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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

**Easter is a celebration of Christ's victory over the grave** or, as the Rev. James Forbes once preached, "Easter is God's class action suit against sin and death." All across Allegheny County and beyond, Christians will raise their voices in singing "Jesus Christ is Risen Today." On Thursday, April 16 at 1:00 PM when we gather at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary for the meeting of Pittsburgh Presbytery, we will have an opportunity to join together in worship to praise God, yet again, for the hope that is ours through the power of Christ's resurrection. I hope you will bring your heart-felt praise!

**Even as we celebrate Christ's ultimate victory over death, we look around us and observe that our world seems to be spinning out of control with it's "death-dealing" ways.** As I write this letter, I learn that three police officers were shot and killed in Pittsburgh. The news tells stories of mass murders, of killings and kidnappings along the Mexico border, of depressed and hopeless teens and adults committing suicide, of youth violence on the rise in Pittsburgh neighborhoods and city shooting statistics notching higher. As people of faith and hope we cannot remain silent or sit idly by. Our mission as believers is to share the Good News of the Gospel in such a way that lives and communities are transformed by the grace and love of Jesus Christ. Theologian Karl Barth, in his *Dogmatic*, writes, "fundamentally we must cease to fear" our enemies of sin and death. We must act like the victory is ours! The pre-presbytery conference hour, sponsored by the Peacemaking Ministry Team, will focus on youth violence. During my Acting Pastor to the Presbytery report we will hear of the Shalom Project implemented by the Bidwell Presbyterian church to deal with the rising violence in the Manchester neighborhood (i.e. near the Presbytery offices) and how your church might participate. Let us keep the victims of violence in our prayers.

**Helping churches to think "missionally" is a goal of Pittsburgh Presbytery.** During the presbytery meeting you will hear of two opportunities that can help your church discover God's agenda in your ministry. The Rev. Judi Slater will share about the "Unbinding the Gospel" project and I will outline the Partnership for Missional Church, both of which can help a church to prayerfully, faithfully and strategically engage in renewing vital ministries for Christ. We hope that two clusters of between 8-10 churches can be formed. Both opportunities involve intentional "coaching" of the church leadership over a period of time. Please look for the informational flier at the presbytery meeting. (Note: As you are aware, these are economically challenging times for churches and for the presbytery. This is a concern of many. Even as I work with the Finance Committee of Council to seek ways of doing ministry in a more cost-effective way, I want you to know that it is our mission as a presbytery that will drive budget decisions. As an example, the Administrative Commission on Transformation (ACT), continuing its "missional" focus, is willing to partner in the cost of the above opportunities with churches desiring to participate.)

**Lastly, I was at a meeting of Executive Presbyters from the Synod of the Trinity and heard of how one presbytery is intentionally using trained "coaches" (i.e. skilled pastors or elders in area churches) to "coach" other pastors and sessions.** I would like to hear from you if such a ministry would be helpful in our presbytery. Please email me at [dportz@pghpresbytery.org](mailto:dportz@pghpresbytery.org) with your thoughts.

In Christ,

Rev. Dr. Douglas E. Portz, Acting Pastor to the Presbytery

Seeking to be Faithful Together  
Guidelines for Presbyterians During Times of Disagreement

*In a spirit of trust and love, we promise we will . . .*

<p><i>Give them a hearing ... listen before we answer .</i> <b>John 7:51 and Proverbs 18:13</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Treat each other respectfully so as to build trust, believing that we all desire to be faithful to Jesus the Christ: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• we will keep our conversations and communications open for candid and forthright exchange,</li> <li>• we will not ask questions or make statements in a way which will intimidate or judge others.</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Learn about various positions on a topic of disagreement.</li> <li>3. State what we think we heard and ask for clarification before responding, in an effort to be sure we understand each other.</li> </ol>
<p><i>Speak the truth in love.</i> <b>Ephesians 4:15</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Study the Bible together to better understand what God's Word says to us in our disagreement.</li> <li>5. Share our concerns directly with individuals or groups with whom we have disagreements in a spirit of love and respect in keeping with Jesus' teaching.</li> <li>6. Focus on ideas and suggestions instead of questioning people's motives, intelligence or integrity; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• we will not engage in name-calling or labeling of others prior to, during, or following the discussion.</li> </ul> </li> <li>7. Share our personal experiences about the subject of disagreement so that others may fully understand our concerns.</li> </ol>
<p><i>Maintain the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace.</i> <b>Ephesians 4:3</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8. Indicate where we agree with those of other viewpoints as well as where we disagree.</li> <li>9. Seek to stay in community with each other though the discussion may be vigorous and full of tension; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• we will be ready to forgive and be forgiven.</li> </ul> </li> <li>10. Follow these additional Guidelines when we meet in decision-making bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• urge persons of various points to speak and promise to listen to these positions seriously;</li> <li>• seek conclusions informed by our points of agreements;</li> <li>• be sensitive to the feelings and concerns of those who do not agree with the majority and respect their rights of conscience;</li> <li>• abide by the decision of the majority, and if we disagree with it and wish to change it, work for that change in ways which are consistent with the Guidelines.</li> </ul> </li> <li>11. Include our disagreements in our prayers, not praying for the triumph of our viewpoints, but seeking God's grace to listen attentively, to speak clearly, and to remain open to the vision God holds for us all.</li> </ol>

**DOCKET  
for the  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY**

**April 16, 2009  
Pittsburgh Theological Seminary  
Rev . Dr. Donald Ewing, Moderator , Presiding**

*Presbytery's Mission: To serve the congregations so they are healthy and vital as evidenced by: † success in  
bringing others to Christ † vibrant worship † active participation in the mission of Christ's church*

**A...THE CONVENING OF PRESBYTERY**

1. Presbytery Constituted with Prayer Order of the Day 1 p.m.
2. Announcement of a Quorum and Completion of the Roll

**B...OUR GATHERING IN WORSHIP**

The Rev . Dr. Douglas E. Portz, Preaching  
*Easter Faith and Ordained Officers*

**C...MATTERS FROM THE MODERATOR**

1. Moderator Opening Comments
2. Introduction of Visitors and Seating of Corresponding Members
3. Greetings from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

**D...ORGANIZATION OF THE MEETING**

1. Adoption of the Docket
2. Adoption of the Consent Agenda
3. Announcement of Intention to introduce new business Order of the Day 2:10 p.m.

**E... MATTERS FROM THE COUNCIL**

Report of the Chair

**F...MATTERS FROM THE STATED CLERK**

Stated Clerk's Report

**G...MATTERS FROM THE BODY**

1. Report of the Search Committee for a Permanent Pastor to Presbytery
2. Report of the Acting Pastor to the Presbytery
3. Nominations Committee Report
4. Report of the Committee on Preparation
5. Report of the Committee on Ministry

**H...NEW BUSINESS**

T aking up of New Business Order of the Day 5 p.m.

**I...THE DISPERSING OF PRESBYTERY**

1. Committee on Leave of Absence and Report of the Enrollment Clerk
2. Resolution of Thanks
3. Ending with Prayer

## CONSENT AGENDA

April 16, 2009

Council and all Committees and Ministry Teams of Presbytery are listed below in the order in which their reports appear on the Docket of Presbytery. All consent items listed for each group are the same as the Consent Motion items which appear in their reports and which are indicated by an asterisk. The word "None" listed after a particular group on this Consent Agenda does not mean that they do not have Items For Action in their reports, but only that they have no Consent Motion items. At the time the motion to approve the Consent Agenda is made any Commissioner may request the removal of any Item from the Consent Agenda for debate by the Body. If an item is removed from the Consent Agenda, it will be considered at the regularly docketed time for the report of the group to which it belongs.

### Items For Consent Action

#### Organization of the Meeting

Item 2...Report of the Minute Reading Committee

#### Matters from the Council

Special Meeting...Receipt/Acceptance of Resignation

Regular Meeting...

Item 2...Financial Statements

Item 3...Request for Waiver - Grandview United Presbyterian Church

#### Matters from the Stated Clerk

Item 2... Dismissal of Administrative Commission - 1<sup>st</sup> UP Leetsdale

Item 3...Addition to the Calvert Memorial Administrative Commission

Item 4... Addition to the Administrative Commission for Transformation

Item 5...Ecclesiastical Administrative Commissions to Ordain, Install or Receive

#### Matters from the Body

Nominations Committee

None

Committee on Preparation for Ministry

Item 2...Enrollment of Inquirers

Item 4...Appointment of Commissions for Reception to Candidacy

#### Committee on Ministry

Item 2...Administrative Commission to install

Item 3...Letters of Reception

Item 4...Letters of Dismissal

Item 5...Temporary Supply

Item 6...Moderators

Item 7...Members at Large

Item 8...Pastor Emeritus

Item 9...Request to Close Position

Item 10...Validated Ministry

Item 11...Honorable Retirement

Item 12...Commissioned Lay Pastors

Item 13...Change in Terms

Item 14...Relief of Conscience

**REPORT OF THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTE READING COMMITTEE  
(Included/approved, in the Consent Agenda)**

The regular meeting Minute Reading Committee met on Thursday, February 5, 2009 at Pleasant Hills Community Presbyterian Church immediately following the regularly stated Presbytery meeting, and read the minutes of said meeting. A quorum was present. .

