

**PRESBYTERY OF YUKON**  
**Ministry Commission Report to Presbytery**  
**February 26, 2021**

**RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION**

1. Recommend that candidate Jennifer Pottinger be examined for ordination.
2. Recommend that Debbie Melton be examined for commissioning.
3. Recommend that presbytery approve 2021 changes in terms of call for installed pastors (Attachment A).
4. RE: Anchor Presbyterian Church Administration Commission: motion to be announced.

**INFORMATION PROVIDED FOR THE RECORD**

**Ministry Commission delegated actions:** (taken since the fall 2020 stated presbytery meeting)

1. Minister Status: The Ministry Commission has the responsibility of reviewing the status of members-at-large annually.  
**Rev. Elizabeth Schultz:** Member-at-Large status was renewed for another year, based on Elizabeth's responses in the annual report filed with the Ministry Commission: [Feb. 4, 2021]
2. Minister Contracts  
The MC concurred with the action of the Immanuel Presbyterian Church session to renew **Rev. Ellen Johnson-Price's** pastoral supply agreement for another year, retroactive to January 1, 2021. This is a part-time position (28 hours/week). [Feb. 4, 2021]  
Terms of compensation  
Cash Salary ..... \$8,580  
Housing Allowance ..... 36,420  
403(b) Contribution ..... \$12,000  
Vacation Leave ..... 4 weeks/year  
Continuing Education (Study Leave)\* ..... 2 weeks/year  
Study Leave Reimbursement\* ..... \$1,500  
Medical Leave \*\* ..... 1 day earned/qtr  
Family Medical Leave (Paid) ..... Up to 8 weeks per event  
\* Study leave time and reimbursement may be accrued for no more than 2 years.  
\*\* May accumulate up to a maximum of 10 days.
3. Commissioned Pastor Commissions up for renewal.
  - **Matt Tinkenberg** (New Hope Church): The Ministry Commission approved the request of the church council to renew Matt's commission for three years. Responsibilities granted under this commission: lead worship services and preach the gospel; administer the Lord's Supper; administer the sacrament of Baptism; have a voice and vote in the meetings of presbytery; perform a service of Christian marriage when invited by the council or other responsible minister, and when allowed by the state; perform a service at a funeral; lead worship services and preach the gospel at other local area churches when invited. [Feb 4, 2021]
  - **Marjorie Poggas** (Jewel Lake Parish): The Ministry Commission approved the request of the church council to renew Marjorie's commission for another three years. Responsibilities granted under this commission: continue to work with the pastor, elders, and staff to: preach the gospel, lead worship, and serve Communion as requested; maintain contact with partner church and report to council and congregation; assist in visitation/contact with visitors, new members, shut-ins, institutionalized members and friends of Jewel Lake Parish, providing pastoral care and communion when appropriate; assist in identifying/acknowledging gifts and calls to mission; facilitate adult [Electronic vote: Feb 16, 2021]

- **Paul Bodfish** (Atqasuk Chapel): No renewal request was received

#### 4. Miscellaneous Actions

- Certified Jennifer Pottinger ready for examination by presbytery for ordination and permitted her to begin negotiating for service. [Jan. 18, 2021]
- Appointed Rev. Britt Johnston to serve as liaison to First Korean Anchorage's Pastor Nominating Committee. [Nov 19]
- Authorized CP Matt Tinkelenberg permission to pursue training thru the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America's TEEM certificate program. The Theological Education for Emerging Ministries (TEEM) Is an approach crafted to fit the context of a candidate. [Nov. 19]
- Trinity's infant baptism request. Given that pastor Hoffbeck is not ordained as a minister and that Trinity does not have the internet capability to stream live services, it was recommended that the baptism be postponed until elders are trained and the congregation is able to meet in person. [Nov.19,2021]

