointed to Nottawa-Rob Roy to work with the church to fill their vacancy.
 - Rev. Kathy Underwood appointed to Annesley United Church (Markdale) to work with the church to fill their vacancy.

New Business:

1. Declaration of Vacancy
 - a) Annesley UC, Markdale

MOTION by Rev. Ross Leckie / Rev. Felicia Urbanski that the Congregational Life Commission of Northern Waters Presbytery receive for information the Demographic, Financial and Community profile (TC 425 DFC) and the Ministry Articulation Profile (TC 425 MAP); approve the Ministry Position Description (TC 425 PD) and the Request to Declare a Vacancy form (TC 425 V) from Annesley United Church; declare Annesley United Church vacant and request Settlement and Pastoral Relations to appoint a liaison.

MOTION

Carried

The CLC asks the Liaison to inform the Interview Team to be clear about the potential of shared ministry with another United Church.

- b) Trinity UC, Acton

MOTION by Thom McDonough / Rev. Linda Butler that the Congregational Life Commission of Northern Waters Presbytery

- receive for information the Demographic, Financial and Community profile (TC 425 DFC) and the Ministry Articulation Profile (TC 425 MAP); approve the Ministry Position Description (TC 425 PD) and the Request to Declare a Vacancy form (TC 425 V) from Trinity United Church, Acton; declare Trinity United Church vacant and request Settlement and Pastoral Relations to appoint a liaison;
- approve the Request for a Short Term Appointment (TC 410 ST) by Trinity United Church, Acton allowing for an appointment while they search for a call.

MOTION

Carried

2. Wyevale-Waverley Pastoral Charge – Name Change
Waverley United Church has disbanded as of June 30, 2018. We have received a request for a name change of Wyevale-Waverley Pastoral Charge to change its name to Wyevale United Church Pastoral Charge.

MOTION by Carolyn Harding / David Forbes that the Congregational Life Commission of Northern Waters Presbytery approve the name change of the Wyevale-Waverley Pastoral Charge to Wyevale United Church Pastoral Charge effective January 1, 2019.

MOTION

Carried

3. Disbandment of Chatsworth – June 30, 2019
The following motion was passed by Chatsworth: “The Congregation of Chatsworth United Church will disband effective June 30, 2019.”
They have been asked to provide a proposal regarding the disbandment.

This could be recommended to the Region. Presbytery cannot make a decision for a timeline that goes past December 31, 2018.

4. Disbandment of Salem United Church

There is a Celebration of ministry service scheduled for October 14, 2018. A disbandment date of December 31, 2018 is requested.

MOTION by Rev. Ross Leckie / David Forbes that the Congregational Life Commission of Northern Waters Presbytery approve the disbandment of Salem United Church as of December 31, 2018; accept the disbandment proposal; and inform Toronto Conference property coordinator.

MOTION

Carried

5. Motion Tracking Document / Current Status of CoFs

If anyone updates the documents please use the one divided by regions so we only have to keep one up to date. At the end of 2018 it will be sent to the Executive Ministers of the respective Regions.

6. Flesherton-Eugenia: Presbytery Representation to meetings on September 23 and October 14.

Representative for September 23, Judy Bowman. This is an information meeting about the proposal to amalgamate based on their work with TUCC consultant, Janet Marshall. Representative for October 14, Rev. John Neff. This is a meeting to vote on the recommended amalgamation proposal.

7. Angus UC – TC425 MAP

MOTION by Keith Lockhart, DLM / Thom McDonough that the Congregational Life Commission of Northern Waters Presbytery receive for information the Ministry Articulation Profile (TC425MAP) from Angus United Church.

MOTION

Carried

8. Invitation by Settlement and Pastoral Relations

People will attend as they are able.

9. United Fresh Start

a. Training happening Oct 1-4

b. Caledon East – Request for module “Leading Planned Change” *They asked at the end of June and I deferred them to the fall.*

Rev. John Neff will organize with a current facilitator or one of the new ones.

10. Marsville-Mimosa – Approval of TC425PD

MOTION by Carolyn Harding / Rev. Linda Butler that the Congregational Life Commission of Northern Waters Presbytery approve the Position Description (TC 425PD) at 10 hrs for Mimosa United Church (Marsville-Mimosa Pastoral Charge).

MOTION

Carried

11. Westminster UC, Orangeville

MOTION by Keith Lockhart, DLM / Thom McDonough that the Congregational Life Commission of Northern Waters Presbytery approve the Position Description (TC 425PD) for a full time short term appointment (3 months) (TC425PD) and the Request for a Short Term Appointment form(TC410ST) from Westminster United Church, Orangeville and ask Conference Settlement and Pastoral Relations to appoint a liaison.

MOTION

Carried

12. Walters Falls

– An accounting of the finances will be brought to the Congregational Life Commission for review and disbursement. There is a GIC still being looked into.

Closing Prayer and Benediction:

Next meeting:

October 23, 2018 Worship Rev. Ross Leckie Regrets: Rev. Linda Butler, Dave Forbes, Rev. Felicia Urbanski.

November 20, 2018 – Final meeting at Alliston.

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Rev. John Neff, Recording Secretary