	P	A	E		P	A	E
Elder Kears Pollock	√			Rev. Douglas Portz	√		
				Rev. Jay W. Lewis	√		
				Rev. Eric Ewing Dennis	√		
				Rev. Don Ewing	√		
				Rev. Robert C. Anderson	√		
				Rev. Karl McDonald			
Also present: -- Elder David Lavender							

The Committee also subsequently reviewed the minutes of such meeting as they were substantially completed. The Committee recommends approval of the Minutes of the regularly stated Presbytery Meeting of Thursday, February 5, 2009 at Pleasant Hills Community Presbyterian Church. **For the Committee:** *The Rev. Eric Ewing Dennis, Chair.*

*... and ...*

**REPORT OF THE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTE READING COMMITTEE  
(Included/approved, in the Consent Agenda)**

The special meeting Minute Reading Committee met on Saturday, March 14, 2009 at Northmont United Presbyterian Church immediately following the special Presbytery meeting, and read the minutes of said meeting. A quorum was present. .

	P	A	E		P	A	E
Elder Kears Pollock	√			Rev. Douglas Portz	√		
				Rev. Jay W. Lewis	√		
				Rev. Eric Ewing Dennis	√		
				Rev. Don Ewing	√		
				Rev. Karl McDonald			
Also present: -- Elder David Lavender; Elder David Green							

The Committee also subsequently reviewed the minutes of such special meeting as they were substantially completed. The Committee recommends approval of the Minutes of the special Presbytery Meeting of Saturday, March 14, 2009 at Northmont United Presbyterian Church. **For the Committee:** *The Rev. Eric Ewing Dennis, Chair.*

The next meeting of the Minute Reading Committee will be held Thursday, April 16, 2009 at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary immediately following the Regular meeting of Presbytery. Any commissioner present at that Meeting is invited to attend.

**REPORT OF COUNCIL  
To the Meeting of Presbytery April 16, 2009**

**\*Special Meeting of Council...Item for Action...Consent Motion**

Pittsburgh Presbytery Council met in a special meeting on Thursday, February 26, 2009 at the Presbytery Center. The meeting was opened with prayer and devotions led by the Vice Chair, the Rev. Dr. Jack Lolla. A quorum was present. The purpose of the special meeting was to receive and accept the resignation for personal and professional reasons of the Rev. Dr. Robert C. Anderson from the position of Interim Pastor to the Presbytery. Council moves Presbytery ratify Council's receipt and acceptance of same.

**Regular Meeting of Council**

Pittsburgh Presbytery Council also met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, March 31, 2009 at the Presbytery Center. The meeting was opened with prayer and devotions by the Chair, the Rev. Dr. Henk Bossers. A quorum was present.

**Items for Information**

**1. Good Things within the Presbytery**

Council confirmed and gave thanks for a number of successful and collegial events within the Presbytery over the past few months, including but not limited to the Free at Last? Presbytery night at the Heinz History Center; the heartfelt attitudes at the March 14, 2009 Special Meeting of the Presbytery on the pending amendments to the Book of Order and Ecumenical Statements; and the February 19, 2009 Convocation on *Our Freedom of Religion at Risk*.

**2. Addition to the Personnel Committee**

Elder Chris Martin, a member of Council, was added as a member to the Personnel Committee.

**3. Reports on Matters in Transition**

Council heard detailed reports from the Permanent Pastor to the Presbytery Search Committee and the Transition Task Force.

**4. Presbytery 2009 Budget**

Council directed that the Presbytery's 2009 budget be reviewed and revisited in light of continuing deteriorating national fiscal and economic circumstances.

## Items for Action

### **1. Consent Motions**

Council recommends that the following items #'s 2 and 3 be approved by Consent.

### **\*2. Financial Statements...December 31, 2008 and January , 2009**

Council recommends Presbytery receive and file for audit the Presbytery financial statements for December 31, 2008 and January , 2009.

### **\*3. Waiver Request... Grandview United Rotation of Office(s)**

Council approved and recommends Presbytery approve a waiver of the provisions of rotation of office for one deacon and one elder in the respective classes of 2011 for Grandview United Presbyterian Church.

### **4. Real Estate Exchange... Elfinwild Presbyterian Church**

Council approved and recommends Presbytery approve an Elfinwild Presbyterian Church exchange of real estate in general terms as provided to the Presbytery .

### **5. Nominations to Committee on Representation**

Council nominates to Presbytery the following two (2) candidates to become members of the Committee on Representation, to wit:

The Rev. Stephens Lytch, Member at Large (A 2011)

Elder David Perkins (Community House) (A 2011)

### **6. Nomination to the Nominations Committee**

Council nominates to Presbytery the following candidate to become a member of the standing Nominations Committee, to wit:

The Rev. Susan Shira Nilsen, HR (A 2011)

**Pittsburgh Presbytery  
Revenue & Expense Report  
As of December 31, 2008**

**Prior Year Comparison**

	<b>Annual Budget 2008</b>	<b>Revenue/ Expense To Date</b>	<b>Annual Budget Remaining</b>	<b>% of Budget Used</b>	<b>Previous Year to Date</b>	<b>Variance Favorable (Un favorable)</b>	
<b>Revenues</b>							
Benevolence Giving-Presby	558,250.00	435,331.86	(122,918.14)	77.98%	495,384.84	(60,052.98)	<b>Note 2</b>
Benevolence Giving-GA & Syno	166,750.00	135,874.77	(30,875.23)	81.48%	143,191.23	(7,316.46)	
PresbyterianWomer	25,000.00	11,667.50	(13,332.50)	46.67%	18,652.50	(6,985.00)	
Per Capita Income	850,000.00	782,692.77	(67,307.23)	92.08%	833,078.90	(50,386.13)	<b>Note 3</b>
Trust Income	498,000.00	525,735.23	27,735.23	105.57%	487,485.60	38,249.63	
Short-term Invest. Incom	80,000.00	78,842.21	(1,157.79)	98.55%	78,711.20	131.01	
Other Income	25,000.00	53,643.54	28,643.54	214.57%	64,983.09	(11,339.55)	
Camp Program Incom	466,800.00	415,036.93	(51,763.07)	88.91%	439,338.38	(24,301.45)	<b>Note 4</b>
Directed Pledges from Cong	5,000.00	324,973.24	319,973.24	6499.46%	344,419.38	(19,446.15)	<b>Note 5</b>
Use of Reserve Fund:	270,000.00	206,619.08	(63,380.92)	76.53%	248,384.13	(41,765.05)	<b>Note 6</b>
Pgh. Presbyterian Foundatio	75,000.00	75,000.00	0.00	100.00%	0.00	75,000.00	
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>3,019,800.00</b>	<b>3,045,417.13</b>	<b>25,617.13</b>		<b>3,153,629.26</b>	<b>(108,212.13)</b>	<b>Note 7</b>
<b>Expenses</b>							
<b>Mission to Our Congregation:</b>							
Crestfield Camp & Conf. Cente	532,530.00	545,670.34	(13,140.34)	102.47%	476,894.25	(68,776.09)	<b>Note 8</b>
Disciplemaking/Spirit.Growt	10,000.00	7,872.22	2,127.78	78.72%	7,435.50	(436.72)	
Enhancement Grant:	125,000.00	150,119.01	(25,119.01)	120.10%	190,907.63	40,788.62	<b>Note 9</b>
Pastor Ministry Accounts	16,500.00	11,601.97	4,898.03	70.31%	11,080.17	(521.80)	
Personne	478,430.00	435,737.28	42,692.72	91.08%	399,674.45	(36,062.83)	
Resourcenter Expens	19,000.00	18,696.37	303.63	98.40%	17,547.74	(1,148.63)	
Stewardship/Mission Interp	5,500.00	2,016.92	3,483.08	36.67%	1,475.83	(541.09)	
Surfing the Edge	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	10,480.89	10,480.89	
Transformation Commissio	85,000.00	52,009.08	32,990.92	61.19%	103,075.13	51,066.05	
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>1,271,960.00</b>	<b>1,223,723.19</b>	<b>48,236.81</b>		<b>1,218,571.58</b>	<b>(5,151.60)</b>	
<b>Mission Beyond Our Congregation:</b>							
Ecumenical Partnership:	34,000.00	30,500.00	3,500.00	89.71%	40,000.00	9,500.00	
GA & Synod Benevolenc	166,750.00	135,874.77	30,875.23	81.48%	143,191.23	(7,316.46)	
Malawi Partnershj	8,000.00	6,895.59	1,104.41	86.19%	4,745.07	(2,150.52)	
Mission Agencies	200,000.00	460,089.71	(260,089.71)	230.04%	486,895.12	26,805.41	<b>Note 10</b>
New Church Developmer	80,000.00	106,580.30	(26,580.30)	133.23%	100,967.28	(5,613.02)	
Personne	137,730.00	125,439.52	12,290.48	91.08%	139,421.32	13,981.80	
Racial & Social Justice Issue	21,650.00	19,208.41	2,441.59	88.72%	18,817.44	(390.97)	
Urban Interns	35,000.00	17,400.00	17,600.00	49.71%	32,341.72	14,941.72	
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>683,130.00</b>	<b>901,988.30</b>	<b>(218,858.30)</b>		<b>966,379.18</b>	<b>64,390.88</b>	
<b>Being the Presbytery</b>							
Non-Ecclesiastical Cost:	86,400.00	66,127.91	20,272.09	76.54%	85,840.56	19,712.65	
Administrative/Office Expens	71,600.00	65,008.31	6,591.69	90.79%	75,544.95	10,536.64	
Council Expense	75,280.00	66,749.14	8,530.86	88.67%	50,030.13	(16,719.01)	<b>Note 11</b>
Ministry	24,790.00	22,377.92	2,412.08	90.27%	23,368.47	990.55	
GA & Synod Per Capit:	328,302.00	324,866.37	3,435.63	98.95%	341,630.45	16,764.08	
Personne	419,403.00	381,977.48	37,425.52	91.08%	390,379.68	8,402.21	
Property Expens	51,100.00	46,487.46	4,612.54	90.97%	39,810.41	(6,677.05)	
Stated Clerk Expense	7,835.00	6,593.59	1,241.41	84.16%	3,526.02	(3,067.57)	
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>1,064,710.00</b>	<b>980,188.18</b>	<b>84,521.82</b>		<b>1,010,130.68</b>	<b>29,942.50</b>	
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>3,019,800.00</b>	<b>3,105,899.67</b>	<b>(86,099.67)</b>		<b>3,195,081.48</b>	<b>89,181.78</b>	
<b>Net Total:</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>(60,482.54)</b>	<b>111,716.80</b>		<b>(41,452.19)</b>	<b>(19,030.35)</b>	<b>Note 12</b>

