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# Peoples Congregational United Church of Christ

## Invitation to Become a Part of Church Governance

### First Term

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Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

The Nominating Committee invites you to express your interest in becoming a member of a Board or Committee, or an Officer, in the Church Year beginning September 1, 2025.

Indicate your interest by checking below. If you are interested in more than one Board/Committee/Office, indicate your first and second choices. **For Board of Deacons, see separate form.** To learn more about the Board and Committees, see "Summary of Duties".

#### I am interested in:

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|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Church Council                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Music & Arts Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Secretary Elect                                                                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Christian Education     | <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship Committee  | <input type="checkbox"/> Chief Usher                                                                                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Trustees                | <input type="checkbox"/> Moderator Elect        | <input type="checkbox"/> President, Men's Fellowship                                                                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Christian Social Action | <input type="checkbox"/> Church Clerk           | <input type="checkbox"/> President, Women's Fellowship                                                                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Evangelism & Outreach Committee  | <input type="checkbox"/> Assistant Church Clerk | <input type="checkbox"/> Delegate to Central Atlantic Conference, Potomac Assoc., & Council of Churches of Greater Washington |
|                                                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer              |                                                                                                                               |
|                                                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer Elect        |                                                                                                                               |
|                                                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Secretary    |                                                                                                                               |

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#### In order for the Governing Body to know you better, please complete the following:

*Please note: This section is **required**.*

1. Are you a member of Peoples Church?  Yes  No If yes, for how long?
2. Why are you interested in the Board/Committee/Office you checked?
3. What qualities would you bring to the Board/Committee/Office you checked above?

#### Nominating Committee:

Drop this sheet in the box at the Church Office or email to [nominations@peopleschurchucc.org](mailto:nominations@peopleschurchucc.org)  
no late May 1, 2025

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Peoples Congregational United Church of Christ

# Invitation to Become a Part of Church Governance

# Second Term

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Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

The Nominating Committee invites you to express your interest in serving a second three-year term on your Board or Committee, or in your Office, in the Church Year beginning September 1, 2025.

**I am interested in serving a second three-year term on/as:**

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|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Church Council                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Music & Arts Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Secretary Elect                                                                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Christian Education     | <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship Committee  | <input type="checkbox"/> Chief Usher                                                                                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Trustees                | <input type="checkbox"/> Church Clerk           | <input type="checkbox"/> President, Men's Fellowship                                                                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Christian Social Action | <input type="checkbox"/> Assistant Church Clerk | <input type="checkbox"/> President, Women's Fellowship                                                                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Evangelism & Outreach Committee  | <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer              | <input type="checkbox"/> Delegate to Central Atlantic Conference, Potomac Assoc., & Council of Churches of Greater Washington |
|                                                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer Elect        |                                                                                                                               |
|                                                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Secretary    |                                                                                                                               |

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**In order for the Governing Body to know you better, please complete the following:**

*Please note: This section is required.*

1. Why are you interested in a second term on the Board/Committee or in the Office you checked?

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2. What qualities do you bring to the Board/Committee/Office you checked?

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3. Describe the contributions you made during your first term:

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**Nominating Committee:**

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# Peoples Congregational United Church of Christ

## Boards and Committees Summary of Duties

*Excerpted by Nominating Committee from the Constitution and By-Laws.*

*For further details, see By-Laws adopted December 2011.*

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### Church Council

*Consists of the Moderator, Moderator-Elect, Church Clerk, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Chairpersons of each of the four Boards and Council of Circles and Clubs, and nine Members-at-Large.*

The Council maintains general oversight of all the activities of the church and is responsible for governance of the Church between meetings of the Governing Body. The Council manages the following committees: Personnel, Nominating, and Pastoral Search for Called Ministers. Also, the Council is responsible for planning church wide meetings

### Board of Deacons

*Twenty-seven primary members, and as many Senior and Ordained Members as the Church shall elect from time to time.*

Deacons assist the Ministers in the administration of the Lord's Supper, visit the sick, counsel members, provide for the supply of the pulpit when necessary, look after the needy, and assist in the spiritual care of the Church.

### Board of Trustees

*Twenty-one members.*

Holds the property of the Church in trust, properly insuring it and maintaining it in good repair. It manages the financial affairs of the Church and secures the financial cooperation of the members in the support of the work of the Church. It provides periodic statements of individual contributions to members and other contributors. It is responsible for raising funds for the Church as necessary, and preparing and presenting the annual budget to the Governing Body. It has the responsibility to see that contractual and financial obligations of the Church are met promptly. It has the power to buy, sell, mortgage, or transfer the real property of the Church when duly required authority is received from the Governing Body. Its consent must be secured for the use of the Church buildings.

### Board of Christian Education

*Twelve members, of whom at least three shall be youth members of the Church, 21 years of age or under.*

Plans the development of the Christian education program of the Church. It administers the Church School and selects the Director of the Church School. The Board equips persons for responsible Christian living and service in today's world; engages in study, long-range planning and evaluation of the congregation's and community's Christian educational needs; and initiates new educational ventures to meet those needs.

## **Board of Christian Social Action**

*Twelve members*

Responsible for relating the messages of our Christian Gospel to the total society on the local, national, and international levels. It promotes a program of education and action in the Church and cooperates with other committees or organizations in the field of Christian Social Action.

## **Standing Committees**

*Each standing committee consists of six, nine, or twelve members, for a three-year term; one-third to be elected annually (except for those elected to fill unexpired terms).*

### **Scholarship Committee**

Develops and determines the criteria, unless otherwise specified, for designated gifts, for awarding scholarships, book grants, and the like; oversees the application process; selects the recipients; and determines the amount of each award.

### **Evangelism and Outreach Committee**

Assists in the promotion of the growth of the membership of the Church and promotes a program of fellowship and visitation. It may cooperate with other religious bodies for missions within and outside the Church.

### **Music and Arts Committee**

Assists the Senior Minister in planning and coordinating music and arts ministries of the Church.

### **Delegates to Central Atlantic Conference, Potomac Association, and Council of Churches of Greater Washington**

*Number of delegates is based on the membership of the Church, in accordance with guidelines of the United Church of Christ.*

Delegates report the results of meetings or conferences attended to the Church Council and the Governing Body. Delegates are elected by the Governing Body for staggered three-year terms.

## **Board and Standing Committee Chairs**

At its first meeting of each Church Year, each Board and Standing Committee elects its own chairperson to serve until replaced by subsequent vote of said Board or Committee.