#### Information to Report

1. Retirement of Rev. Curt Matz and Commissioned Pastor Darlene Matz. February 28 will be Curt's last day in the pulpit. He will take vacation leave through March.
2. Administrative Commission Reports:
  - Anchor Administrative Commission Report: Attachment B
  - Fairbanks Korean Administrative Commission: The Pastor Nominating Committee is corresponding with a candidate open to relocating to Alaska. The PNC will begin negotiations with the candidate if the way is clear, candidate passes presbytery background and reference checks, and examination by the Ministry Commission.
3. Church Moderators:
  - Atqasuk Chapel, Atqasuk.....to be appointed
  - Chapel in the Mountains, Anaktuvuk Pass.....to be appointed
  - Anchor PC, Anchorage.....Rev. Britt Johnston, AC moderator
  - Delta PC, Delta Junction .....Rev. Richard Mauer, pastor
  - Eagle River PC, Eagle River .....Rev. Piper Cartland, pastor
  - Fairbanks Korean PC, Fairbanks.....Rev. Ki Chun Lee, interim pastor
  - First Anchorage PC, Anchorage.....Rev. Matt Schultz, pastor
  - First Korean Anchorage PC, Anchorage .....Rev. Philip Jang, interim pastor
  - First Wasilla PC, Wasilla .....Rev. Henry Woodall, pastor
  - Gambell PC, Gambell.....CP Beulah Nowpakahok, pastor
  - Immanuel PC, Anchorage .....Rev. Ellen Johnson-Price, supply pastor
  - Jewel Lake Parish, Anchorage .....Church Council elder
  - Kaktovik PC. Kaktovik .....to be appointed
  - Kuukpik PC. Nuiqsut. ....Elder Connie Irrigoo, Native Ministries AC moderator
  - New Hope Church, North Pole.....Church Council Elder
  - Olgonik PC, Wainwright.....Elder Cora Akpik, appointed
  - Savoonga. Savoonga .....Rev. Leisa Carrick, liaison/mentor to St. Lawrence Island
  - Trinity PC, Anchorage .....Rev. Piper Cartland, appointed
  - United Protestant Church. Palmer .....Rev. Tim & Leisa Carrick, co-pastors
  - University Community PC, Fairbanks .....Rev. Neill McKay, pastor
  - Utqiagvik PC, Utqiagvik .....Rev. Joseph Reid, stated supply

**PRESBYTERY OF YUKON**  
2021 Changes in Terms of Call for Installed Pastors  
(Changes from the previous year appear in bold print)

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
<b>Rev. Leisa Carrick - United Protestant, Palmer (3/4 time)</b>		
Annual Cash Salary .....	\$41,613	\$41,613
Manse Valuation (rounded off to nearest dollar).....	\$12,484	\$12,484
Professional Expense Reimbursement (auto, books, other).....	\$1,850	\$1,850
Board of Pensions Core Benefits Coverage.....	Paid	Paid
Family Dental Insurance.....	Yes	Yes
Vision Eyewear.....	Yes	Yes
Retirement Savings Plan Contributions – Employer Matched .....	up to 3% of salary	
Vacation Time .....	5 weeks	5 weeks
Study Leave Time/Reimbursement <sup>1</sup> .....	2 weeks/\$2,000	2 weeks/\$2,000
Sick Leave (accumulative).....	1 day/month	1 day/month
<b>Rev. Timothy Carrick - United Protestant, Palmer (3/4 time)</b>		
Annual Cash Salary .....	\$41,613	\$41,613
Manse Valuation (rounded off to nearest dollar).....	\$12,484	\$12,484
Professional Expense Reimbursement (auto, books, other).....	\$1,850	\$1,850
Board of Pension Core Benefits Coverage .....	Paid	Paid
Family Dental Insurance.....	Yes	Yes
Vision Eyewear.....	Yes	Yes
Retirement Savings Plan Contributions – Employer Matched .....	up to 3% of salary	
Vacation Time .....	5 weeks	5 weeks
Study Leave Time/Reimbursement <sup>1</sup> .....	2 weeks/\$2,000	2 weeks/\$2,000
Sick Leave (accumulative).....	1 day/month	1 day/month
<b>Rev. Piper Bush Cartland - Eagle River Presbyterian Church</b>		
Annual Cash Salary .....	\$20,231	\$20,231
Housing, Utilities, & Furnishings Allowances .....	\$49,170	\$49,170
Auto Allowance .....	\$5,000	\$5,000
Board of Pension Core Benefits Coverage .....	Paid	Paid
Professional Expense Reimbursement (auto, books, other).....	\$2,000	\$2,000
Dental Insurance .....	Yes	Yes
Vacation Time .....	4 weeks	4 weeks
Study Leave Time/Reimbursement <sup>1</sup> .....	2 weeks/\$2,000	<b>2 weeks/\$2,000</b>
<b>Rev. Luke Jones - Jewel Lake Parish, Anchorage</b>		
Annual Cash Salary .....	\$46,676	\$46,676
Manse Fair-Market Rental Value .....	\$25,200	\$25,200
Manse Utilities (estimated – paid by the church) .....	\$6,000	\$6,000
Retirement Savings Plan Contributions – Employer Matched .....	\$4,000	\$4,000
Professional Expense Reimbursement (auto, books, other).....	\$5,700	\$5,700
Board of Pensions Core Benefits Coverage.....	Paid	Paid
Vacation Time .....	3 weeks	3 weeks
Study Leave Time/Reimbursement <sup>1</sup> .....	3 weeks/\$2,000	3 weeks/\$2,000
Social Security Offset .....	\$5,958	\$5,958

<sup>1</sup> Study leave time and reimbursement may be accrued for no more than 3 years.

