

# JOHN KNOX PRESBYTERY

## POLICIES FOR ORDINATION/INSTALLATION OF CANDIDATES

### Regarding Examination for Ordination

1. When a Candidate under care of another presbytery is called to a ministry within John Knox Presbytery but wants to be examined in the presbytery in which he or she is under care, the Committee on Ministry shall have the authority, between meetings of Presbytery, to agree to waive John Knox Presbytery's right to examine for ordination. This action shall be reported to the next regular meeting of John Knox Presbytery
2. When a Candidate under care of John Knox Presbytery receives a call to another presbytery, and the calling presbytery, having attested to the candidate's call, requests that John Knox Presbytery examine the candidate for ordination, the stated clerk shall arrange for that examination to occur at the next meeting of John Knox Presbytery and shall communicate to the calling presbytery the outcome of the examination, along with any other pertinent information.
3. When a Candidate under care of another presbytery is called to a ministry within John Knox Presbytery and is to be examined by John Knox Presbytery according to G-2.0702, the Committee on Preparation for Ministry shall receive from the presbytery of care the candidate's file and attestation that the candidate was certified ready for examination for ordination, pending a call. The Committee on Preparation for Ministry shall review the Candidate's records before presenting the Candidate to John Knox Presbytery to be examined for ordination at the appropriate time.

### Regarding Ordination

1. When a Candidate under care of John Knox Presbytery receives a call to another presbytery but desires to be ordained in John Knox Presbytery, the calling presbytery may request that John Knox Presbytery do so. The JKP stated clerk, in consultation with the Executive Presbyter and Committee on Preparation for Ministry Chair, shall communicate to the calling presbytery that John Knox Presbytery consents (or will not consent) to ordain. A report of this action shall be sent by the Stated Clerk to the Moderator of John Knox Presbytery, the chairperson of the Committee on Ministry (see #2 below) and to the next regular meeting of John Knox Presbytery.
2. When a Candidate has been examined and approved for ordination in John Knox Presbytery, and has reason to request to be ordained before the next stated meeting of John Knox Presbytery, the Moderator of John Knox Presbytery, in consultation with the chairperson of the Committee on Ministry and the Stated Clerk of John Knox Presbytery, shall be authorized to appoint an administrative commission and the time and place for ordination. The Moderator shall report such appointment to the next regular meeting of John Knox Presbytery. This expedient shall only be used when the appointment of an administrative commission for ordination cannot wait for the next meeting of John Knox Presbytery.