

The Presbytery of Lake Michigan will elect at its September 18, 2021, Stated Meeting two (2) clergy commissioners and two (2) elder commissioners to attend the General Assembly. Alternate commissioners will also be elected.

Members of the Nominating and Representation Committee solicit applications from clergy and ruling elders within the Presbytery who are interested in serving as a General Assembly commissioner. If you wish to serve, please **complete this** two-page **application and submit it** <u>via email only</u> with attachments **to** <u>office@lakemichiganpresbytery.org</u> no later than Friday, July 15, 2021.

When reviewing applications to serve as a GA commissioner, the Nominating and Representation Committee will consider the following criteria:

- 1. Indication of strong technology and computer skills, since this GA may include both online and onsite attendance.
- 2. Past record of service to the presbytery and its congregations or active member at larger clergy assignments.
- 3. Commitment for continued service to the presbytery and its congregations and programs following attendance at GA.
- 4. Diversity and geographic distribution concerns within the presbytery.
- 5. Endorsement by the congregation where an active teaching elder or ruling elder is serving <u>OR</u> by the Commission on Ministry for an applicant who is a member at large.

Preference will be given to applicants from different congregations in successive General Assemblies.

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| Postal | | |
| Address: | | |
| Email: | | |
| Main Phone: | Office | Alternate |
| | Phone: | Phone: |
| Ruling Elder: | Indicate congregation and # of years ordain | ed as an elder. |
| PLEASE NOTE : <u>All n</u> endorsement from the Clerk of Session sign stating the support. As | a printed copy of this application and scan it into | serving a congregation should receive an a General Assembly commissioner. Either have the o an electronic file <u>OR</u> provide a signed letter build receive a reference or recommendation from |

stating the support. Any clergy applicant who is a member at large should receive a reference or recommendation from the Commission on Ministry (COM). <u>THEN</u>, the appropriate document should be submitted as an attachment with the application email. Note in the block below what document is being submitted.

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| Date: | Document Type or Signature: | |

1. Statement of major service to your local church, the presbytery and the larger community. Include relevant prior volunteer and work experiences. You may attach a brief curriculum vitae that outlines this service. Letters of support are welcome, but not required. Include dates of any prior service as a GA commissioner. If additional space is needed, please note below that additional information is being sent as an attachment when the application is submitted via email.

2. Statement telling why you wish to serve as a GA commissioner and how you intend to continue serving our presbytery after serving as a GA commissioner. In particular, you are expected to share and interpret the actions of the General Assembly within our presbytery and to make a report to the presbytery. If additional space is needed, please note below that additional information is being sent as an attachment when the application is submitted via email.

| I apply to serve as a commissioner to the 225 th annual General Assembly representing the Presbytery of Lake |
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| Michigan. I am sufficiently computer literate to receive and send electronic communications, and I will bring |
| a laptop computer with me to GA. I will abide by Rule 5 of the General Assembly Manual, which states that a |
| commissioner must be in attendance for the duration of the General Assembly and, if this is not possible, |
| must resign so that an alternate commissioner may serve in my place. My signature or typewritten name below |
| indicates acceptance of these conditions. |

Date:

Signature:

This application and any attachments and letters of support must be received no later than Friday, July 15, 2021 via e-mail to <u>office@lakemichiganpresbytry.org</u>. The election and commissioning of the General Assembly commissioners

will be at the September 18, 2021, Stated Meeting of the Presbytery.