

2024 NOMINATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS

ELDERS, DEACONS, & TRUSTEES | CLASS OF 2027

The life of the congregation is enriched by the many different kinds of service that members offer. This represents an expression of Paul's great picture of the church as the body of Christ, with each member contributing to the health of the whole. (I Corinthians 12)

Congregational leadership is one important area of service in the church. Each year, members of First Presbyterian Church are called by the congregation to exercise a ministry of leadership within the church as Elders, Deacons, and Trustees. These are distinctive leadership roles, calling for particular gifts and commitment.

The offices of Deacon and Elder are part of the rich history of our Judeo-Christian heritage. Please read the scriptures listed below as you seek the leading of the Holy Spirit before completing the nomination form:

• I Timothy 3

• I Timothy 5

• I Peter 5

• Titus 1

The Church Officer Nominating Committee is now seeking names to consider for nomination for service as Elders, Deacons and Trustees. The Committee asks the congregation to suggest the names of persons who have been regular in worship, active in the life of First Presbyterian Church, generous in support of our ministry and faithful in their life and witness to the gospel.

The committee will meet and consider the persons suggested by the congregation together with the members who have served as officers in the past. The committee will exercise its collective judgment in deciding which members to nominate and present to the congregation for election.

Deacons

The Board of Deacons consists of 51 members who serve staggered three-year terms. Deacons undertake ministries of care and compassion within and beyond the congregation. Some of the responsibilities of this office are to deliver seasonal flowers at Easter and Christmas and to visit the sick and the grieving in hospitals and at home.

Elders

The Session is the governing body of the congregation. It currently consists of 24 Elders who serve staggered three-year terms.

Trustees

The Board of Trustees is the governing body of the management of the affairs of the church. Trustees serve staggered three-year terms.

The Session and the Board of Deacons meet in the evening on the second Monday of each month (except July). Elders also serve on one or more church committees throughout most of the year. Elders and Deacons are expected to attend and participate in these meetings. Trustees meet as needed.

The information on this form will be kept confidential and will be used only by the Nominating Committee, which consists of the following individuals:

Elder: Ed Moore (Chair)

Elder: Bill Oliver (Vice Chair)

Diaconate: Tom Benke

Women of the Church: Janet Wernli

Adult Education & Discipleship: Chuck Bunn

Christian Education/Children, Youth and Young Families:
Ashley Jackson

KEYS: Ellen Frazier (Older Adults)

At-Large: Caleb Barber (Young Adults)

Session: Jane Watson

In the space provided on the back panel, please make your suggestions and explain why the person suggested should be an officer. In considering persons for church office, please consider the person's service, participation, and giving at FPC, as well as their willingness to serve. It is especially helpful for the committee to be informed about involvement in the life and work of the church, including participation in Sunday School classes as a teacher or student. Also, please be aware that, according to our by-laws, anyone nominated must have been a member of First Presbyterian Church for at least two full years before beginning a term of service as an officer.

OFFICER NOMINATION FORM

I nominate: _____

for ☐ Elder ☐ Deacon ☐ Trustee

For the following reasons:

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Nominee contact information (required):

Home phone: _____ Work phone: _____

Cell phone: _____ Email: _____

Submitted by (please print): _____



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