

Suggested Officer Nominations for Class of 2021 ♦ Deadline April 15, 2021

1. Ask the person if he/she would be willing to serve if nominated. *“The Nominating Committee will have many names to consider, but if the Committee were to ask you to serve [as a deacon or an elder] would you be willing to serve?”*
2. Mail or email the information, or bring the form to the church office.

The Office of Deacon

The office of Deacon as set forth in Scripture is one of compassion, witness, and service, sharing in the redeeming love of Jesus Christ for the poor, the hungry, the sick, the lost, the friendless, the oppressed, those burdened by unjust policies or structures, or anyone in distress. Persons of spiritual character, honest repute, of exemplary lives, brotherly and sisterly love, sincere compassion, and sound judgment should be chosen for this office.

Book of Order G-2.0201

PARTICULAR RESPONSIBILITIES IN OUR CONGREGATION:

- Visitation in hospitals
- Coordination of Evangelism/Welcoming
- Oversight of Missions
- Congregational Care
- Nurture of those in need
- Prayer for the church and its members

I suggest the following person(s) for nomination as **deacon(s)**

Name: _____

Qualifications: _____

Name: _____

Qualifications: _____

Your (suggester's) Name: _____

The Office of Elder

As there were in Old Testament times elders for the government of the people, so the New Testament church provided persons with particular gifts to share in discernment of God's Spirit and governance of God's people. Accordingly, congregations should elect persons of wisdom and maturity of faith, having demonstrated skills in leadership and being compassionate in spirit. Ruling elders are so named not because they "lord it over" the congregation (Matt. 20:25), but because they are chosen by the congregation to discern and measure its fidelity to the Word of God, and to strengthen and nurture its faith and life.

Book of Order G-2.0301

PARTICULAR RESPONSIBILITIES IN OUR CONGREGATION:

- The total mission, government, and spiritual leadership of our church.
- Work in the Ministry structure: **Christian Education, Fellowship, Finance, Personnel, Property, and Worship**
- Participate in governance of the denomination, through the courts of Presbytery, Synod, and General Assembly
- Pray for the church and its members

I suggest the following person(s) for nomination as **elder(s)**

Name: _____

Qualifications: _____

Name: _____

Qualifications: _____

Your (suggester's) Name: _____