

# Cost

## Coursework

The cost to the participants is

\$250 per term for tuition.

The cost for the full 2 year program is \$1000.



## Books and Supplies



Some books will be provided by the program. However, you will be responsible to purchase additional books and supplies.

## Subsidized by

The Presbyteries of Redstone, Upper Ohio Valley, Washington and Kiskiminetas



The Synod of the Trinity provided grant money to underwrite the cost of this program.

## Members from Kiskiminetas Presbytery Churches Only



Individuals from churches in Kiskiminetas Presbytery who are approved to participate in this program will receive financial support from the Presbytery's CP Fund. This fund will pay a \$200 scholarship per term for Kiskiminetas students and reimburse required books up to \$200 per term.

# Training for Ruling Elders to Serve as Commissioned Pastors



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Working together in  
Inter-Presbytery Leadership Formation  
(IPLF)

## What is a Commissioned Pastor?

The Presbytery is responsible for providing worship, preaching, leadership, pastoral care and celebration of the sacraments for its churches. Commissioned Pastors (CPs) are ordained Ruling Elders who have been trained and then commissioned by the Presbytery. The commission would be for a specific period time and to a specific ministry. In this role, CPs may serve a small church or a large church staff or in other areas as designated by the Presbytery.

A program to provide proper training for authorized persons to preach, lead worship and offer other pastoral functions for churches has been developed by the Presbyteries of Redstone, Washington, and Upper Ohio Valley. In the Fall of 2017, Kiskiminetas Presbytery joined this group.

The purpose of this program is to train Ruling Elders in preaching, pastoral care and church leadership. Upon completion of the course work, examination and approval of the Presbytery, individuals can serve as part-time CPs in the Presbytery's churches. There are continually increasing opportunities for CPs to serve in ministry.

Do you feel God is calling you to this type of ministry, serving churches part-time or preaching occasionally? Do you feel this would be a vocation where you belong?

For more information, contact your presbytery

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## How the Program Works

*There are three components to this 4 Semester program*

### Courses (all 4 required)

These classes have face-to-face meetings at least three times during the 15 week term. There will be online assignments also. They will be common to the whole cohort.

1. Biblical Literacy – Part 1
2. Biblical Literacy – Part 2
3. Reformed Theology
4. Reformed Worship/Sacraments

### Workshops (participate in 6; 4 are required)

The workshops will be led at each presbytery on a rotating basis. The format will be a 3-4 hour session on one day. You may attend the workshop in any presbytery to find a date that best suits your schedule. These may be taken simultaneously with the courses

Required  
Ethics/Boundaries  
Pastoral Care  
Polity  
Proclaiming the Word

Elective Examples  
Advanced Reformed Theology  
Advanced Scriptures  
Church Leadership  
Evangelism  
Spiritual Formation

### Field Education/Practicum

Each Field Education/Practicum will be under the direction of an experienced supervisor.

Requirement  
Church Administration  
Pastoral Care  
Preaching  
Worship/Sacraments

Prerequisite Workshop  
Polity  
Pastoral Care  
Proclaiming the Word  
Polity and Proclaiming the Word