

PRESBYTERY OF YUKON Ministry Commission Report to Presbytery

DELEGATED ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE MINISTRY COMMISSION (MC) ON BEHALF OF THE PRESBYTERY OF YUKON

FROM FEB. 2, 2024 TO JUNE 1, 2024

Recommended for action by the Presbytery of Yukon

The MC voted to recommend that the Presbytery of Yukon vote on the following three questions at the February 9–10, 2024 stated meeting [Feb 8, 2024*]:

- Whether to allow the MC to approve, on behalf of the presbytery, the examination of and to receive Ministers of the Word and Sacrament transferring from other Presbyteries.
- Whether to allow the MC to authorize ruling elders to administer the sacraments when requested by the local session.
- Whether to allow the MC appoint session moderators if there is no installed pastor or if the installed pastor is unable to invite another moderator, or if session is without a moderator for reasons of vacancy or inconvenience.

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MINIMUM TERMS OF CALL FOR 2024

No Changes to the minimum terms of call were made during this time. See Appendix A for the 2024 minimum required terms of call for full-time installed pastors in the Presbytery of Yukon.

Terms of Call for Installed Pastors

The MC approved the following 2024 Terms of Call for Installed Pastors (details in Appendix B)

- Revs Tim and Leisa Carrick with United Protestant Presbyterian Church [Feb. 8, 2024]
- Rev. Matthew Schultz with First Presbyterian Church, Anchorage [Feb. 8, 2024], and as amended with the addition of 12 weeks of Family Leave [May 23, 2024]
- Rev. Seung Hyun Yoo with First Korean Presbyterian Church, Anchorage [Feb. 8, 2024]
- Rev. Luke Jones with Jewel Lake Parish, Anchorage [May 23, 2024]

The MC instructed the Stated Clerk to remind churches that did not list family leave in the terms of call for installed pastors that the Presbytery of Yukon and the Book of Order (G-2.0804) require up to 12 weeks of paid Family Medical Leave per year be granted to called and installed pastors. Family Leave is defined as leave to accommodate the birth, foster placement, or adoption of a child; leave to provide care to an ill or disabled family member; and leave to heal following a loss or tragic event.

Covenant agreements

The Ministry Commission approved the following 2024 Covenant Agreements (details in Appendix C).

* A date in brackets is the date of the Ministry Commission meeting at which an action was taken

- Immanuel PC session's contract with **Rev. Ellen Johnson-Price** as part-time supply pastor for one year. [Feb. 8, 2024]
- New Hope PC session's contract with Commissioned Pastor (Commissioned Ruling Elder) Matthieu Tinkelenberg as part-time supply pastor for one year. [Feb. 8, 2024]
- Utqiagvik PC session's contract with **Rev. Charley Brower** as half-time supply pastor for one year. [Feb. 8, 2024]

MINISTERS

Reviewed and Approved Member-at-Large Status for:

- Rev. Kiyoung Seo [Feb. 8, 2024]
- U.S. Air Force Chaplain, Rev. Jennifer Pottinger [Feb. 8, 2024]
- Rev. Johan Shin [Feb. 8, 2024]

Approved retirement for:

• Rev. Joseph Reid on March 23, 2024 [March 22, 2024]

COMMISSIONED PASTORS (CPS)

Approved recommissioning of the following CPs (also known as Commissioned Ruling Elders) for three years:

- Mathieu Tinkelenberg [Feb. 8, 2024].
- Marjorie Poggas [May 23, 2024]

CHURCHES

• Contingent on correction of a few issues, approved **Trinity PC**'s Ministry Discernment Profile to advertise on the PC(USA) Church Leadership Connection for a **Youth Pastor** to serve both Trinity PC and Jewell Lake Parish, [Apr. 0, 2024].

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSIONS (AC)

• <u>First Korean Presbyterian Church of Anchorage (FKPC)</u>: Added members Rev. Tim Carrick and CP Joseph Brock and accepted resignation from CP Debbie Melton. Rev. Seong Hyun Yoo (moderator) and Elder Steve Bang of FKPC remain on the AC. The MC continues to seek more AC members. [May 23, 2024]

OTHER ACTIONS

Required Training: Approved a letter titled **Misconduct Prevention Training Requirements** and asked the Presbytery Leadership Team (Executive Board) to also approve the letter. The letter explains to all Presbytery members that they must obtain sexual misconduct prevention and child sexual abuse prevention training, as required by Book of Order G-3.0106, and provides various ways to do so. [May 23, 2024]. Implementation will take place if the Presbytery Executive Board also approves the letter.