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
<b>Rev. Neill McKay – University Community Presbyterian Church, Fairbanks</b>		
Annual Cash Salary .....	No report filed	\$29,772
Housing, Utilities, & Furnishings Allowance.....		\$30,000
Board of Pensions Core Benefits coverage.....		Paid
Dental Insurance .....		Yes
Professional Expense Reimbursement (mileage, books, etc.) .....		\$3,000
Miscellaneous Expenses .....		\$300
Retirement Savings Plan.....		\$1,760
Sick Leave .....		10 days
Medical Leave .....		90 days
Vacation Time .....		4 weeks
Study Leave Time/Reimbursement <sup>1</sup> .....		2 weeks/\$1,500
<b>Rev. Matthew Schultz – First Presbyterian Church, Anchorage</b>		
Annual Cash Salary .....	\$34,300	\$34,300
Housing, Utilities, and Furnishings Allowance .....	\$47,500	\$47,500
Discretionary Fund .....	\$1,000	<b>\$500</b>
Board of Pension Core Benefits Coverage .....	Paid	Paid
Dental Insurance .....	Yes	Yes
Vacation Time .....	4 weeks	4 weeks
Study Leave Time/Reimbursement <sup>1</sup> .....	2 weeks/\$1,500	2 weeks/\$1,500
<b>Rev. Henry H. Woodall – First Presbyterian Church, Wasilla</b>		
Annual Cash Salary .....	\$46,440	\$46,440
Housing, Utilities, and Furnishings Allowance .....	\$30,000	\$30,000
Professional Expense Reimbursement (auto, books, other) .....	\$2,000	\$2,000
Board of Pensions Core Benefits Coverage.....	Paid	Paid
Vacation Time .....	3 weeks	3 weeks
Study Leave Time/Reimbursement <sup>2</sup> .....	2 weeks/\$2,000	2 weeks/\$2,000

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Presbytery of Yukon  
Administrative Commission Report  
From Anchor Presbyterian Church  
February, 2021

Attachment B

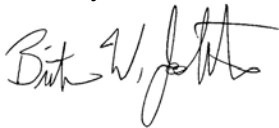
In late 2018, the Presbytery of Yukon approved the following action:

- Presbytery of Yukon assume original jurisdiction and appoint Rev. Britt Johnson [*sic*], Rev. Ian MacInnes-Green, RE Renee Savage, and RE Clyde Kaneshiro to an Administrative Commission (AC) for Anchor PC for a period up to two years, for the purposes of performing the duties of the session as found in G-3.0201; helping the Anchor congregation discern its future direction, and explore possible options in cooperation with Native Ministries.
- That the Ministry Commission be authorized to seek a fifth member, preferably an Alaska Native elder, to serve on the AC and to replace members as needed, and
- That the AC be expected to give a report at each stated meeting of presbytery.

Since May 22, 2019, our Administrative Commission has comprised:

- Rev. Dr. Britton Johnston (Moderator and Clerk of Session)
- Rev. Elizabeth Schultz
- Elder Renee Savage
- Elder Clyde Kaneshiro
- Elder Jenny Alowa

Sincerely,



Britton W. Johnston  
Temporary Supply Pastor/Clerk

Since the Fall meeting of the Presbytery, the group has met (via Zoom) once, on December 4th.

Notes From the minutes of the meeting on December 4th:

A total of \$200 worth of grocery store gift cards were given to the needy,

The Administrative Commission approved a gift of \$200 for the Irrigoo family to assist with the costs associated with the death of their sister Marilyn.

As the term of the Administrative Commission has now expired, it appears that decisions regarding the future of Anchor Presbyterian Church are in the hands of the presbytery's Ministry Commission.

The members of the AC would like to meet in March to draft a recommendation to the Ministry Commission.

The cash balance for Anchor as of February 17<sup>th</sup> is \$10901.87.