



Presbytery of Lake Michigan

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

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Church Administrators

Dear Siblings in Christ --

Please consider this a special request to be brought to the attention of your Session and congregation! **We, as the Nominating & Representation Committee of the Presbytery of Lake Michigan, need help only you can provide.** We are asking sessions for assistance in attracting the gifts of ruling and teaching elders to serve the connectional church, specifically the Commission on Ministry and the Commission on Preparation for Ministry. **Our task is to find the right people to serve the presbytery, and to call those who would love to attend a General Assembly next year.**

We learned so much during the time of worldwide pandemic. **We discovered the benefits of using technology to our advantage in doing justice to our committee work.** While both commissions require dedicated time and commitment, members of COM and CPM often have the option to connect virtually during their on-going work of serving ministers, congregations and hopeful future ministers!

We are asking each congregation, small to large, to encourage those who have served at the session level to consider becoming active at the presbytery level. Please send recommendations and considerations to the committee moderator, Rev. Amber Nettleton, at amber.nettleton@gmail.com . Interested individuals also may find an application form under the "Nominations & Representation" tab on the Presbytery Documents page at <https://lakemichiganpresbytery.org>

URGENT REQUEST!

The Nominating and Representation Committee is asking for **applicants from your congregation for the 225th General Assembly** to be held in Louisville, KY. The Committee on the Office of the General Assembly has announced a **hybrid model** that will allow for in-person committee meetings and online plenaries to take place between **June 18 and July 9, 2022.**

The presbytery will elect two teaching elder commissioners, two ruling elder commissioners and one Young Adult Advisory Delegate during its September 18, 2021 Stated Meeting.

Those interested in serving as a commissioner or YAAD **must submit an application by Friday, July 30, 2021**. To find online application forms, please visit the “Presbytery Documents” page on the presbytery’s website at <https://lakemichiganpresbytery.org> and scroll down to the “Nominations and Representation” section.

Thank you and looking forward to hearing from you,

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