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

- 1. The MC will invite Presbytery of Yukon commissioners to MC meetings at which examination of Ministers of Word and Sacrament transferring from other Presbyteries occur and provide their written statements of faith. [Feb. 8, 2024]
- 2. After each meeting, the MC will post an updated list of MC actions on the Presbytery website. [Feb. 8, 2024]
- 3. The MC agreed that Rev. Ellen Johnson-Price will attend the Board of Pensions conference in April [Feb. 8, 2024].

APPENDIX A.

2024 MINIMUM TERMS OF CALL FOR FULL-TIME INSTALLED PASTORS IN THE PRESBYTERY OF YUKON

- **Minimum effective salary** for full-time service in 2024 is \$60,690. The Board of Pensions defines full-time service as 35 hours a week or more. Effective salary for part time service may be prorated. Minimum effective salary for full-time service in 2024 is calculated as follows:
 - \$46,684 plus manse/utilities value of \$14,006, resulting in an effective salary of \$60,690 OR
 - An effective salary of \$60,690 divided appropriately between cash salary and housing allowance.

In addition to the minimum effective salary, other minimums shall include:

- **Board of Pensions (BOP) pastors' participation plan**: Includes PPO medical coverage for family, defined benefit pension plan, death & disability plan, temporary disability plan. Pastors' participation dues rate as a percentage of effective salary, is 39%.
- Vacation 4 weeks annually (does not accumulate).

For bush pastors, every second year an additional 2 weeks' vacation and reimbursement for a round trip by published cheapest airfare to Seattle for pastor and immediate family who reside in the manse/housing. Bush pastors are those who reside at and serve congregations located on other than a year around road or scheduled rail transportation system.

• Study leave (continuing education) benefits

2 weeks each year plus \$1,500 each year of reimbursable costs (may accumulate for a 3-year maximum of six weeks. May not be used at the end of the call.

• Moving expenses

- A. Moving to calling church in the Presbytery of Yukon
 - 1. Cost of transportation for family from place of residence to calling church.
 - 2. 3,000 lbs. of household goods & 2,000 lbs. of books moved at the most economical rate available.
- B. Moving from calling church in the Presbytery of Yukon
 - 1. The lesser of:
 - a. The equivalent of cost of transportation for family to Seattle.
 - b. Half the cost of moving to the new location.
 - 2. The lesser of:
 - a. 3,000 lbs. of household goods & 2,000 lbs. of books moved to Seattle at the most economical rate available.
 - b. Half the cost of moving 3,000 lbs. household goods & 2,000 lbs. of books moved to the new location.
- C. The moving and transportation costs for <u>leaving</u> may be prorated during the first three years in the Presbytery of Yukon.
- Worker's Compensation full coverage
- Medical Leave 14 days
- **Family Leave** up to 12 weeks paid family medical leave. Family Leave is defined as leave to accommodate the birth, foster placement, or adoption of a child; leave to provide care to an ill or disabled family member; and leave to heal following a loss or tragic event.

APPENDIX B

2024 TERMS OF CALL APPROVED FOR INSTALLED PASTORS

Revs. Leisa & Tim Carrick - United Protestant, Palmer (1/2 time each) (Terms shown are for each co-pastor.)

<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
\$\$32,042	\$32,042
\$9,613	\$9,613
\$1,900	\$4,300
Required	Required
Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes
Salary	Match 3% of
weeks	5 weeks
/\$2,000	
/month	14 days
	Up to 12 weeks
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	\$\$32,042 \$9,613 \$1,900 Required Yes Salary weeks \$2,000

Rev. Seong Hyun Yoo – First Korean Presbyterian Church, Anchorage.

