



# Congregational Nomination Committee

Dear PHPC Members,

We are pleased to present the following for your approval:

- Five nominees for the Elder Class of 2019
- A Youth Elder to serve for a one-year term in 2017
- Five nominees for the Deacon Class of 2019
- A Youth Deacon to serve for a one-year term in 2017
- Nominees for the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee

These individuals were chosen from the many names suggested by the congregation, our pastoral staff, and by the Congregational Nominating Committee. The selection criteria include worship attendance; participation and leadership in church activities; evidence of commitment to PHPC and its mission; evidence of Christian living in daily life; pledging or other identifiable forms of financial support of PHPC; length of membership at PHPC; and willingness to listen, learn, and serve together. Additionally, we selected these nominees with an eye toward matching particular talents with the needs of each assignment.

We thank you for your involvement in the nominating process. We are blessed to have such a talented congregation.

Respectfully submitted,

2016 Congregational Nominating Committee

Susan Kilgore, Chair	Dudley Lacey
Betsy del Monte	Lee Roth
Jim Aiken	Russ Holloway

## Associate Pastor Nominating Committee

Associate Pastor for Mission and Outreach Nominating Committee

Bert Colter	Paul Neubach (Staff Committee)
Marsha Howard	Matt Kinard
Kim Vernon	

## Office of Elder

“Elders exercise leadership, government, spiritual discernment, and discipline and have responsibilities for the life of the church” (Book of Order G-2.0301). The New Testament tells us that when the apostles planted churches they appointed Elders to govern the congregations in their absence. The name “Presbyterian” comes from the Greek word for elder, which is presbuteros. As Presbyterians, each congregation elects ruling Elders and pastors to form the Session, a body charged with the spiritual leadership and administrative oversight of the congregation under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. By the Book of Order (the second part of the PC(USA)’s constitution), each Elder is elected to serve for three years. At PHPC, the Youth Elder is elected to serve a one-year term.

Elders presently serving

Class of 2016 - Ken Gilbert, Susan Kilgore, Charlotte Kroeker, Melody Mattox, Randy Skattum,

Class of 2017 - Anna Crowling, Ruth Ann Ernst, Kevin Forbes, Rus Holloway, Sarah Kinard, Kent Stadler

Class of 2018 - Lisa Centala, Janelle Crays, Amy Haub, Todd Owen, Jim Watkins, Rubie Loman (Youth Elder)



### Marty Loman

Marty has been a member of PHPC since 2002. He and his wife Jeanne have four daughters, all of whom have grown up in the church. Marty currently teaches 7th grade Sunday School, is a Youth Sponsor, is active in Meals on Wheels and sings in the Sanctuary Choir. In the past he has served as a Deacon as well as on several committees and outreach activities within the church.

“While I have grown up in the church, a recent question posed by Matthew has had a profound impact on my faith statement - are you following Jesus or only believing in Christ? Following implies a active commitment that is often times uncomfortable and sometimes costly. It is my hope that as a congregation we learn to follow and in doing so become both the recipient and instrument of God’s blessing to our community.”



### Dan Lorimer

Since attending PHPC beginning in early elementary years, Dan has been involved in many activities in watching the dynamic growth of the church. He is married to Allison, and they have two grown children, Sarah (Newton) & Ben and currently enjoy the incredible experience of two grandsons, Miles & Chase. Dan’s involvement at Preston Hollow has included Elder, Associate Pastor Nominating Committee, Staff Committee, COM & APC at Grace Presbytery & Lay Liturgist. Dan works for Chicago Title Insurance Company.

“It has been so exciting to watch the changes & new life of Preston Hollow evolve over the last several years. I look forward to participating with the growth and challenges as we move forward.”



### Pat Nobles

Pat has been a member of PHPC since 1998, shortly after she, her husband, Todd, and her daughter, Jordan, moved here from St. Louis. She is an ordained Elder and has served as a leader of the Faith Bible Discovery Adult Education class, an usher, and a liturgist. Pat is a retired corporate attorney who is presently a personal stylist for a custom menswear company.

“ I feel honored and humbled to be asked to be an active leader of the church during this exciting time of transition for our faith family. I covet your prayers for wisdom for me and for all of the Elders as we try to discern and follow God’s will for this congregation.”



### Melanie Sumrow

Melanie is a writer and attorney, who joined PHPC in 2001. She is married to Shane and they have one daughter, Madeline. Melanie has been a member of the Board of Trustees of Preston Hollow Presbyterian School for a number of years and recently served as its Secretary. Melanie is also a member of the PHPC Worship Council and is the current Co-Chair of the Communion Table Guild. Melanie serves on the Cottages at Hickory Crossing Mission Team, has worked as a parent volunteer for the Creative Arts Workshop, and has been a long-time member of the Couples in Faith Sunday School class.

“I am humbled by the opportunity to serve PHPC as an Elder. My hope is that, while we honor our church’s past, we seek thoughtful ways to diversify and grow our congregation and nurture the Dallas community as a whole.”



## Hannah Wright

Hannah grew up attending PHPC as the daughter of members Mike and Stacey Wright. She graduated from Texas Christian University in May 2014 with a Bachelor of Arts in Religion and a Business minor. Since returning to PHPC, Hannah has been serving as a second grade Sunday School teacher. She currently works for the U.S. Fund for UNICEF as a Global Citizenship Fellow. Hannah's passion for working with children became apparent through her time serving as a counselor at Sky Ranch Christian Camps and mission work with children in Nicaragua. Hannah's brother, Chris, sister-in-law, Taylor, and niece, Elliott, also attend PHPC.

