**Spring 2025 Report:**

**Classis Ministry Committee (CMC), Administrative Committee (AdCom) & Stated Clerk**

*The* ***Classis Ministry Committee (CMC)*** *consists of the Administrative Committee and the representatives of the ministries/committees within Classis: Safe Church Team, Rev. Carel Geleynse; Waterloo Campus Ministry, Melissa Burmaster & Carolyn Kleefman; Treasurer, Evert Nagel (ex officio); Mission Team, Jane Vander Velden; Mission Catalyzer, Joan Brady; Diaconal Ministries & World Renew, Mary Blydorp; Guelph Campus Ministry, Sara DeMoor & Carel Geleynse; Ministerial Leadership Team, Rev. Wesley Collins; Prayer Catalyzer, Rev. Sid Couperus, Youth Champion, (currently vacant).
The duties include: Nurturing vision and planning within Classis, Providing accountability, guidance, and support for existing ministries of Classis, Provide governance support for Classis Huron.*

***Administrative Committee (AdCom)*** *consists of Pastor Sara DeMoor (Chair), Nick Geleynse (vice), and Rev. Henry Meinen (at-large). Fred Vander Sterre (Stated Clerk, ex officio).
AdCom takes care of all matters between Classis meetings and is empowered to act in an administrative capacity, and is accountable to CMC.*

*The* ***Stated Clerk*** *serves Classis Huron by keeping accurate records of the proceedings, decisions, and rules of Classis as per Church Order, Article 32-b. The Rules of Classis Huron also task the Clerk to serve as a resource to the churches of Classis on matters of order and procedure, maintain the records and website of Classis, and serve as a central point of communication for Classis, among other responsibilities.*

**AdCom** met on March 18, 2025, to review the proceedings of the February 26 session of classis, as well as reviewing the responses on the Evaluation Sheets. It was noted that the process of the Article 17 needs to be clearly explained at the classis meeting.
AdCom decided to go ahead with the request for a Special Classis Meeting (April 7) by five or more CRCs, in response to an overture from the Exeter CRC.
AdCom also discussed the agenda and its particulars for the May 2025 session of classis and appointed several Classical Counsellors to churches with pastoral vacancies.

**CMC** met on April 23, 2025, and presents the following report to classis:

1. **Received Ministry Reports:**The classis Huron ministry representatives serving on CMC shared their reports and ministry updates.
2. **Items discussed:**
	1. CMC discussed the agenda items for the May session of classis.
	2. CMC reviewed and approved the minutes of the February 26, 2025 session of classis Huron
	3. CMC reviewed and approved the minutes of the Special Classis Meeting, April 7, 2025 session of classis Huron.
	4. Joan Brady shared:
		1. the new four-page Ministry Plan.
		Each session of classis will have a focus on one of the key priorities of this plan. (e.g. Covenantal Responsibility at the May session.)
		2. the Youth Champion position was discussed.
		This should come to classis in September.
		3. the Creative Outreach Venture 2.0 will be introduced in May.
	5. CMC received updates from the oversight committees for the Vanastra CRC and for pastor Rober Hoekstra.
	6. AdCom will get legal advice regarding the seating and voting rights of delegates.
	A motion was accepted to suspend the introduction of the changes of seating and the annual re-signing of the Covenant until we have legal advice.
	7. CMC accepted a motion to recommend to classis to grant seminarian Aaron Tollenaar a one-year license to exhort in our classis.
	This recommendation came from his church Bethel Listowel.
	8. A motion to have a colloquium doctum with pastor Ken Labbé was accepted. This is planned for the September session.
	9. CMC approve for the May session the examination for a license to exhort in Classis Huron of Josh Sweetman and to recommend to classis to grant the requests for five-year renewals for exhorters Steve Vogel, John Zwart and Tom Mosterd.
3. **CMC approved the following actions and recommendations from AdCom**
	1. To elect a new member for AdCom as part of the AGM agenda.
	Classis will be invited to submit additional nominations.
	2. Appointed as classical counsellor for Stratford (searching for a second pastor) Rev. Jay Crossen (Exeter CRC).
	3. Appointed as classical counsellor for Waterloo CRC Rev. Craig Hoekema (Bethel CRC, Acton).
	4. Appointed as classical counsellor to the Waterloo Campus Ministry’s calling church: Rev. Jeff Vandermeer (New Life CRC, Guelph).
	5. Appointed Rev. Kasey VanderVeen (Transitional Minister, Water Street CRC, Guelph) to the Classical Leadership Ministry Team.
	6. **Motion** to classis to approve the actions of AdCom, CMC and the Stated Clerk

*Sara DeMoor – Chair Fred Vander Sterre – Stated Clerk*