**December 2008 Summary Financial Statement  
Treasurer Notes and Comments on Variances**

**General Notes**

Note 1. This statement is a summary of only the operating budget funds of Pittsburgh Presbytery . It does not include any proceeds from the settlements with Beverly Heights U. P . Church, Memorial Park Presbyterian Church or Fourth Presbyterian Church or the sale of First U. P ., Leetsdale's building.

**Revenue Notes**

Note 2. Mission giving to support the Benevolence budget is down \$60,053 and designated giving to Mission Agencies and Congregational Support is down \$16,446 as compared to last year . Therefore, total mission support for 2008 is down \$76,499.

Note 3. The Per Capita Income budget for 2008 is \$60,000 less than last year, and both membership and the per capita rate have decreased; so a drop in income is to be expected.

Note 4. Crestfield received a \$45,000 Foundation grant in 2007 but none in 2008. Therefore, income from all other sources is actually up \$20,699 as compared to last year .

Note 5. Directed Pledges from Congregations consists of \$260,090 passed directly to Mission Agencies, \$59,933 passed directly to congregations and \$4,950 remaining to fund the budget. (See notes 8 & 9)

Note 6. The budget for Use of Reserve Funds is down \$102,000 as compared to last year .

Note 7. Removing Directed Pledges from Congregations and use of Reserve Funds, actual income for 2008 is \$2,518,775 and \$2,576,941 for 2007. Therefore income is actually down \$58,166 compared to last year .

**Expense Notes**

Note 8. Crestfield personnel costs are up \$29,850 compared to 2007. However, the Program and Maintenance Director positions were not fully staffed until August of 2007. Other notable areas of increase are in Food (\$10,614), Daycamp (\$6,223), Utilities (\$5,806), Camp Store (\$4,552) and Insurance (\$4,320).

Note 9. The 2008 Enhancement Grant expenses of \$150,119 consist of \$90,186 budgeted support and \$59,933 in designated giving from congregations.

Note 10. The 2008 Mission Agencies expenses of \$460,090 consist of \$200,000 in budgeted support of validated mission agencies and \$260,090 in support of validated mission agencies directly from congregations.

Note 11. 2008 Council expense includes \$61,945 for Denominational Property and Transition costs but only \$44,667 in 2007.

Note 12. Removing Directed Giving from Congregations and use of Reserve Funds, actual expenses for 2008 are \$2,579,258 and \$2,618,394 for 2007. Therefore expenses are actually down \$39,136 compared to last year .

Dorothy Winter  
Financial Secretary

**Pittsburgh Presbytery  
Revenue & Expense Report  
As of January 31, 2009**

	Annual Budget 2009	Revenue/ Expense To Date	Annual Budget Remaining	% of Budget Used	Prior Year Comparison	
					Previous Year to Date	Variance Favorable (Un favorable)
<b>Revenues</b>						
Benevolence Giving-Presby .	519,750.00	48,279.93	471,470.07	9.29%	32,306.26	15,973.67
Benevolence Giving-GA & Synod	155,250.00	8,893.64	146,356.36	5.73%	24,380.28	(15,486.64)
Presbyterian Women	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00
Per Capita Income	810,000.00	96,802.97	713,197.03	11.95%	114,859.56	(18,056.59)
Trust Income	480,000.00	35,846.51	444,153.49	7.47%	40,762.42	(4,915.91)
Short-term Invest. Income	80,000.00	6,055.98	73,944.02	7.57%	6,903.45	(847.47)
Other Income	25,000.00	1,476.24	23,523.76	5.90%	1,371.34	104.90
Camp Program Income	506,840.00	23,068.89	483,771.11	4.55%	28,412.63	(5,343.74)
Directed Pledges from Congs.	0.00	8,014.14	(8,014.14)		21,788.00	(13,773.86)
Use of Reserve Funds	147,500.00	15,551.45	131,948.55	10.54%	22,647.52	(7,096.07)
Pgh. Presbyterian Foundation	250,000.00	0.00	250,000.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>2,994,340.00</b>	<b>243,989.75</b>	<b>2,750,350.25</b>		<b>293,431.46</b>	<b>(49,441.71) Note 2</b>
<b>Expenses</b>						
<b>Mission to Our Congregations</b>						
Crestfield Camp & Conf. Center	602,507.00	34,209.31	568,297.69	5.68%	34,009.55	(199.76)
Disciplemaking/Spirit.Growth	10,000.00	1,683.11	8,316.89	16.83%	1,046.46	(636.65)
Enhancement Grants	147,500.00	9,166.59	138,333.41	6.21%	6,925.04	(2,241.55)
Pastor Ministry Accounts	21,690.00	26.29	21,663.71	0.12%	63.48	37.19
Personnel	465,732.00	36,972.82	428,759.18	7.94%	30,802.31	(6,170.51)
Resourcenter Expense	19,000.00	699.61	18,300.39	3.68%	23,320.13	22,620.52
Stewardship/Mission Interp.	6,050.00	(20.00)	6,070.00	-0.33%	500.00	520.00
Transformation Commission	10,000.00	1,100.00	8,900.00	11.00%	2,808.33	1,708.33
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>1,282,479.00</b>	<b>83,837.73</b>	<b>1,198,641.27</b>		<b>99,475.30</b>	<b>15,637.57</b>
<b>Mission Beyond Our Congregations</b>						
Ecumenical Partnerships	33,500.00	3,833.33	29,666.67	11.44%	2,333.34	(1,499.99)
GA & Synod Benevolence	155,250.00	8,893.64	146,356.36	5.73%	24,380.28	15,486.64
Malawi Partnership	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00
Mission Agencies	200,000.00	19,113.82	180,886.18	9.56%	35,121.33	16,007.51 Note 3
New Church Development	122,500.00	13,401.45	109,098.55	10.94%	15,939.19	2,537.74
Personnel	136,056.00	10,801.05	125,254.95	7.94%	8,867.33	(1,933.72)
Racial & Social Justice Issues	20,750.00	500.00	20,250.00	2.41%	0.00	(500.00)
Urban Interns	15,000.00	1,050.00	13,950.00	7.00%	3,900.00	2,850.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>688,056.00</b>	<b>57,593.29</b>	<b>630,462.71</b>		<b>90,541.47</b>	<b>32,948.18</b>
<b>Being the Presbytery</b>						
Non-Ecclesiastical Costs	78,125.00	4,433.64	73,691.36	5.68%	5,474.21	1,040.57
Administrative/Office Expense	68,625.00	4,433.63	64,191.37	6.46%	5,334.27	900.64
Council Expense	30,350.00	(559.35)	30,909.35	-1.84%	2,282.68	2,842.03
Ministry	25,650.00	5,188.11	20,461.89	20.23%	1,325.14	(3,862.97)
GA & Synod Per Capita	322,773.00	0.00	322,773.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00
Personnel	444,800.00	35,311.12	409,488.88	7.94%	27,002.02	(8,309.10)
Property Expense	44,600.00	3,625.20	40,974.80	8.13%	5,183.96	1,558.76
Stated Clerk Expenses	8,882.00	498.50	8,383.50	5.61%	394.58	(103.92)
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>1,023,805.00</b>	<b>52,930.85</b>	<b>970,874.15</b>		<b>46,996.86</b>	<b>(5,933.99)</b>
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>2,994,340.00</b>	<b>194,361.87</b>	<b>2,799,978.13</b>		<b>237,013.63</b>	<b>42,651.76 Note 4</b>
<b>Net Total:</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>49,627.88</b>	<b>(49,627.88)</b>		<b>56,417.83</b>	<b>(6,789.95)</b>

