



The Classis of Ontario Inc
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SESSION OF CLASSIS
CELEBRATING THE ORDINATION OF THE
REV PETER BURRILL
Friday, May 10, 2002 at 8.00 PM
at the Drayton Reformed Church of Drayton, Ontario

The Classis was called into special session to celebrate with the Congregation of the Drayton Reformed Church in Drayton for the ordination of one of their sons, Rev Peter Burrill.

When a quorum had gathered for this session, the President Rev Clifford Turkstra called Classis to order by 7.55 PM and opened with prayer the members of Classis proceeded into the sanctuary to join the Congregation in worship.

The Rev Hank Bylstra led the congregation in a call to worship followed by the hymn, "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee." He then opened in prayer for God's blessing on this special time.. The congregation spent time in confession of sin, and having received the assurance of God's pardon, read responsively about disciples. This was followed by the Hymn "Jesus Calls Us."

The Rev Dirk Kramer brought the Word of God, reading from Jeremiah 1:1-19: the call of Jeremiah by God into his ministry. His theme was, "The Word of the Lord Came to Me", and encouraged Peter and all in attendance to remember the joys and hardships of the ministry. The sermon was followed by the song, "Be Thou My Vision" by Elaine Burrill.

Our President, Rev Clifford Turkstra, then led the Classis, Congregation and visitors in the service of ordination, leading us in prayer, reading the Declaration and Exposition. The prayer of ordination was led by Rev Turkstra with elders and ministers asked to join in the laying on of hands. Rev Burrill read the Declaration for Ministers, and signed his name to the statement. Rev Art VanSlageren gave the charge to the Minister after which another hymn was sung.

The Rev Burrill closed the time of worship and celebration with the benediction of God's favour upon His people. A time of fellowship followed in the fellowship hall.

Humbly submitted,

The Rev Abram Blaak
Stated Clerk

Rev Clifford Turkstra
Classis President