
Meet the *Nominees* FOR CHURCH OFFICERS, CLASS OF 2013

ELDERS NOMINATED TO SERVE A SECOND TERM



JIM BIRDSALL

Jim has been a member of our church for 40 years. He and his wife Nancy reside in Bethlehem and have two children. Jim is entering his second term as an Elder and has been extremely active in chairing the Budget Committee for several years. Besides serving on Session, Jim has participated in a number of committee assignments including

Youth Work, Long Term Building (Chair), and Every Member Campaign, and has served as an usher.

Jim is currently employed as a Vice President of the Hanover Engineering Association, Inc. He and Nancy love to spend their leisure time traveling.

He is excited to have the opportunity to serve the church as a second-term Elder.



LARRY ROOD

Larry, a member of our congregation for 20 years, lives with his wife, Shirley, and two sons in Whitehall. In addition to having served as an Elder for three years, he has served in Men's Ministry and Youth Ministry, as a Sunday school teacher and as a member on the Thanksgiving Dinner Team and the Contemporary Worship Usher Team.

Larry is employed in sales and banking at Heartland Payment Systems. During his off-hours he has been active in BSA as a District Rep. His hobbies are golf, skeet and clay shooting with his sons and camping.

He has a deep sense of faith and is excited about the opportunity of being able to continue into a second term as an Elder.

ELDERS NOMINATED TO SERVE A FIRST TERM



BETH BLOSS

Beth has been a member of our church since 1985. She and her husband, Ken, reside in Kintnersville and have two children and three grandchildren. She has led a very active life in various ministries of our church. She has had leadership roles with Youth Ministry, Women's Ministry, Bible study and seminars and is presently Moderator of Presbyterian Women.

In addition, she has served on the Nominating Committee, as an usher, communion server, Inquirers leader and a quilter for Young Lives. She also served 21 years in Leadership Bible Study (eight years as the Teaching Leader) and served on the Alumni Board of Saucon Valley High School.

She enjoys quilting, golf and the grandkids.

Beth has shown her deep faith in our church by accepting the nomination as an Elder.



GAIL FARNHAM

Gail has been a member of our church for 20 years. During this period she has been active as a Chancel Choir member, Moderator of Deacons, has been part of Congregational Life and Care Ministries, and has participated in the Missions and Outreach ministries as well. She has three children and seven grandchildren.

She is currently employed as Supervisor of Student Teaching at Muhlenberg College and has also served on the Community Music School Board, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Team, National Response Team and the Lehigh Presbytery Helping Hands Care Team.

She enjoys reading, movies and watching the Phillies.

Gail's involvement in church activities is now extended as she accepts the opportunity to serve as an Elder.

ELDERS NOMINATED TO SERVE A FIRST TERM

Continued



JACK JORDAN

Jack and his wife, Betsy, have been members of our church for 40 years. During that time Jack has served as an Elder, Clerk of Session, Chairman of the Personnel Committee of the L.V. Presbytery, and is a member of the newly-established Facility Assessment Committee. He and his wife have three grown

children and seven grandchildren. His community involvement includes the Bach Choir, the Lehigh Valley Partnership, the Lehigh Valley Economic Development Corporation, and Historic Bethlehem.

Jack is retired from Bethlehem Steel. He and Betsy enjoy travel, reading and gardening.

Jack is excited to reenter church leadership as an Elder.



BOB RUPEL

Bob and his wife, Rebecca, have been members at FPC Bethlehem for seven years. They reside in Coopersburg and have two children. Bob is currently the Chairman of Lafayette Ambassador Bank. He now serves as a member of the FPC's Financial Counseling Team and is looking forward to serving as a member of Session.

Bob has been active in various community organizations having served with Valley Youth House, Minsi Trails Boy Scouts of America Council, Kutztown University Foundation and Northampton Community College Foundation.

For recreation he enjoys golf, reading and travel.

Bob is excited to have the opportunity to serve as an Elder.



