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Greetings in Christ! We receive with joy the news that you have expressed interest in becoming an Inquirer in our Presbytery! On behalf of the Committee on Preparation for Ministry (“CPM”) we are excited to welcome you to the journey that lies ahead and to guide and support you in the process that is uniquely Presbyterian.

We realize that this process occurs over a number of years and can seem a bit overwhelming at times, so we offer the *Process Letter* to give you a preview of required steps in your discernment, education, and examination journey. Our Presbyterian tradition holds that we are a connectional denomination. This means that developing your call is a journey during which you need not feel alone. The *Process Letter* provides a description of steps you will need to take, links to the forms you will be required to complete and submit, expectations for timeliness, and many resources to inform you and to help you evaluate your gifts, strengths, and growth areas as you refine the focus of your particular call to ministry in the manner of our Lord Jesus Christ.

While the ordination process in the PC (USA) is rigorous, it is also an enriching process of discernment towards ordained ministry. We are advocates for you throughout the process. Please do not hesitate to contact your liaison or one of us should you have questions. We are here for you and desire to walk with you, support you, and pray for you as you intentionally and prayerfully explore God’s call on your life. We firmly believe that God has started a good work in you and that God will be faithful to complete it.

Yours in Christ,

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