**January 2009 Summary Financial Statement  
Treasurer Notes and Comments on Variances**

**General Notes**

Note 1. This statement is a summary of only the operating budget funds of Pittsburgh Presbytery . It does not include any proceeds from the settlements with Beverly Heights U. P. Church, Memorial Park Presbyterian Church or Fourth Presbyterian Church or the sale of church buildings.

**Revenue Notes**

Note 2. Removing Directed Pledges from Congregations and use of Reserve Funds, actual income for 2009 is \$221,424 and \$248,996 for 2008. Therefore income is actually down \$27,572 as compared to last year .

**Expense Notes**

Note 3. The 2009 Mission Agencies expenses of \$19,114 consist of \$12,100 in budgeted support of validated mission agencies and \$7,014 in support of validated mission agencies directly from congregations.

Note 4. Removing Directed Giving from Congregations and use of Reserve Funds, actual expenses for 2009 are \$171,796 and \$192,578 for 2008. Therefore expenses are actually down \$20,787 as compared to last year .

Dorothy Winter  
Financial Secretary

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**PER CAPITA REPORT**  
 FOR PRESBYTERY , SYNOD AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
 AS OF JANUARY 31, 2009

NO. CHURCH NAME	PER CAPITA DUE	AMT . PAID TO DATE	BALANCE DUE	YEAR DUE	TOTAL OF MULTIPLE YEARS
41 Amity	1,597.35	0.00	1,597.35	2009	
3 Aspinwall	2,986.35	986.35	2,000.00	2009	
6 Bakerstown, First	23,427.80	5,856.95	17,570.85	2009	
7 Baldwin U P	2,615.95	0.00	2,615.95	2009	
119 Beechview U P	1,057.91	764.50	293.41	2007	
	900.48	0.00	900.48	2008	
	856.55	0.00	856.55	2009	2,050.44
120 Bellefield	6,505.15	1,626.29	4,878.86	2009	
8 Bellevue U P	2,361.30	0.00	2,361.30	2009	
10 Ben Avon, The Community	9,607.25	2,401.82	7,205.43	2009	
18 Bethany	19,098.75	0.00	19,098.75	2009	
*** 89 Bethel U P , Monroeville	2,955.14	0.00	2,955.14	2006	
	2,266.95	0.00	2,266.95	2007	
	1,886.72	943.36	943.36	2008	
	2,222.40	0.00	2,222.40	2009	8,387.85
12 Bethel, Bethel Park	9,815.60	2,454.00	7,361.60	2009	
46 Bethesda U P , Elizabeth	2,958.72	739.68	2,219.04	2008	
	3,078.95	0.00	3,078.95	2009	5,297.99
121 Bethesda U P , Pittsburgh	2,465.60	0.00	2,465.60	2008	
	2,847.45	0.00	2,847.45	2009	5,313.05
26 Beulah U P	18,936.70	0.00	18,936.70	2009	
122 Bidwell St. U P	25,574.31	8,286.12	17,288.19	2006 & prior	
	4,577.08	0.00	4,577.08	2007	
	4,352.32	0.00	4,352.32	2008	
	5,648.60	0.00	5,648.60	2009	31,866.19
78 Boston, First	15,198.05	3,205.25	11,992.80	2006 & prior	
	1,057.91	238.40	819.51	2007	
	1,093.44	0.00	1,093.44	2008	
	1,203.80	0.00	1,203.80	2009	15,109.55
94 Bower Hill Community	6,991.30	0.00	6,991.30	2009	
15 Braddock, First U P	509.30	0.00	509.30	2009	
17 Brentwood	6,366.25	0.00	6,366.25	2009	
124 Brighton-McClure	9,680.50	4,179.66	5,500.84	2006 & prior	
	2,051.05	1,081.71	969.34	2007	
	1,822.40	771.84	1,050.56	2008	
	1,666.80	0.00	1,666.80	2009	9,187.54
125 Brookline Blvd. U P	2,291.85	0.00	2,291.85	2009	
19 Buena Vista U	648.20	648.20	0.00	2009	
183 Bull Creek U P	4,630.00	0.00	4,630.00	2009	
50 Calvert Memorial U P	1,758.54	261.00	1,497.54	2006 & prior	
	906.78	0.00	906.78	2007	
	900.48	0.00	900.48	2008	
	879.70	0.00	879.70	2009	4,184.50
20 Carnegie	3,704.00	926.00	2,778.00	2009	
23 Castle Shannon, First	1,852.00	154.33	1,697.67	2009	
79 Central, McKeesport	5,874.56	4,357.68	1,516.88	2008	
	6,343.10	0.00	6,343.10	2009	7,859.98
184 Central, Tarentum	3,473.28	1,451.57	2,021.71	2008	
	3,588.25	0.00	3,588.25	2009	5,609.96
209 Chartiers Valley U P	1,852.00	463.00	1,389.00	2009	
24 Cheswick	3,323.20	0.00	3,323.20	2008	
	3,541.95	0.00	3,541.95	2009	6,865.15
85 Christ Community	1,424.42	959.98	464.44	2006	
	1,666.80	0.00	1,666.80	2009	2,131.24
27 Clairton, First	6,283.37	3,884.70	2,398.67	2006 & prior	
	1,791.97	1,132.69	659.28	2007	
	1,650.88	825.44	825.44	2008	
	1,828.85	0.00	1,828.85	2009	5,712.24
30 Clinton U P	6,346.24	3,493.14	2,853.10	2008	
	6,829.25	0.00	6,829.25	2009	9,682.35
114 Community House	2,199.25	2,199.25	0.00	2009	
126 Comm of Reconcil	486.15	121.54	364.61	2009	
127 Concord	2,384.45	0.00	2,384.45	2009	
33 Coraopolis, The P C	7,139.52	1,784.88	5,354.64	2008	
	7,384.85	0.00	7,384.85	2009	12,739.49