MARY ANN SKUTCHES

Mary Ann and her husband, Joe, have been members of the church for over 40 years. They have two adult children and a grandson as well as four step-children and eight step-grandchildren.

She has been active at the church in childcare, as an usher, Sunday school teacher, Deacon and is currently serving on the Parish Nurses Committee. She is

employed by St. Luke's as an OB/GYN nurse.

Mary Ann was previously a member of Junior League and The United Fund Board, a mentor at Freemansburg and Nitschmann schools, and a volunteer at St. Luke's and the Red Cross.

Her hobbies include reading, playing bridge, sports and physical fitness activities.

She is looking forward to serving the church as an Elder.

TRUSTEE NOMINATED TO SERVE A SECOND TERM



SUE CADY

Sue and her husband, Wayne, reside in Bethlehem and have been members of our congregation for 30 years. In addition to serving as a Trustee for three years, she has been an Elder, has served on search committees, taught Sunday School, was an Inquirer leader and has been active as a K-group member.

Sue and Wayne love traveling and are recreational cyclists in their spare time.

She relishes the idea of being able to serve another term as a Trustee, especially since the church is headed in such a positive direction.

TRUSTEES NOMINATED TO SERVE A FIRST TERM



CLEM BONNELL

Clem has been a member of FPC Bethlehem for 20 years. He has been active as an usher, communion server, and most recently served as a member of the Helping Hands Mission Team assisting families in Iowa who suffered property damage and loss as a result of recent floods. He is also involved with Habitat for Humanity.

His hobby is genealogy.

Clem is anxious to become involved in helping to keep this facility in top-working order.



SHANNON CAWLEY

Shannon and his wife, Allison, have been church members for three years. They live in Bethlehem with their twin two-year-old boys, Evan and Ronald. He is currently employed at Kay Builders, Inc. as an architect. He has served as an usher and Serve Day volunteer. He also assisted with the church picnic and was involved with the Thanksgiving

Day dinner.

Hobbies include model trains, playing the trumpet and mountain biking.

Shannon is excited to help the church continue moving forward.

TRUSTEE NOMINATED TO SERVE A FIRST TERM

Continued



JIM MAUTZ

Jim and his wife, Randi, have worshipped at FPC Bethlehem for 23 years. They have two children, Elizabeth, a sophomore at Temple University, and Jimmy, a sophomore at Liberty High.

Jim is currently employed by Shelley Enterprises as an Estimating Manager. At church he has been involved in childcare, youth mentoring and the high school

and middle school programs.

His hobbies include boating, water and snow skiing and renovating old homes. He is looking forward to utilizing his skills in the building trade as a Trustee.

DEACONS NOMINATED TO SERVE A FIRST TERM

Continued



CAROLYN JOHNSON

Carolyn has been a member at FPC Bethlehem for 20 years. As an active member in the church, she has served on the Personnel Committee, and in Youth Ministry and the usher team. She has also been involved in Women's Bible study, Presbyterian Women, Fall Faith Festival and Kirk Camp. She is a single mom with two sons, Sean and Colin. She is employed

at B. Braun as a Senior Staffing Specialist.

Her off-hours include working on the computer and going places with friends.

Her deep faith has led her to accepting the call to be a Deacon where she will have the opportunity to help and care for others.

DEACONS NOMINATED TO SERVE A FIRST TERM



JEAN FOUST

Jean has been a member of our congregation for over 40 years. During that time she has been active as an usher, a phone ministrant, Bible school teacher, flower deliverer to shut-ins and a member of various women's circles.

Jean is widowed with three adult children and seven grandchildren. She is a retired physical therapist by profession.

She enjoys playing bridge, swimming, exercising and attending her grandchildren's events.



PAMELA SWANK

Pam has been a member of FPC Bethlehem for 25 years. During that time she has been involved in Stephen Ministry, high school group leadership, and a K-group. She has also served on the Worship Committee. Her community activities include Meals on Wheels and working at soup kitchens.

