



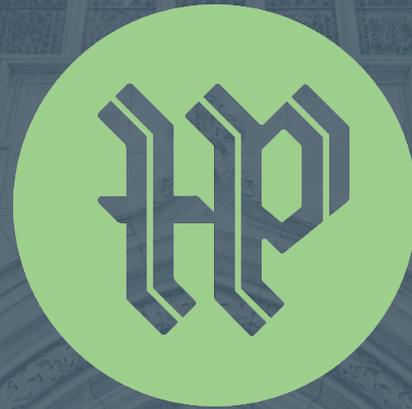
Highland Park

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Elder Training



Essential Tenets



Week 1: Why Essentials, God's Word, Two Central Mysteries (I & II)

Week 2: Salvation and Covenant Life in the Church (III A, B, C)

Week 3: Church Leadership, Whole Life Ministry, Obedience (III D & E)



Essential Tenets

How would you distinguish the roles of these three ordained church offices?

Pastors?

Ruling Elders?

Deacons?

D. Faithful Stewardship of All of Life



Essential Tenets

If someone were to ask you, “Why do we affirm that God calls both men *and women* to all the ministries of the Church?” how would you answer?

D. Faithful Stewardship of All of Life



Essential Tenets

A church member gets pregnant out of wedlock and is considering having an abortion. Knowing that you are a spiritual leader, she asks you “what should I do?”

Based on the Essential Tenets and the teaching of Scripture, how would you respond?

E. Living in Obedience to the Word of God



Essential Tenets

Two men who are in an openly gay relationship express that they would like to join our church. Since they know you are an elder they ask you, “will our church allow that?”

Based on the Essential Tenets and the teaching of Scripture, how would you respond?

E. Living in obedience to the Word of God