Men's Leadership/Officer Training Class

Time: 6:45-8:45 p.m. each session

Format: 6:45-7:15; Study of the qualities and responsibilities of an officer

and the Book of Church Order

7:15-8:45; Study of the Westminster Standards

Requirements: Regular attendance

Complete reading assignments

Be prepared to take an active role in the class

Two take home, open book exams

Resources: Harmony of the Westminster Confession and Catechisms

(Morton H. Smith)

The Book of Church Order of The Orthodox Presbyterian Church

(2000 edition)

Manual of Christian Doctrine

(Louis Berkhof)

The Apostolic Church: Which is it?

(Thomas Witherow)

Redemption Accomplished and Applied

(John Murray)

Handouts

Tentative Schedule

Session I: Nov. 6, 2000

- 1. Introduction to the course.
- 2. The Necessity and Calling of Officers.
- 3. Introduction to Creeds and WCF.

Assignments: Read 1) Harmony pp. 11-15

- 2) Manual pp. 23-49
- 3) The Concept and Importance of Canonicity

Session II: Nov. 13, 2000

- 1. Qualifications of an Officer: Personal life I
- 2. Theology: WCF I

Assignments: Read 1) Harmony, pp. 16-18

2) *Manual*, pp. 53-83

Session III: Nov. 27, 2000

- 1. Qualifications of an Officer: Personal life II
- 2. Theology: WCF II

Assignments: Read 1) Harmony, pp. 19-21

2) Manual, pp. 84-94

Session IV: Dec. 4, 2000

- 1. Qualifications of an Officer: Inter-personal life
- 2. Theology: WCF III

Assignments: Read 1) Harmony, pp. 22-26

2) Manual, pp. 95-117; 121-130

Session V: Jan. 8, 2001

- 1. Qualifications of an Officer: Family life
- 2. Theology: WCF IV-V

Assignments: Read 1) Harmony, pp. 27-33

2) Manual, pp. 135-150, 130-134, 151-171

Session VI: Jan. 22, 2001

- 1. Qualifications of an Officer: Gifts
- 2. Theology: WCF VI-VII

Assignments: Read 1) Harmony, pp. 34-44

2) Manual, pp. 175-219

Session VII: Jan. 29, 2001

- 1. Qualifications of an Officer: Experience and Reputation
- 2. Theology: WCF VIII

Assignments: Read 1) Harmony, pp. 45-49

2) Manual, pp. 223-240

3) *Redemption*, pp. 79-105

Session VIII: Feb. 5, 2001

- 1. Responsibilities of an Officer
- 2. Theology: WCF IX-X

Assignments: Read 1) Harmony, pp. 50-52, 56-59

2) Manual, pp. 241-264

Session IX: Feb. 12, 2001

- 1. Responsibilities of an Officer
- 2. Theology: WCF XIV, XV, XI

Assignments: Read 1) Harmony, pp. 53-55, 60-62

- 2) Manual, pp. 265-273
- 3) *Redemption*, pp. 132-150
- 4) BCO, pp. 1-32

Take Home Exam

Session X: Feb. 26, 2001

- 1. BCO: FOG I-XVI
- 2. Theology: WCF XII, XIII, XVI

Assignments: Read 1) Harmony, pp. 63-66

- 2) Manual, pp. 274-276
- 3) BCO, pp. 33-73

Session XI: March 5, 2001

- 1. BCO: FOG XVII-XXIV
- 2. Theology: WCF XVII-XVIII

Assignments: Read 1) Harmony, pp. 67-103

- 2) TBA
- 3) BCO, pp. 74-96

Session XII: March 12, 2001

- 1. BCO: FOG XXV-XXXII
- 2. Theology: WCF XIX

Assignments: Read 1) Harmony, pp. 104-118

- 2) TBA
- 3) BCO, pp. 133-157

Session XIII: March 26, 2001

- 1. BCO: Directory for the Public Worship of God
- 2. Theology: WCF XX, XXI

Assignments: Read 1) Harmony, pp. 119-125

- 2) TBA
- 3) BCO, pp. 97-132

Session XIV: April 2, 2001

- 1. BCO: BOD
- 2. Theology: WCF XXII-XXIV

Assignments: Read 1) Harmony, pp. 126-131, 148-150

- 2) Manual, pp. 279-305
- 3) The Apostolic Church: Which is it?

Session XV: April 9, 2001

- 1. Hot Topics
- 2. Theology: WCF XXV, XXVI, XXX, XXXI *Assignments*: Read 1) *Harmony*, pp. 132-150 2) *Manual*, pp. 306-329

Session XVI: April 23, 2001

- 1. Hot Topics
- 2. Theology: WCF XXVII-XXIX

Assignments: Read 1) *Harmony*, pp. 151-154 2) *Manual*, pp. 333-361

Session XVII: April 30, 2001

- 1. Hot Topics
- 2. Theology: WCF XXXII-XXXIII

Final Exam Interview with Pastor Interview with Session