

# Nominating Committee Charter

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## Purpose

The Nominating Committee is composed of a current elder, who serves on session and is the chair, two members-at-large who serve a one year term, a currently serving deacon and an elder who is not currently serving on session. Additionally, members from different groups within the congregation may also be asked to serve on the Nominating Committee.

The purpose of the Nominating Committee is to identify and invite members to serve as officers of the church. This is done with the recognition that “All ministries in the church are a gift from Jesus Christ. It takes recommendations from the congregation, discerns and then places names of members into nomination for the offices of Deacon, Elder, and Nominating Committee Member-at-large. At a congregational meeting, the congregation votes on and formally elects the officers of the church. Members and officers alike serve mutually under the mandate of Christ who is the chief minister of all.” (section G-6.0100 of *The Book of Order*)

## Responsibilities

1. Discern God's will for the selection of officers in our church.
2. Make our congregation aware of the responsibilities of officers, opportunities for church leadership, and the Nominating Committee process.
3. Communicate with session members, deacons, staff, and other church leaders to identify potential candidates.
4. Nominate a class of elders, a class of deacons, and two Nominating Committee members-at-large each year.
5. Nominate members to fill unexpired terms.
6. Attend committee meetings from April to September. Meeting schedule TBD by committee members.
7. Publish slate of officers in bulletin two weeks prior to congregational meetings called for the purpose of electing officers.
8. Present nominations at congregational meetings called for the purpose of electing officers.

## Goals

1. Help members identify spiritual gifts related to church leadership.
2. Increase the numbers of underrepresented members in church leadership.