Her hobbies encompass book clubs, costuming, sewing and fishing.



ELAINE GABLE

Elaine has been an active member for 48 years. She has served previously as a Deacon and is excited about returning for another term. In addition, Elaine is involved in Presbyterian Women, Hi Neighbors and Westminster Village. Her community activities include mentoring at public schools, Meals on Wheels,

and Historic Bethlehem.

She enjoys working with crafts as a hobby.



RACHEL TAYLOR

Rachel has been a member of our church since 1995. She resides in Bethlehem as a single mom with two teenage children. Rachel has been actively involved with Kirk Camp, singles groups, youth programs, New Bethany Ministries and has served as leader of several Bible studies.

She is currently attending Moravian Seminary where she is majoring in Pastoral Counseling.

As a Deacon she will continue her pursuit of helping others.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE-AT-LARGE FOR 2010

RYAN HARTING

Ryan has been a member of FPC Bethlehem since 1999. He has been an active participant in Youth Leadership and also served as a member of the Serve Day Committee.

He loves to ski in his spare time and is looking forward to further serving the church on the Nominating Committee.

MARK LANG

Mark has been a member of FPC Bethlehem since 1982. During that time he has served as an Elder and Deacon and has sung in the Chancel Choir for 27 years. In addition, he has been involved with the Connections Ministry and was instrumental in advising and working with the group who installed our new sound system

Mark, who earned his Ph.D. from Penn State, worked a number of years with the Ben Franklin Institute. He is now working with the Charters Partner Institute.

Mark looks forward to helping identify the future leaders of our church.

LUCILLE MARSHALL

Lucille and her husband, Don, have been members of our church on three different occasions since 1959. They are parents of three adult children and have nine grandchildren.

Lucille has been involved in YCX, the mentoring program, Inquirers, K-groups, the Communion Team, Senior Adult Ministry and New Bethany Ministries. She also serves as Kitchen Coordinator.

She is also active with the Salvation Army Toy Mission, Westminster Village and Nitschmann Mentoring Program.

She and Don love to travel and watch their grandchildren.

GINNY MURPHY

A long-standing member of our congregation, Ginny has served with the Hospital Ministry, the Quilting Ministry and the Nitschmann Mentoring Program. She is also involved in a K-group and is a communion server at Westminster Village. In addition, she has served as an Elder and Deacon.

Ginny has two adult children and four grandchildren.

Traveling is high on her list of fun things to do.

DIANE OWEN

Diane has been a member of our congregation for six years. She has been active as a choir member and served on the Small Group Leadership Committee. She has also been a member of Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) for six years.

Diane is a professional designer and fabricator of window treatments. She and her husband, Jim, a commercial pilot, love the adventures of flying and travel. She is also an avid bird-watcher.

Diane feels that serving on the Nominating Committee will give her the opportunity to help identify future leaders.

ANITA SHANNAHAN

Anita and her husband, Tom, have been church members for 40 years. They have two adult children and one grandchild.

Anita has served the church as a Deacon, Stephen Minister and home communion server. She is also involved with ShareCare and the Nitschmann Mentoring Program.

Her deep faith has once again called her to serve on the new Nominating Committee.

PETER YOUNG

Peter has been a member of FPC Bethlehem for 38 years. He and his wife, Cherie, have a son and a daughter. He has been a member of the Chancel Choir for many years and also sings with the Bach Choir. He has been involved in YCX and has chaperoned the Youth Choir on its south trip mission. He is employed as an accounts manager with Versalift East.

His hobbies include camping, golf, skiing and singing.

He is anxious to further serve the church as a member of the Nominating Committee.

APPOINTED MEMBERS OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR 2010

MARIE BOLTZ is the representative for the Board of Deacons.

ADELE ERICKSON is a representative for Presbyterian Women.

(TO BE NAMED) is a representative of the Board of Trustees.

DEBBIE FIELD, Elder, will serve as Chair of the committee.

(TO BE NAMED), Elder, will serve as Vice Chair of the committee.