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174	Covenant Community	4,145.28	1,005.27	3,140.01	2007	
		4,116.48	0.00	4,116.48	2008	
		4,444.80	0.00	4,444.80	2009	11,701.29
36	Crafton Hts., First U P	4,213.30	0.00	4,213.30	2009	
35	Crafton U	4,467.95	0.00	4,467.95	2009	
57	Cross Roads, Gibsonia	6,861.20	3,090.00	3,771.20	2004 & prior	
		2,569.65	2,569.65	0.00	2009	3,771.20
90	Cross Roads, Monroeville	10,672.52	9,099.00	1,573.52	2006	
		10,471.15	3,875.62	6,595.53	2007	
		8,820.15	0.00	8,820.15	2009	16,989.20
58	Deer Creek U P	1,350.72	0.00	1,350.72	2008	
		1,435.30	0.00	1,435.30	2009	2,786.02
40	Dormont	4,004.95	0.00	4,004.95	2009	
42	Duquesne, First	2,523.35	0.00	2,523.35	2009	
128	East Liberty	14,630.80	14,630.80	0.00	2009	
25	East Union	8,843.30	2,210.83	6,632.47	2009	
129	Eastminster	4,728.21	3,546.15	1,182.06	2007	
		4,699.45	1,174.86	3,524.59	2009	4,706.65
45	Edgewood, First	4,004.95	0.00	4,004.95	2009	
62	Elfinwild	16,019.80	4,004.95	12,014.85	2009	
47	Elizabeth, First	2,315.00	0.00	2,315.00	2009	
49	Emsworth U P	2,199.25	0.00	2,199.25	2009	
171	Forest Avenue U P	2,315.00	0.00	2,315.00	2009	
31	Forest Grove Community	902.85	0.00	902.85	2009	
53	Forest Hills	5,093.00	0.00	5,093.00	2009	
54	Fox Chapel	36,414.95	0.00	36,414.95	2009	
134	Friendship Comm	1,643.65	1,643.65	0.00	2009	
59	Gibsonia, First	14,036.24	5,027.50	9,008.74	2006 & prior	
		2,677.16	0.00	2,677.16	2007	
		2,658.56	0.00	2,658.56	2008	
		2,870.60	0.00	2,870.60	2009	17,215.06
76	Gladden U P	2,315.00	0.00	2,315.00	2009	
63	Glenshaw	10,417.50	2,604.38	7,813.12	2009	
64	Glenshaw V alley	2,778.00	0.00	2,778.00	2009	
135	Grace Memorial	7,353.92	0.00	7,353.92	2008	
		6,829.25	0.00	6,829.25	2009	14,183.17
151	Grand View U P	2,260.98	1,200.00	1,060.98	2006 & prior	
		1,165.86	600.00	565.86	2007	
		1,243.52	700.00	543.52	2008	
		1,319.55	100.00	1,219.55	2009	3,389.91
****	136 Greenfield	1,275.60	0.00	1,275.60	2006	
		1,122.68	0.00	1,122.68	2007	
		1,114.88	0.00	1,114.88	2008	
		1,273.25	0.00	1,273.25	2009	4,786.41
137	Hamilton	9,144.25	2,286.06	6,858.19	2009	
60	Hampton U P	16,968.95	1,414.08	15,554.87	2009	
38	Hawthorne Avenue	1,018.60	0.00	1,018.60	2009	
138	Hazelwood	2,245.36	0.00	2,245.36	2007	
		2,229.76	0.00	2,229.76	2008	
		2,407.60	0.00	2,407.60	2009	6,882.72
70	Hebron, Clinton	2,310.13	1,732.59	577.54	2007	
		2,358.40	1,179.20	1,179.20	2008	
		2,639.10	0.00	2,639.10	2009	4,395.84
**	107 Hebron, Penn Hills	132,891.65	96,949.98	35,941.67	2006 & prior	
		17,034.51	12,308.20	4,726.31	2007	
		16,701.76	0.00	16,701.76	2008	
		17,709.75	0.00	17,709.75	2009	75,079.49
	56 Heritage U P	4,074.40	0.00	4,074.40	2009	
109	Hiland	8,935.90	2,233.98	6,701.92	2009	
91	Hillcrest U P	4,954.10	0.00	4,954.10	2009	
14	Hoboken	2,336.96	1,752.72	584.24	2008	
		1,643.65	0.00	1,643.65	2009	2,227.89
69	Homestead	5,787.50	0.00	5,787.50	2009	
***	80 Immanuel U P	8,547.71	5,257.55	3,290.16	2006 & prior	
		3,001.01	100.00	2,901.01	2007	
		2,830.08	609.34	2,220.74	2008	
		3,078.95	396.25	2,682.70	2009	11,094.61
72	Indianola U P	388.62	0.00	388.62	2007	
		416.70	0.00	416.70	2009	805.32

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74	U P Church of Ingram	40,517.93	19,264.99	21,252.94	2006 & prior	
		3,562.35	1,327.06	2,235.29	2007	
		3,408.96	1,147.72	2,261.24	2008	
		3,680.85	0.00	3,680.85	2009	29,430.32
28	Jefferson U P	3,264.15	0.00	3,264.15	2009	
13	John McMillan	10,857.35	0.00	10,857.35	2009	
86	Ken Mawr U P	12,107.45	0.00	12,107.45	2009	
192	Kerr	833.40	0.00	833.40	2009	
140	Knoxville United	16,781.13	8,229.39	8,551.74	2004 & prior	
		2,374.90	0.00	2,374.90	2007	
		2,453.90	0.00	2,453.90	2009	13,380.54
141	Korean U P	3,125.25	0.00	3,125.25	2009	
197	Lebanon	8,797.00	0.00	8,797.00	2009	
84	Liberty	4,028.10	0.00	4,028.10	2009	
143	Lincoln Place	1,250.10	0.00	1,250.10	2009	
44	Linway	5,617.28	5,262.58	354.70	2008	
		6,042.15	0.00	6,042.15	2009	6,396.85
100	Logans Ferry U P	16,927.32	2,111.97	14,815.35	2006 & prior	
		2,504.44	0.00	2,504.44	2007	
		2,487.04	0.00	2,487.04	2008	
		2,615.95	0.00	2,615.95	2009	22,422.78
103	Montours	17,948.28	6,644.65	11,303.63	2006 & prior	
		2,137.41	1,088.55	1,048.86	2007	
		2,754.85	0.00	2,754.85	2009	15,107.34
92	Moon Run U P	1,620.50	405.13	1,215.37	2009	
116	Mosaic Community	1,088.05	0.00	1,088.05	2009	
108	Mt. Hope U P	12,910.72	0.00	12,910.72	2006 & prior	
		6,045.20	0.00	6,045.20	2007	
		5,424.32	2,069.67	3,354.65	2008	
		5,370.80	0.00	5,370.80	2009	27,681.37
95	Mt. Lebanon U P	18,357.95	0.00	18,357.95	2009	
178	Mt. Nebo U P	3,670.30	0.00	3,670.30	2007	
		3,194.56	0.00	3,194.56	2008	
		3,403.05	0.00	3,403.05	2009	10,267.91
67	Mt. Pisgah	3,935.50	0.00	3,935.50	2009	
200	Mt. Pleasant U P	3,634.55	908.64	2,725.91	2009	
82	Mt. Vernon Community	8,525.26	5,934.35	2,590.91	2006	
		8,554.56	1,096.37	7,458.19	2008	
		8,287.70	0.00	8,287.70	2009	18,336.80
150	Mt. Washington, The PC	1,865.28	502.00	1,363.28	2008	
		1,828.85	0.00	1,828.85	2009	3,192.13
205	Mulberry U P	1,527.90	0.00	1,527.90	2009	
98	Natrona Hts.	7,675.52	0.00	7,675.52	2008	
		9,028.50	0.00	9,028.50	2009	16,704.02
99	Neville Island	2,344.72	0.00	2,344.72	2006 & prior	
		1,187.45	0.00	1,187.45	2007	
		1,007.68	0.00	1,007.68	2008	
		1,064.90	0.00	1,064.90	2009	5,604.75
101	Noblestown U P	1,504.75	0.00	1,504.75	2009	
199	North Hills U P	1,574.20	0.00	1,574.20	2009	
**	9 Northminster	5,229.96	2,679.20	2,550.76	2006	
		5,419.09	1,731.90	3,687.19	2007	
		5,102.72	1,624.35	3,478.37	2008	
		5,509.70	0.00	5,509.70	2009	15,226.02
110	Northmont U P	15,556.80	3,889.20	11,667.60	2009	
104	Oakdale U P	3,078.95	769.74	2,309.21	2009	
105	Oakmont	12,639.90	3,159.98	9,479.92	2009	
195	Olivet U P	1,898.30	0.00	1,898.30	2009	
2	Parkwood U P	10,186.00	2,546.50	7,639.50	2009	
111	Pine Creek	439.85	0.00	439.85	2009	
***	131 Pittsburgh, First	7,292.25	0.00	7,292.25	2009	
169	Pleasant Hills Community	34,771.30	8,692.83	26,078.47	2009	
187	Pleasant Unity U P	18,789.11	5,135.73	13,653.38	2006 & prior	
		4,425.95	0.00	4,425.95	2007	
		4,395.20	0.00	4,395.20	2008	
		4,745.75	0.00	4,745.75	2009	27,220.28
170	Plum Creek, The P C	9,840.96	4,559.61	5,281.35	2008	
		9,514.65	0.00	9,514.65	2009	14,796.00
22	Rennerdale, First U P	2,523.35	0.00	2,523.35	2009	
65	Riverdale U P	3,773.45	943.37	2,830.08	2009	

