

PROFESSOR VAN DRIEL ORDAINED



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to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament by the Pittsburgh Presbytery May 23 at 4:00 p.m. in the Seminary's Hicks Chapel.

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