**OFFICER TRAINING DEACONS & ELDERS Fall 2017 – Winter 2018 SESSION 3**

January 3, 2018 9:30 a.m. in the Spiritual Life Center

**The Duties of Ruling Elders & Deacons Leaders:**

**Deacons:** Rev. Dr. Linda Lloyd and Deacon Moderator Betty Kiesle-Yoder

**Session:** Rev. Mark A. Medina, Rev. Diane Christopher & Ruling Elder Charlie Ashton, Clerk of

Session

1. **Please Watch on “Who and What Is the Church?”**

Watch: Theoacademy: Elders & Deacons

1. Lesson Three: Who is the Church?

b. Lesson Four: What is the Church?

<http://www.theocademy.com/lessons-for-ruling-elders-and-deacons>

1. **If you haven’t already, please review of some material from our very first week together.** Enjoy!

Watch: Theoacademy: Elders & Deacons

a. Lesson One: What Is Ordered Ministry?

b. Lesson Two: Being a Leader

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1. **Ordination vows.** Study and prepare to discuss.

<https://firstpresbyterian.org/sites/default/files/other/Constitutional-Questions-Elders-Deacons.pdf>

4**. Read: In the Book of Confessions, read:**

a. The Apostle’s Creed

b. The Nicene Creed

c. The Brief Statement of Faith

Resources:

Electronic form of Book of Order:

<http://oga.pcusa.org/site_media/media/uploads/oga/pdf/book-of-order2017-electronic.pdf>

Electronic form of the Book of Confessions:

<http://oga.pcusa.org/site_media/media/uploads/oga/pdf/boc2016.pdf>