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115	Riverview U P	15,657.60	14,297.02	1,360.58	2004 & prior	
		4,143.85	1,035.96	3,107.89	2009	4,468.47
173	Ross Community	2,315.00	578.75	1,736.25	2009	
48	Round Hill	4,952.64	390.00	4,562.64	2008	
		5,116.15	0.00	5,116.15	2009	9,678.79
83	Sampson's Mills	4,491.10	0.00	4,491.10	2009	
207	Second U P , Wilkinsburg	1,736.25	0.00	1,736.25	2009	
176	Sewickley , The P C	24,353.80	0.00	24,353.80	2009	
158	Shadyside	22,478.65	0.00	22,478.65	2009	
34	Sharon Community	9,236.85	2,309.00	6,927.85	2009	
161	Sixth	5,023.55	0.00	5,023.55	2009	
162	South Side	11,074.70	1,215.58	9,859.12	2006 & prior	
		1,338.58	348.56	990.02	2007	
		1,393.60	348.56	1,045.04	2008	
		1,481.60	0.00	1,481.60	2009	13,375.78
96	Southminster	35,488.95	0.00	35,488.95	2009	
181	Springdale U P	5,069.85	0.00	5,069.85	2009	
177	St. Andrew's U P	1,458.45	364.61	1,093.84	2009	
97	Sunset Hills U P	6,945.00	578.75	6,366.25	2009	
182	Swissvale U P	2,870.60	0.00	2,870.60	2009	
185	Tarentum, First U P	6,517.76	3,545.46	2,972.30	2008	
		6,690.35	0.00	6,690.35	2009	9,662.65
163	Third	9,074.80	0.00	9,074.80	2009	
188	Turtle Creek, First U P	1,319.55	0.00	1,319.55	2009	
87	Union, Robinson Twp	13,797.40	0.00	13,797.40	2009	
208	Union, Wilmerding	463.00	0.00	463.00	2009	
189	Unity U P	10,795.00	3,190.27	7,604.73	2007	
		10,912.96	2,838.94	8,074.02	2008	
		10,440.65	0.00	10,440.65	2009	26,119.40
***	190 Universal U P	4,426.41	2,265.97	2,160.44	2006 & prior	
		2,223.77	884.21	1,339.56	2007	
		2,477.05	619.26	1,857.79	2008	5,357.79
***	71 Valley	5,442.56	4,412.28	1,030.28	2006	
		5,203.19	2,933.47	2,269.72	2007	
		4,722.60	0.00	4,722.60	2009	8,022.60
166	Valley View	1,525.14	1,371.03	154.11	2005	
		1,791.97	0.00	1,791.97	2007	
		1,843.84	0.00	1,843.84	2008	
		1,990.90	0.00	1,990.90	2009	5,780.82
194	Verona U P	1,372.16	343.04	1,029.12	2008	
		1,481.60	370.40	1,111.20	2009	2,140.32
66	Wallace Memorial	10,070.25	0.00	10,070.25	2009	
168	Waverley U P	2,824.30	0.00	2,824.30	2009	
191	Westminster	39,794.85	3,316.24	36,478.61	2009	
201	Wexford Community U P	5,255.05	1,313.76	3,941.29	2009	
202	Whitehall U P	6,131.56	0.00	6,131.56	2007	
		5,788.80	1,447.20	4,341.60	2008	
		6,273.65	0.00	6,273.65	2009	16,746.81
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>1,622,622.47</b>	<b>381,545.74</b>	<b>1,241,076.73</b>		

- \* Indicates churches that are withholding the Pittsburgh Presbytery portion of their per capita.
- \*\* Indicates churches that are withholding the General Assembly/Synod portion of their per capita.
- \*\*\* Indicates churches that are currently negotiating a payment plan with Pittsburgh Presbytery .
- \*\*\*\* Indicates churches that are withholding all per capita payments.

**SUMMARY OF PER CAPITA DUE BY YEAR**

2006 & prior	202,558.17
2007	82,474.43
2008	137,501.57
2009	<u>818,542.56</u>
	1,241,076.73

**REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK**  
**April 16, 2009**

**Items For Information**

**1. Revised Form of Government Discussion**

The **Form of Government Task Force**, reconfigured by the 218th General Assembly (2008), has released revised drafts of documents of a new Form of Government for study and feedback by the church-at-large. The task force is especially desirous of receiving feedback from sessions, presbyteries, and synods and it has set a requested comment deadline of June 30, 2009.

Elder Carol Hunley of Pittsburgh Presbytery is a member of the Form of Government Task Force and will be among discussion leaders at a presbytery-wide gathering to be held on the new form of government drafts.

It is our expectation that two (2) open discussion sessions will be convened at the Presbytery Center so that all interested Presbyterians may be invited to join in a discussion about the Form of Government proposals

***THE DATE OF THESE DISCUSSION SESSIONS WILL BE PROMPTLY ANNOUNCED AS SOON AS THEY CAN BE CONFIRMED***

Those who plan to attend either session should ensure that they first read all of the draft documents and study guides which have been posted on the denomination's website at [www.pcusa.org/formofgovernment](http://www.pcusa.org/formofgovernment)

**2. Correspondence**

During the reported period since the last regularly stated Presbytery meeting, all correspondence that was received was responded to and/or appropriately routed for review and response in due course.

**3. 220<sup>th</sup> GENERAL ASSEMBLY— IN PITTSBURGH...2012**

Remember that the 220<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) will convene here in Pittsburgh in the Summer of 2012. Plans are being crafted for the creation and staffing of the **Committee On Local Arrangements** for that General Assembly, and this notice is the **2<sup>nd</sup>** Call for Volunteers with an interest in participating in that important event.

If you have any interest within your congregations for people volunteering to become part of the work of hosting the General Assembly in 2012, it's not too early to raise your hand and let us know so we can begin the work with you. Interested volunteers should contact the Stated Clerk's office at the Presbytery. Our thanks, and regards.

**4. Annual Report to the Presbytery of the Pittsburgh Presbyterian Foundation**

Please take note of the attached annual report to the Presbytery of the Pittsburgh Presbyterian Foundation.

## Items for Action

### 1. Consent Motions

The Stated Clerk recommends the following items be approved by consent: **## 2, 3, 4 and 5**

#### **\*2. Receipt of the Report and Dismissal of the Administrative Commission for *First United Presbyterian Church, Leetsdale***

We recommend the Presbytery receive the attached final report of the Administrative Commission for the First United Presbyterian Church, Leetsdale, and dismiss the administrative commission with our thanks for its work.

#### **\*3. An Addition to the Calvert Memorial United Presbyterian Church Administrative Commission**

We recommend that the Rev. Jeffery J. Potter (Parkwood United) be added to the Calvert Memorial United Presbyterian Church Administrative Commission.

#### **\*4. An Addition to the Administrative Commission for Transformation**

We recommend that Elder Sylvia Nanji (Bethesda, Pittsburgh) be added to the Administrative Commission on Transformation in Class A 2011.

#### **\*5. Ecclesiastical Administrative Commissions to Ordain, Install or Receive**

##### to Ordain Christopher Graham Ford

##### **Ford**

The Administrative Commission elected by Pittsburgh Presbytery on February 5, 2009 to ordain Christopher Graham Ford as a minister of the word and sacrament, consisting of the Vice Moderator Elder Suzan Krauland or her designee to moderate: the Reverends James Gilchrist and Tamara Yeager together with Elders James Morrissey of the Presbyterian Church of Sewickley and Robert Lindeman of the Elfinwild Presbyterian Church, met by appointment on February 22, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church.

There being a quorum present, the Commission was convened with prayer by Elder Suzan Krauland. All things being prepared in advance, decently and in order, the Commission approved the Service of Ordination and voted to proceed to ordain Christopher Graham Ford as a minister of the word and sacrament according to the direction of Presbytery and the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

The Commission moved to the Sanctuary at 11:00 a.m. and ordained Christopher Graham Ford as a minister of the word and sacrament. Elder Suzan Krauland asked the questions (Form of Government, Chapter XIV, Section 4, 14.0305), which he answered in the affirmative. The Sermon was delivered by Dr. James Gilchrist. Rev. Tamara Yeager offered the prayer of ordination. The Minutes of the Commission were read and approved. Upon motion duly made, the Commission moved to adjourn at the conclusion of the Service of Ordination with the pronouncement of Benediction by the Rev. Christopher Graham Ford.

##### to Ordain Sarina Meyer

##### **Meyer**

The Administrative Commission elected by Pittsburgh Presbytery on February 5, 2009 to ordain Sarina Meyer as a minister of the word and sacrament, consisting of the Moderator Rev. Donald Ewing or his designee to moderate: the Reverends Paul Roberts and Rachel Stahle together with Elders Nancy Merrill of the Presbyterian Church of Sewickley and Kendall Pelling of the Valley View Presbyterian Church, met by appointment on February 22, 2009 at 2:45 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church.

There being a quorum present, the Commission was convened with prayer by Rev. Donald Ewing. All things being prepared in advance, decently and in order, the Commission approved the Service of Ordination and voted to proceed to ordain Sarina Meyer as a minister of the word and sacrament according to the direction of Presbytery and the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

The Commission moved to the Sanctuary at 3:00 p.m. and ordained Sarina Meyer as a minister of the word and sacrament. The Rev. Donald Ewing asked the questions (Form of Government, Chapter XIV, Section 4, 14.0305), which she answered in the affirmative. The Sermon was delivered by Rev. Paul Roberts. Rev. Scott Sunquist offered the prayer of ordination. The Minutes of the Commission were read and approved. Upon motion duly made, the Commission moved to adjourn at the conclusion of the Service of Ordination with the pronouncement of Benediction by the Rev. Sarina Meyer.

to Install the Reverend Thomas Hall, II

**Hall** The Ecclesiastical Administrative Commission elected by Pittsburgh Presbytery on February 5, 2009 to install the Rev. Thomas Hall as Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, consisting of Rev. Donald Ewing or his designee to moderate, the Revs. Douglas Portz, William Carl and Stephens Lytch; together with Elders Harley Allen of the Hampton United Presbyterian Church and Virginia Campbell of the First Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh met by appointment on February 15, 2009 at 9:45 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh.

