

ORDINATION AND/OR INSTALLATION OF A NEW PASTOR

Before coming to meet with the Committee on Ministry for examination, a new minister and Pastor Nominating Committee work together to select an ordination/installation date and a list of persons to serve on an installation commission. It is important to choose a date and time that coordinates well with the new pastor's schedule, the activities of the church, and the ability of the presbytery to participate (given driving distances). The date must also be after the meeting of presbytery at which the commission is approved.

An ordination or installation commission is a group of people carefully selected to represent the presbytery as installation is an act of presbytery and presbytery will elect these people.

COMMISSION TO ORDAIN/INSTALL*

NAME _____

DATE OF ORDINATION/INSTALLATION _____

PLACE _____

TIME _____

Please fill in the names of your Commission to Ordain _____ and/or Install _____.

- _____ To Moderate
- _____ To Propound the Constitutional Questions to the Minister
- _____ To Propound the Constitutional Questions to the Congregation
- _____ To Preach the Sermon
- _____ To Read the Scripture
- _____ To Offer the Prayer of Ordination/Installation
- _____ To Charge the Pastor
- _____ To Charge the Congregation
- _____ To Complete the Commission

Please note: The Book of Order G-9.0504 requires that Presbytery Commissions be no fewer than seven (7) members with no more that one (1) of its elder members from any one of its constituent churches, except for the performance of functions set forth in G-9.0503a, a presbytery may reduce the number to five (5) members with not more than one (1) of the elders from any one church. When the Commission consists of an odd number of members the additional member may be either an elder or a minister. The Commission shall be composed of ministers and elders in numbers as nearly equal as possible.

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