

Full Time Local Pastor Checklist

- Certified Candidacy status confirmed.
 - Local Pastor Licensing School completed.
 - Most recent copy of transcript from college, seminary, Course of Study, etc.
 - Medical examination, including CBC and tox screen has been completed- current
 - Satisfactory response from Harrisburg/*Childline* (child abuse clearance)- current
 - State Police Criminal Record check report- current
 - Professional Credit check (1-800-270-3435)
 - Psychological Assessment process has been completed.
 - Certification of attendance at the “Sexual Ethics” seminar.
 - Certification of attendance at the “Healing the Wounds of Racism” seminar
- The following written material must be supplied by the candidate to all Interview Team members by the announced deadline:**
- The most recent “Pastoral Evaluation Response Form”
 - The most recent “Superintendent’s Report to Interview Team”
 - 3 sermons preached in a Worship Service (In addition to the sermons in written form presented to all team members, they shall be provided TO YOUR PRESENTER as 2 audio tapes and 1 video tape, along with the appropriate Sunday bulletins)
 - A Lesson Plan for the study of a Book (or Books) of the Bible. (This shall be of sufficient substance that it could be handed to someone else to teach directly from the lesson plan.)
 - A Regular Biography (This is your person biography, e.g. family/personal history)
 - A Spiritual Biography (This is the story of your spiritual journey)
- Answers to the following Questions: [in writing]**
- Describe your personal experience of God and the understanding of God you derive from biblical, theological and historical sources.
 - What is your understanding of humanity and the human need for divine grace?
 - How do you interpret the statement “Jesus Christ is Lord”?
 - What is your conception of the activity of the Holy Spirit in personal faith, in the community of believers and in responsible living in the world?
 - What is your understanding of the teaching office of the pastor, particularly the teaching of the Bible?
 - What is the role and significance of the Sacraments in your ministry?
 - Do you believe in and will you practice infant baptism?
 - How do you understand the duties and authority of the office of Local Pastor?
 - Are you presently convinced that the best way to fulfill your call to ministry is as a Local Pastor? Explain.
 - Describe your understanding of an inclusive (race/gender/age) Church and ministry.
 - Describe and evaluate your personal gifts for ministry. What would be your areas of strength and what areas need to be strengthened?
 - Indicate in some detail how your close personal relationships affect your ministry.