

COMMISSIONED LAY PASTOR AGREEMENT

The Session of _____ Presbyterian Church of _____ being satisfied with the qualifications of _____ and believing his/her ministry will be of spiritual benefit to us, requests the Presbytery to approve our invitation to _____ to serve as our Commissioned Lay Pastor, beginning _____ and ending _____.*

The duties of the Commissioned Lay Pastor shall be:

- 1. _____ 4. _____
2. _____ 5. _____
3. _____ 6. _____

On behalf of the congregation we promise to support and encourage _____ in the performance of his/her duties in the following manner:

Salary _____ Prayer Support _____ Weeks Vacation
Housing _____ Active commitment of the Session in ministry responsibilities _____ Weeks Continuing Education
Pension/Medical _____ Continuing Education _____ Other _____
Auto Allowance _____ Other Financial _____

Date _____ Signature, Clerk of Session _____

Date _____ Signature, Moderator of Session _____

This is to certify that I have received and accepted the terms of this agreement to serve as Commissioned Lay Pastor.

Signed _____ Date _____.

The above agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Committee on Ministry.

Date _____ Chair, Committee on Ministry _____

(The original shall be mailed to the Session, a copy sent to the Commissioned Lay Pastor, and a copy kept for Presbytery records.)

*This agreement may be negotiated for a period not to exceed 12 months. At the end of this period it may be renewed/re-negotiated, subject to the approval of the Committee on Ministry. Either party may terminate this agreement and all payments and benefits beyond that date of termination with a 30 day written notice. A Commissioned Lay Pastor is commissioned for up to three (3) years. At the end of three (3) years, the Committee on Ministry can renew the commission.

**Pastors are encouraged to take four weeks vacation and two weeks study leave.