	2023	<u>2024</u>
Annual Cash Salary	\$36,000	\$36,000
Manse Valuation (rounded off to nearest dollar)		\$12,000
Professional Expense Reimbursement (auto, gas, books	s, other) \$1,500	\$2,000
Board of Pensions Pastors' Participation Plan Coverage	e Required	Required
Family Dental Insurance	Yes	Yes
Vision Eyewear	Yes	No
Vacation Time	4 weeks	4 weeks
Study Leave Time/Reimbursement	2 weeks/\$1,000	2 weeks/\$1,500
Sick Leave (accumulative)	14 days	14 days

Rev. Matthew Schultz – First Presbyterian Church, Anchorage.

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Annual Cash Salary	\$38,390	\$38,398
Housing Allowance		\$47,500
Discretionary Fund	\$500	\$500
Board of Pensions Pastors' Participation Plan Coverage	Required	Required
Family Dental Insurance	Yes	Yes
Vacation Time		4 weeks
Study Leave Time/Reimbursement ¹	2 weeks/\$1,500	2 weeks/\$1,500
Sick Leave (accumulative)	14 days	14 days
¹ may not be used at end of call, may accumulate	-	-

APPENDIX C.

2024 COVENANT AGREEMENTS APPROVED FOR PASTORAL CARE

Immanuel PC session's contract with **Rev. Ellen Johnson-Price** as part-time supply pastor for one year. [Feb. 8, 2024]

Effective Salary

- A. Total Compensation equals \$62,700 per year.
 - 1. Housing Allowance = \$39,600 per year
 - 2. 403(b) Contribution = \$12,000 per year
 - 3. Cash Salary = \$5,400 per year
 - 4. Minister's Choice Benefits with Presbyterian Board of Pensions = \$5,700 per year (10% of "effective cash salary" which is #1-3)
- B. Vacation- Four weeks paid vacation per year. Unused vacation time cannot be cashed out at the end of the year, nor can any be carried over from year to year. If this one-year covenant is not extended for additional years, any unused time is lost. Session must approve this leave.
- C. Continuing Education (CE)- Two weeks paid time for CE per year, and \$1,500 Study Leave allowance per year. If unused in the year, the CE time and allowance are banked for the next year for no more than a 3-year accumulation. If this one-year covenant is not extended for additional years, any unused time and allowance are lost. CE time and allowance must be presented to and approved by the Session at least 30 days in advance.
- D. Medical Leave- 14 days (at which time Temporary Disability becomes available)
- E. Paid Family Medical Leave (FML) Up to 8 weeks (per event) of paid FML may be granted if a significant life event happens to the employee or an immediate family member. Session must approve this leave. Significant life events are, but are not limited to: death or debilitation of an immediate family member, significant health condition of the employee or an immediate family member, employee divorce or dissolution, etc.

New Hope PC session's contract with **Commissioned Pastor (Commissioned Ruling Elder) Matthieu Tinkelenberg** as part-time supply pastor for one year. [Apr. 9, 2024]

Effective Salary

Enecuve Salary	
Housing Allowance	\$30,000
Reimbursable Expenses (by voucher)	
Mileage Reimbursement	\$1,500
Education Allowance	\$1,000

Other

Vacation Leave	2 weeks/year
Study Leave	To be determined
Worker's Compensation	Required

Wasilla First PC session's contract with Rev. Andrew Lemlyn as Interim Pastor for one year [Apr. 9, 2024].

A. Total Salary Compensation equals \$80,000 per year,

a. Agreed-upon portion allocated to housing allowance.

B. Vacation	5 weeks paid vacation per year.
C. Milage Reimbursement	\$1,500
D. Education Allowance	\$1,500
E. Study Leave	2 weeks

- F. Moving Expenses Up to \$4,000 in moving expenses.
- G. Travel back to the lower 48 states will be discussed with session, if needed.

Utqiagvik PC session's contract with Rev. Charley Brower as half-time supply pastor for one year. Effective Salary

Effective Salary	
Cash Salary	\$40,000
Expenses paid	
Travel to Utqiagvik from his resid	lence in performance of his duties
Church cell phone and internet	
Discretionary fund	\$500
Use of church vehicle, gas, and m	aintenance
Other	
Paid Sick Leave:	10 days initially, with additional sick leave accumulating a rate of 1 day per month, up to a total of 90 days.
Vacation Leave	1 week every other year
Worker's Compensation	Required