

The Presbytery of Prospect Hill
Called Meeting June 4, 2016
Lakeside Presbyterian Church, Storm Lake, Iowa

The Presbytery of Prospect Hill met for a special meeting on Saturday, June 4, 2016, at Lakeside Presbyterian Church in Storm Lake, Iowa. The meeting was called at the request of the Committee on Ministry.

The meeting was called to order with prayer by Moderator Brian Camara at 1:00 pm.

Committee on Ministry (COM) Moderator Tim Harmon introduced Nancy Anderson, Candidate for First Presbyterian Church, Manning. First Presbyterian Church of Manning voted to call Nancy at a called Congregational Meeting held on April 17, 2016. Lue Baker of the Manning Church Pastor Nominating Committee presented Nancy to the Presbytery and reflected on the process that led to Nancy's call. Tim reviewed the topics on which Nancy can be questioned by the Presbytery. The Moderator gave permission for visitors to ask questions.

Nancy then introduced herself and her faith journey. She then read her statement of faith, which follows.

Nancy Anderson Statement of Faith

Our God is the Triune God revealed as Father, Son, & Holy Spirit. As one eternal being they share all power & abilities; as three distinct persons, each has a primary identity.

The Father is Creator of the universe, sovereign King, Ruler of the world, everything & everyone in that universe, seen & unseen. When God created the first human beings they had a relationship of love & trust with their Creator; but since the man & woman chose to disobey, their trusting relationship with God was broken & sin entered the world. Sin has touched every aspect of our lives & it is only by God's rich grace & loving forgiveness may we have a renewed relationship with God.

The Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, born of a woman on earth to show us in concrete human form who God is, came to earth to enable us to renew our relationship with God through his own death on the cross, as payment for our sin. Jesus rose from that death, giving us victory over the power of sin in our life & clearing the path for us to know God personally & to please him. We can come to know God & please him not only by means of Jesus' own example on earth but by his power as well.

The Holy Spirit works in our lives every day. The Spirit reveals to us the sin in our lives, giving us power to repent from that sin & live the life God intends us to live in loving obedience to him. The Spirit draws us to God, praying for us & through us when we cannot pray ourselves.

The Scriptures, both Old & New Testaments, are the record of God's loving & powerful actions in the world. They are God's word to us, inspired by the Holy Spirit & written down by people who have listened carefully with their hearts to the Spirit's voice. The Scriptures are essential, central, reliable for what we need to know to grow in our relationship with God. They are the words that enable us to know & carry out the will & work of God.

The Spirit of God draws us together as the community of God's people, the Body of Christ in the world, known as the Church. Through the Church, the world learns of God & experiences God's love. We become part of this community by God's grace. We learn more about God as we worship and follow him together in community. Christ sends the Church, as ambassadors, into the world to proclaim & live as examples the good news of God's love for all, that Christ alone is the way of peace, justice, & reconciliation with each other & with God.

Baptism and the Lord's Supper are reminders to us of our covenant relationship with God. Baptism is the sign that we are brought into that covenant by God's initiative, through the washing of water; the Lord's Supper reminds us of God's grace, ours through the death on the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. As we participate in Baptism & the Lord's Supper, we are united with Christ through the real presence & power of the Holy Spirit.

The Son of God returns in triumph at the end of time to rule the nations, & all will recognize & confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God.

The Presbytery then proceeded to the examination. After a time of questions, it was moved, seconded, and carried to sustain the examination and approve the request of Nancy Anderson and First Presbyterian Church of Manning to install her as their pastor. Tim Harmon moved, on behalf of COM, to request Seattle Presbytery to ordain Nancy on June 17, 2016. Nancy was excused from the room. The motion carried. The terms of call were approved by COM and will be presented to the Presbytery at the regularly called July meeting.

Moderator Camara closed the meeting with prayer at 1:25 pm.

The next Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Prospect Hill will be held at Memorial Presbyterian Church, Cherokee, Iowa, July 9, 2016.

Those present:

Church	Teaching Elder	Ruling Elder	Commissioned Ruling Elder	Visitor
Breda, Wheatland		Charles Hundling		
Glidden	Brian Camara			
Ida Grove			Shari O'Bannon	
Lake Park	Tim Harmon			
Lake Park		Luke Harmon		
Lawton, Community		Lorna Peters		
Manning				Carol Schmidt
Manning				Bonnie Schmidt
Manning				Gladys Schmidt
Manning				Richard Schmidt
Manning				John Pea

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Manning				Ging Hudson
Manning				Renee Pfannkuch
Manning				Phyllis Opperman
Manning		Bill Opperman		
Manning				Lue Baker
Manning				Darci Opperman
Manning				Gwen Detlefsen
Manning				John Detlefsen
Manning				Connie Siepker
Vail	Richard Francis	Kathy Francis		
Westside United	Richard Francis			

Also present: Kevin Veldhuisen, Interim Stated Clerk.