

# Officer Nomination Form - Instructions

In March or April 2017, you will be asked to vote for a slate of officers to serve a three-year term in leadership, planning, and care for the church. Please give prayerful consideration to placing a church member into nomination for the office of Elder or Deacon.

## OFFICERS AT WHITE MEMORIAL ARE EXPECTED TO SERVE IN THE FOLLOWING WAYS:

- Participate in Officer Training Classes (Wednesday nights in September)
- Begin service next October
- Serve on a Sessional or Diaconate committee
- Attend monthly meetings and called meetings to the best of one's ability
- Act as commissioner to a Presbytery meeting as available (*elders only*)
- Serve communion as available and as needed (*elders only*)
- Provide pastoral and spiritual care for congregation
- Share in leadership of the annual Stewardship Campaign
- Communicate pastoral concerns and helpful suggestions to the pastors in a timely manner
- Participate in visitation, ushering and serve as Treasurer's Assistant (*deacons only*)

TO HELP YOU JUDGE THIS PERSON'S QUALIFICATIONS AS A CANDIDATE FOR ELDER OR DEACON, PLEASE CONSIDER SUCH AREAS AS THE FOLLOWING:

## PARTICIPATION IN CHURCH LIFE

- Christian commitment
- Attendance at public worship
- Participation in church activities (church school, fellowship groups, etc.)
- Offices held
- Services rendered

## CHRISTIAN LIVING IN DAILY LIFE

- Within the family
- At work
- In the community

## PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS AND SKILLS

- Cooperativeness
- Willingness to learn
- Ability to follow through on assignments/commitments
- Openness to new ideas
- Maturity of judgment

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Starting in 2017, youth elders and deacons will be nominated. One rising high school senior and one rising high school junior will be nominated.

All recommendations must be received by **January 18, 2017**. This form may be placed in the offering plate on Sunday or mailed to the church office marked:

White Memorial Presbyterian Church  
Attn: Officer Nomination Committee  
1704 Oberlin Road  
Raleigh, NC 27608

(See next page for form.)

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Person recommended: \_\_\_\_\_

For Elder \_\_\_\_\_ For Deacon \_\_\_\_\_

The Presbyterian *Book of Order* states the “Elders should be persons of faith, dedication, and good judgment. Their manner of life should be a demonstration of the Christian gospel, both within the church and in the world. It is the duty of elders, individually and jointly, to strengthen and nurture the faith and life of the congregation...”

“The office of deacon as set forth in Scripture is one of sympathy, witness, and service after the example of Jesus Christ.” They shall “minister to those who are in need, to the sick, to the friendless...”

How long has this person been a member of WMPC?

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Has this person been an elder/deacon of WMPC or governing officer of another church? \_\_\_\_\_  
If so, where? \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you recommend this person for the office of elder or deacon?

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In what ways has this person demonstrated involvement in the ministries of WMPC?

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To the best of your knowledge, does this person practice sound theology and accept the theology of the Presbyterian Church?

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How has this person demonstrated Christian commitment outside the church?

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Recommended by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_