"PHPC has shown me Christ's love in so many different ways over the span of my lifetime. I am humbled to have the opportunity to further serve our family of faith at PHPC. It is my prayer that we continue to share Jesus' perfect love beyond our church walls, encouraging our greater community to find the same joy and comfort through Him."



## Lauren Ghigi (Youth Elder)

Lauren is a junior at Highland Park High School, where she is on the drumline for the Highlander Band. Her family has been a part of this church community since 2002. Aside from school and band, church is a huge priority in her life and something she loves being involved in. She is active in the youth group, the Westminster singers, TLC leadership group, and the Malawi committee. In her free time she enjoys playing piano, spending time with friends and family, and being outdoors.

"Because of Preston Hollow and our amazing youth program, my faith is very strong and something I hold dear to me. It has influenced the person I am today and also who and what I want to be in my future. I hope to have a positive impact on other people's faith and to serve Christ well in all that I do."

## Office of Deacon

"The office of Deacon as set forth in Scripture is one of sympathy, witness, and service after the example of Jesus Christ" (Book of Order G-2.0201). The title of Deacon comes from a word with roots in Greek history, diakone. In its most basic form, it means "to serve," "to wait on table," or "to be a slave." It is this concept of service that the early church adopted to describe the function of the compassionate, caring arm of Christian mission.

The Deacons are organized into a board, called the Diaconate, under the jurisdiction of the Session. The pastors serve as advisory members. The Diaconate seeks to ensure the development and continuation of caring and nurturing ministries that provide personal support and a sense of family to those both within and beyond the community of faith. Each Deacon serves a three-year term. The Youth Deacon serves a one-year term. Each will serve on one or more of the Diaconate care teams, all of which are designed to foster and support the vision and mission of PHPC.

Deacons presently serving

Class of 2016- Kristin Birkhoff, Carol Poteet, Russ Richard, Matt Roberts, Sandy Watson, Karen Wiese

Class of 2017- Julie Anderson, Walter Barnes, Becky Elam, David Gafford, Lisa Johnson, Will Wise

Class of 2018 - Jaye Andrews, Sarah Hammontree, Jo Anne House, Annette Rutherford, Curtis Swinson, Sarah Moore (Youth Deacon)



## Steve Heninger

Stephen and his wife Allyson joined Preston Hollow Presbyterian Church in 2000. They have two daughters, Sarah and Mary Grace, both of whom are active participants in the youth ministries. Stephen has previously served as a Deacon, as well as a Stephen Minister and Stephen Minister Leader. He is currently a member of the Youth Group Leadership Team and the Table Guild.

"This church has been a central part of our family's life since the moment we joined. I look forward to having the opportunity to serve again as a Deacon."



## Caroline Homan

Caroline has been a member at PHPC since 2004. She and her husband Greg have 2 children, Walker (12) and Shelby (10), and the whole families enjoys their many church related activities. In particular, Caroline and Walker love serving Outreach Communion together; Caroline and Greg also take special pleasure in teaching the 2 year old Sunday school class together for the past 7 years. Caroline is a Vice President at Epsilon, where she manages technology-marketing teams.

“I love God and am always thankful for ways to serve other people.”



## Cindy Jung

Cindy first visited PHPC while she was in high school on youth trips. Since joining in 1987, she taught as a shepherd and as a rotation teacher in Sunday School while serving on the Children’s Ministry Division. She also has taught in VBS and led groups of Scouts in God and Family. Cindy currently teaches sixth grade at Preston Hollow Presbyterian School.

“I embrace this opportunity to participate more fully in the life of PHPC. I believe in the work of God through ordinary people who can reach out to share their love with others”



## Carolyn Lewis

Carolyn has attended PHPC since 2002 and joined in 2013. Her family includes husband Jim and two adult sons, Charles and Edward, both of whom have been deeply influenced by the people and mission of PHPC. Edward is now a student at Princeton Theological Seminary. Carolyn is a spiritual director and serves as a Community Educator with Faith and Grief Ministries. She sings in the PHPC Sanctuary Choir, is one of the choir librarians and helps weekly with the Dickinson Place Stitchers, a group of folks in low-income housing near Baylor Hospital who knit, crochet and sew prayer shawls, clothes and baby items for Parkland and other places of need. She says that she is humbled and honored to be called to serve as a Deacon at this church.

The vision of Christ’s kingdom in Matthew 25: 31-46 and these words in Micah 6:8 serve as the pattern and vision for her life. “He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.”



## Betty Baldwin

Betty grew up in the Park Cities and is an 11th generation Presbyterian having had memberships in Highland Park, Westminster, Northpark and Northridge Presbyterian. She worked as a Marketing and Public Relations Director for Hospital Corporation of America. Betty first joined Preston Hollow in 2002 where her daughter and family were attending. When she and her husband moved out of the county she moved her membership to Northpark Presbyterian. In 2005 she joined the the staff of Preston Hollow, rejoining PHPC. She retired from the PHPC staff in 2013 and since then Betty has enjoyed being on the Flower Guild and The Preston Hollow Garden Club. Betty has served six years on the VMLC Board of Directors. She has assisted in Memorial Services which, she says has been very meaningful for her.

“ Becoming a Deacon is an honor and I want to fill the role with hope and humility.”



## Katie Wall (Youth Deacon)

Katie Wall is a sophomore at Parish Episcopal School who has grown up at PHPC. She is a member of Westminster Singers and the Youth Band. Katie enjoys reading and playing piano. She is excited to have a leadership opportunity at PHPC.

“I look forward to helping others in this faith community.”