

**ELDERS** – The Elders “are persons of wisdom and maturity of faith, having demonstrated skills in leadership and being compassionate in spirit. They are chosen by the congregation to strengthen and nurture its faith and life, exercise leadership, government, spiritual discernment, and have responsibilities for the life of a congregation as well as the whole church.” (Book of Order, G-2.0301) Elders comprise the Session moderated by the Pastor and lead ministry councils and committees.

**DEACONS** – The Deacons “as set forth in Scripture fulfill a ministry of compassion, witness and service, sharing the redeeming love of Jesus Christ. Persons of spiritual character, exemplary lives, brotherly and sisterly love, sincere compassion and sound judgment should be chosen for this ministry.” (Book of Order, G-2.0201) The Board of Deacons is staffed by the Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care and Senior Adults and leads ministries of congregational care and compassion.

**TRUSTEES** – Overseeing the functions of the corporation of the church, the Trustees “manage property and permanent special funds for the furtherance of the purposes of the congregation, all subject to the authority of the Session.” (Book of Order G-4.0101) The Board of Trustees is staffed by the Pastor and cares for the maintenance of the church buildings and grounds, monitors expenditures, and oversees the annual audit and legal matters pertaining to the governance of the church.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE** – The members of the Nominating Committee, five of whom are selected from the congregation at large and four of whom are appointed by Session and church boards, are charged with preparing a slate of church officers to be voted upon by the congregation.



## **2021-2022 NOMINATING FORM FOR NOMINATING ELDERS, DEACONS, TRUSTEES AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS-AT-LARGE**

In the Presbyterian Church, the members of the congregation are given the privilege and responsibility of electing those individuals who will serve the church in the offices of Elder, Deacon and Trustee. Please assist us by giving prayerful consideration to the nomination of those individuals you feel have demonstrated gifts of leadership and a commitment to the life and ministry of BMPC.

### **2021-2022 NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

Bill Matthai, Chair  
Pam Walsh, Vice Chair  
Linda Gamble, Trustee Representative  
Sheryl Parente, Deacon Representative

Bill Black, At-Large  
Karen Dunkman, At-Large  
Whitney Hoffman, At-Large  
Matt McGuirl, At-Large  
Holly Stafford, At-Large

#### **Nominations for church officers may be emailed to:**

william.matthai@uphs.upenn.edu or MonicaDevane@bmpc.org or mailed to us at: BMPC, Attn: Monica Devane, 625 Montgomery Avenue, Bryn Mawr, PA 19010 by September 30, 2021.

**WHO CAN BE NOMINATED:**

A nominee must be a member of Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church for at least two years, a faithful participant in the worship and program life of the church, and a regular contributor. Previously elected officers are ineligible for at least one year before election to the same or a different board. No BMPC employees, their spouses or children are eligible to serve on Session and the Board of Trustees.

In keeping with our commitment to Child and Youth Protection, each officer of the church shall obtain both a Pennsylvania criminal background check and a child abuse history clearance before beginning a new term in office.

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**YOUR NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**POSITION:**

- Elder
- Deacon
- Trustee
- At-Large Member of Nominating Committee

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