

Election of New Session Members

The Session has formed a Nominating Team to oversee our Elder Election. Team members are Paul Pennock, Ross Pauli, Glen Duff, Karen Dimock, Janet Dalgleish, Phyllis Mattar and our ministers.



This Team is responsible for discerning who in our congregation might be approached to consider the calling to eldership and service on the Session. To assist them in their work, we have asked that members of the congregation submit their own nominations in writing to the Church Office. One can make as many nominations as they like and self-nominations will be accepted. Nominations close on Friday June 24th. The following is an example of a written nomination:

I, Joe Smith, nominate Jan Doe to
be an Elder.

Joe Smith

The Nominating Team will consider all the names that have been presented, conduct interviews with potential candidates, and finalize a slate for the congregation to elect as Session members of St. Andrew's for a six year term.

PLEASE NOTE: All names submitted will be considered but all may not appear on the ballot.

REMINDER: The congregation is called to meet on Sunday June 26th following the service of worship to elect new elders to serve on the Session for a term of six (6) years.

Please keep the Nominating Team and the congregation in your prayers as we discern God's will together.

CONSIDERING ELDERSHIP @ ST. ANDREW'S
Wednesday June 15th at 7:30 – 8:30pm

Who should attend? Those discerning a call to eldership
Goal? To provide information on eldership for those interested and create a forum for those in attendance to address their questions or concerns.

WHO SHOULD I NOMINATE TO BE AN ELDER?

In considering these gifts, it is understood that we are on a journey together and as such are growing in our giftedness. Perfection is never a pre-requisite. An elder is a person who:

- is of good character who is an example to others.
- is free to meet regularly.
- is able to see the 'big picture' of life in the church. This person can answer, 'What is best for the whole congregation?'
- has concern for the property and facilities which the church owns or in which people gather for worship.
- is good at discerning the character of other people, who understands systems and how they work, who has a good knowledge of leadership styles and when they are needed for specific tasks.
- enjoys administration because it helps in the smooth operation of a congregation.
- is comfortable and natural in sharing their faith.
- is grounded in and respectful of the Reformed faith, tradition and government, even though they may not have grown up in that tradition.
- has gifts for teaching others about the Christian faith and the Presbyterian tradition.
- appreciates, understands and enjoys the sacraments – baptism and communion – and is willing to take part in the rituals of the church.
- is trustworthy and can hold confidences.
- relates well to people of all ages, is a good listener, can ask clarifying questions, and offer support.
- is open to God's Spirit leading the church in new ways and new directions.
- is skilled or gifted at personnel matters and in building good teams.
- cares for the beauty and order of worship.
- has knowledge about and is engaged in activity in the local community.
- has a strong sense of financial stewardship and deep commitment to responsible financial management.
- has a strong sense of the global mission of the Christian church.