

Committee on Preparation for Ministry (CPM)

Resources on this page are to help people considering ministry as a vocation; Sessions and clergy, who will support and encourage them; and members of CPM, who will add additional guidance and evaluation to this process of discernment. The purpose of these materials is to clarify the roles and responsibilities of each person or group as well as outline the process that is to be followed. However, nothing can replace a healthy, personal relationship among all participants in this delicate process.

The process of being called to the ministry is intimate, profound and personal. Those involved need to be discerning of God's Spirit, respectful of the uniqueness of Inquirers and Candidates, while also upholding the standards for Teaching Elders (Ministers of Word and Sacrament) within the PCUSA.