There being a quorum present, the Commission was convened with prayer by Rev. Douglas Portz. All things being prepared in advance, decently and in order, the Commission approved the Service of installation and voted to proceed to the installation of the Rev. Thomas Hall to the direction of Presbytery and the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (USA). The Commission moved to the Sanctuary at 10:45 a.m. and installed the Rev. Thomas Hall as Pastor. Rev. Douglas Portz asked the constitutional questions (Forms of Government, Chapter XIV, Section 4, 14.0405), which the candidate answered in the affirmative. The Sermon was delivered by Rev. William Carl. Elder Harley Allen offered the prayer of installation. Elder Virginia Campbell asked the constitutional questions to the congregation, which were answered in the affirmative. (Form of Government, Chapter XIV, Section 4, 14.0510.)

The Minutes of the Commission were read and approved. Upon motion duly made, the Commission moved to adjourn at the conclusion of the Service of Installation with the pronouncement of Benediction by the Rev. Thomas Hall.

to Install the Reverend Lynn Portz

**Portz** The Ecclesiastical Administrative Commission elected by Pittsburgh Presbytery on February 5, 2009 to install the Rev. Lynn Portz as Associate Pastor of the Shadyside Presbyterian Church, consisting of Rev. Karl McDonald to moderate, the Revs. Douglas Portz, M. Craig Barnes, James Tinnemeyer and Todd Leach; together with Elders Eileen Kearcher of the St. Andrew's United Presbyterian Church and James Morrissey of the Presbyterian Church of Sewickley and Beatrice Jones of the Shadyside Presbyterian Church met by appointment on March 22, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. at the Shadyside Presbyterian Church.

There being a quorum present, the Commission was convened with prayer by Rev. Karl McDonald. All things being prepared in advance, decently and in order, the Commission approved the Service of installation and voted to proceed to the installation of the Rev. Lynn Portz to the direction of Presbytery and the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (USA). The Commission moved to the Sanctuary at 11:00 a.m. and installed the Rev. Lynn Portz as Associate Pastor. Rev. Karl McDonald asked the constitutional questions (Forms of Government, Chapter XIV, Section 4, 14.0405), which the candidate answered in the affirmative. The Sermon was delivered by Rev. Craig Barnes. Rev. Douglas Portz offered the prayer of installation. Elder Beatrice Jones asked the constitutional questions to the congregation, which were answered in the affirmative. (Form of Government, Chapter XIV, Section 4, 14.0510.)

The Minutes of the Commission were read and approved. Upon motion duly made, the Commission moved to adjourn at the conclusion of the Service of Installation with the pronouncement of Benediction by the Rev. Lynn Portz.

FINAL REPORT  
OF THE LEETSDALE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION

On January 15, 2008 the Moderator (of Pittsburgh Presbytery) appointed seven persons as an administrative commission with full authority for the purpose of overseeing the closure of the First United Presbyterian Church, Leetsdale. These persons are:

**Ministers**

Carol Roth (Ben A von)  
Deborah Warren (Wilkinsburg)  
Stew Lawrence HR)  
Scott Hoffman (Sewickley)

**Elders**

Judy Y eck (Sharon)  
Don Birnie (Sewickley)  
Ross Dillon (Ben A von)

Since then the Administrative Commission:

1. Arranged for the pastoral care of the members of the Leetsdale Church:
2. Ascertained the financial status and outstanding financial obligations of the congregation/corporation:
3. Secured the Session records:
4. Secured the legal rights to the property:
5. Secured the building and property:
6. Attended to matters of insurance:
7. Fulfilled it's responsibilities for the disposition of the building and grounds and the church's assets:
  - a. Explored several possibilities for the use of the building:
  - b. Determined that the best course of action was to sell the property:
  - c. Listed the building with a realtor:
  - d. Received an offer for the sale of the building and recommended at the September 18, 2008 meeting of Pittsburgh Presbytery that we (The Administrative Commission) "be authorized to proceed with the sale of the building and grounds of the First United Presbyterian Church, Leetsdale to Miele, LLC (an architectural firm) for the sum of \$105,000. The terms of the sale are cash and the anticipated closing date is September 30, 2008. The proceeds from the sale are to go to the Pittsburgh Presbytery ." The motion was approved by Presbytery .
  - e. The net proceeds from the sale were \$102,356.92 and a check in that amount was hand carried to Mr. Jeff W alley in Presbytery's office.
8. A closing worship service celebrating the life and ministry of the congregation was planned, publicized, and conducted.

A search of on-line corporate records at the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Corporations Bureau indicated that original church organization papers presumably had never been gathered into the Commonwealth's system. Therefore the Commission opted not to not file specific corporation dissolution forms.

In view of the above it is the position of the Administrative Commission that we have completed the task assigned. We therefore request that Pittsburgh Presbytery dissolve the Administrative Commission for overseeing the closure of the First United Presbyterian Church, Leetsdale effective April 30, 2009.  
Pittsburgh Presbytery Administrative Commission for the Closure of the First United Presbyterian Church, Leetsdale.

By: \_\_\_\_\_/S/ \_\_\_\_\_  
E. Ross Dillon, Clerk



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Reverend Jay Lewis, Stated Clerk  
Pittsburgh Presbytery  
901 Allegheny Avenue  
Pittsburgh, Pa. 15233

Re: Report for the year ending December 31, 2008

Dear Reverend Lewis:

The Pittsburgh Presbyterian Foundation has completed a successful year in God's service.

The Foundation is preparing updated literature for distribution to prospective donors and at Presbytery meetings, in order to re-acquaint members with the Foundation's purposes.

Finances of the Foundation are fairing well, given the market conditions of 2008. The Foundation held \$11,893,829.23 in assets as of December 31, 2008.

The Foundation believes that it has taken positive steps toward meeting its purposes as established by the by-laws and mission statement and that it will be a strength to the Presbytery and its mission.

If the Presbytery has questions or comments concerning the report, please do not hesitate to contact David Henderson, President, Board of Directors.

In God's Service,

Board of Directors

RTJ

## **Committee on Nominations**

Report to Presbytery  
April 16, 2009

The Standing Committee on Nominations is nominating the following persons to fill vacancies:

### **Committee on Ministry**

Minister, Deborah Messham, Lincoln Place (A2009)

### **Presbyterian Foundation**

Elder, Kears Pollock, Parkwood (A2010)

Elder, Christopher Martin, East Liberty (A201 1)

### **Council**

Elder David Lavender, Ross Community, Northern (A2010)

The Committee on Nominations notes it is in active search of persons to fill the following committee vacancies:

### **Council**

Minister, Southern, Class of 201 1

Minister, Southern, Class of 201 1

Elder, Central, Class of 2010

**Any member of Presbytery who has an interest in being considered for nomination to such positions, or who knows of any other person who has such an interest, is strongly encouraged to relay suggested nominees, and their contact information, to the Committee on Nominations or Stated Clerk's Office.**

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY  
TO PRESBYTERY

April 16, 2009

The committee met on April 1, 2009, at 4:00 p.m. at the Pittsburgh Presbytery Center . A quorum was present.

**Part I - Items for Information**

1. **Certified Ready to Receive a Call**

The committee reports that, after examination, it has certified the following Candidates ready to receive a call (G-14.0310):

  - a. Sean Hall (pending graduation, May 2009)
  - b. Janice Holmes
  - c. Michael Ludwig (pending graduation, May 2009 and completion of one year of candidacy , October 2009)
  - d. Jennifer Powell-McNutt
  - e. Derrick Weston
  
2. **Permission to Circulate PIF**

The committee reports that it has given approval to the following Candidate to circulate their Personal Information Form:

  - a. Sean Hall
  - b. Janice Holmes
  - c. Michael Ludwig
  - d. Jennifer Powell-McNutt
  - e. Derrick Weston
  
3. **Session Visits**

The committee reports a visit to the Sessions of the **Beechview United Presbyterian Church, Valley View Presbyterian Church and Verona United Presbyterian Church**, to discuss the role of the Session in the preparation for ministry and remind pastors and elders of the need for such a visit before consideration of endorsement, if one has not been made within the last three years.

***NOTE:*** *If a person is considering ordination as a minister of the Word and Sacrament, it is important that the person or the person's pastor seek current information from the chairperson of the Committee on Preparation or the Presbytery BEFORE being recommended by their Session.*

## Part II - Items for Action

1. **Consent Motion** The committee recommends that the following recommendations be adopted by consent: #2, 4
- \*2. **Enrollment of Inquirers** The committee recommends that the following persons be enrolled as an Inquirers:
  - Jennifer Pelling** Jennifer Pelling, a member of Valley View Presbyterian Church since 2006, is a 1999 graduate of Juniata College and currently a student of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary .
  - Christopher Proud** Christopher Proud, a member of the Hot Metal Bridge Faith Community since 2006, is a 2005 graduate of Point Park University and currently a student of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary .
3. **Examination to be Received as a Candidate** The committee recommends that the following Inquirers be received as a Candidates:
  - Caitlin Rohrer** Caitlin Rohrer , a member of the Hot Metal Bridge Faith Community since 2006, is a 2003 graduate of John Carroll University and currently a student of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary , has been an Inquirer since 2007.
  - J. Scott Shetter** J. Scott Shetter , a member of the Sunset Hills United Presbyterian Church since 2004, is a 1995 graduate of Liberty University and currently a student of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary , has been an Inquirer since 2005.
  - Stephen Wutz** Stephen Wutz, a member of the St. Andrew's United Presbyterian Church since 2007, is a 2007 graduate of Wheaton College and currently a student of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary , has been an Inquirer since 2008.
- \*4. **Appointment of Commission for Reception to Candidacy** The committee recommends approval of the following commissions to receive as "Candidate Under Care." The first named minister after the moderator shall be the clerk.
  - Caitlin Rohrer** Thursday , April 16, 2009 at the Presbytery Meeting at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary . The Moderator Rev . Dr . Donald Ewing or his designee.
  - J. Scott Shetter** Sunday , June 14, 2009, at the Sunset Hills United Presbyterian Church. The Moderator Rev . Dr . Donald Ewing or his designee, The Rev . Stewart Bair , The Rev . Dr . Frank T rotta, Elder Dave Brumfield (Sunset Hills United Presbyterian Church), Elder Jim Guerry (Covenant Community Presbyterian Church)
  - Stephen Wutz** Sunday , April 26, 2009, at the St. Andrew's United Presbyterian Church. The Moderator Rev . Dr . Donald Ewing or his designee, The Rev . Carol Roth, The Rev . Wendy Keys, Elder Mary Sample (St. Andrew's United Presbyterian Church), Elder Doris Calian (Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church)

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY  
TO PRESBYTERY**

The Committee met in the conference rooms of the Presbytery Center on March 31, 2009 at 4:00 p.m.

**Part I - Items for Information**

- 1. Positions Available**      The Committee lists the following positions within the Presbytery that are thought to be available. If the position is for **pastor or associate pastor**, listing here indicates that the Church Information Form has been filed with Louisville and the church is receiving PIF's:

Pastor	Bower Hill Community Presbyterian Church, Mt. Lebanon
Pastor	Hillcrest United Presbyterian Church, Monroeville
Pastor	Korean United Presbyterian Church, Ross Twp.
Pastor	Northminster Presbyterian Church, Bellevue
Pastor	Waverly United Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh
Assoc. Pastor	First Presbyterian Church, Bakerstown
Designated Pastor	Clinton United Presbyterian Church, Clinton

For other church related opportunities, please visit our website at [www.pghpresbytery.org](http://www.pghpresbytery.org) and click on "About Us."

**Part II- Items for Action**

1. Consent Motion      The Committee recommends that the following recommendations be adopted by consent: #'s **2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14.**
- \*2. Administrative Commission to Install      The election of the following ministers and elders of Pittsburgh Presbytery to serve as an Administrative Commission to install **Rev . Brian Jansseras** Pastor of the Heritage Presbyterian Church on May 17<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. Rev . Donald Ewing or his designee to moderate; Revs. Lynn Portz and Scott Sunquist together with elders James Young of the Elfinwild Presbyterian Church and Dick Thompson of the Heritage Presbyterian Church.
- \*3. Letter of Reception      The **Rev .David Thornton**, a member of the Palisades Presbytery to serve as Designated Pastor at Grace Memorial Presbyterian Church effective March 1, 2009.
- Mr . Anthony Rivera** a Candidate under Care of New York City Presbytery be received as a member of Pittsburgh Presbytery upon ordination and transfer to Pittsburgh Presbytery . Mr . Rivera will be serving as Associate Director of Admissions at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary .
- \*4. Letter of Dismission      The **Rev . Sung Yun Chh** to be dismissed to the Cascades Presbytery to serve as Pastor at the Korean Presbyterian Church, Corvallis, OR, effective April 16, 2009.
- The **Rev . Rebecca Maimarto** to be dismissed to the Redstone Presbytery as a member at large effective March 21, 2009.
- \*5. Temporary Supply      The request of St. Andrews United Presbyterian Church for the services of **Rev. Carol Divens Roth** Temporary Supply for six months effective March 1, 2009.
- The request of the Moon Run Presbyterian Church for the services of **Rev . Robert Humes** as part-time Temporary Supply for three months effective March 15, 2009.
- The request of the Central Presbyterian Church, Tarentum for the services of **Rev . Thomas Clifton** as Temporary Supply for nine months effective April 1, 2009.
- The request of the Dormont Presbyterian Church for the services of **Rev . Stephens Lytch** as Temporary Supply for four months effective April 12, 2009.

- \*6. Moderator
- The appointment of **Rev .Robert Humes** as Moderator of the Moon Run Presbyterian Church effective March 15, 2009.
- The appointment of **Rev . Thomas Clifton**as Moderator of the Central Presbyterian Church, T arentum effective April 1, 2009.
- The appointment of **Rev . Stevens Lytch** as Moderator of the Dormont Presbyterian Church, effective April 12, 2009.
- \*7. Member at Large
- The request of the **Rev . Sharea Leonard** to be enrolled as a Member-At- Large effective January 1, 2009.
- The request of the **Rev . Robert Andersort**to be enrolled as a Member-At-Large effective February 23, 2009.
- The request of the **Rev . Donald Dilley**to be enrolled as a Member-At-Large effective July 1, 2009.
- \*8. Pastor Emeritus
- The request of Grace Memorial Presbyterian Church to award pastor emeritus status to the **Rev . Johnnie Monroe** effective March 22, 2009.
- \*9. Request to Close a Position
- The request of the Central Presbyterian Church, T arentum to close the position of Pastor , effective September 1, 2008.
- \*10. Validated Ministry
- The position of Associate Director of Admissions at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary be considered a validated ministry of Pittsburgh Presbytery . **Mr . Anthony Rivera** will be ordained to this position if the way be clear .
- The position of Project Director of TWOgether Pittsburgh at Family Guidance, Inc. be considered a validated ministry of Pittsburgh Presbytery . **Rev . Terry Man**will serve in this position.
- \*11. Honorable Retirement
- The request for the **Rev .Charles Partee** for honorable retirement, effective May 31, 2009.
- The request of the **Rev . Stewart Baif**for honorable retirement effective October 31, 2008.
- \*12 Commissioned Lay Pastor
- The request of the Logan' s Ferry Presbyterian Church to renew the contract for Commissioned Lay Pastor services (3/4 time) of **Elder Robert Henry** for one year effective June 1, 2009and authorized to do the following functions:
- o Administer the Lord' s Supper
  - o Administer the Sacrament of Baptism
  - o Moderate the Session
  - o Have a voice in the meetings of presbytery
  - o Have a vote in the meetings of presbytery (such vote to be counted as an elder commissioner for purposes of parity).
  - o Perform a service of Christian marriage when invited by the session.
- \*13. Changes in Terms
- The Shared Services of the Presbyterian Church (USA) reports the following change in terms of call for the **Rev . T eresa D. Stricklen**to: Annual Salary (including Manse and Utility allowances of \$17,400) from \$57,820 to \$60,132.80 effective January 1, 2009.
- \*14. Relief of Conscience
- Approval of the request of the **Mt. Lebanon United Presbyterian Church** for "relief of conscience" in payments to the Board of Pensions.

DIRECTIONS TO PGH. THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY  
616 North Highland Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15206  
Phone (412) 362-5610

Pittsburgh Theological Seminary is located two blocks north of the East Liberty Circle which can be entered from Penn Avenue (from the east and west), Bigelow Blvd. from the south.

Drive around the Circle to N. Highland Ave.(vacant building formerly Sears is at the corner of the Circle and N. Highland). The Seminary is approximately 1-1/2 blocks on the right.

The Seminary can also be approached from Route 28-North. Take the Highland Park Bridge and bear right off the ramp to the first traffic light. Turn left at the light and continue up the hill past the Children's zoo. At the Y bear right, then turn left at the first street (Bunkerhill Street). Go four blocks to the top of the hill and turn right onto Highland Avenue. One block after Stanton Avenue (the first stop light) you will see the Seminary on the left.

Use the Seminary parking lot. **DO NOT PARK ON N. HIGHLAND AVENUE**