

Qualifications:

The qualifications for elder include appropriate spiritual gifts and calling, and are based on the qualifications outlined in 1 Timothy 3: 1-7:

- Active church membership, led by the example of Christ.
- Devotion to Jesus Christ, the word and prayer.
- Ability to communicate God's truth accurately with recognizable fruit of spiritual growth in the lives of others as a result.
- If married, devotion to their spouse and a healthy family life, discipline, wisdom and respectability.
- Elders shall be hospitable; free of addictions; gentle and peaceable; not greedy; continually growing in faith and authenticity; servant-minded; committed to God's will; fair and just; stable and persevering.

Elders Assist The Leadership Team:

- Spiritual watch care.
- Development of cc congregation.
- Humbly leading, teaching, guarding, guiding, healing, & confronting so that Christ may be glorified!
- You are a potential leader for various ministry teams or service opportunities based on gifting.
- Committed to lift up the needs of CC through Prayer Ministry.

Next Steps . . .

If you've been nominated...

- PRAY and DISCERN if God is calling you to walk through the process.
- The Nomination Team will contact you for an interview. REVIEW the By-Laws for a full description.
- LISTEN to see what God is saying through prayer, the community, and the Nomination Team.

If you are nominating...

- LOOK over the qualifications and PRAY about those who fit this description
- DISCUSS with other Elders or the Nominating Team
- FILL out the form and pray

***SEE CC BY-LAWS FOR FULL DESCRIPTION**

Elders

Am I an Elder?



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DEFINITION*

The Council of Elders is the body of those men and women from the congregation who have been recognized and affirmed by the congregation as having the spiritual maturity, wisdom, consistency of character, life experience, and devotion to Christ to serve as role models of the life we are called to in Christ and as spiritual shepherds to the people of Christ Church.

1 Timothy 3:2-7

Now the overseer is to be above reproach, faithful to his wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, 3 not given to drunkenness, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. 4 He must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him, and he must do so in a manner worthy of full[a] respect. 5 (If anyone does not know how to manage his own family, how can he take care of God's church?) 6 He must not be a recent convert, or he may become conceited and fall under the same judgment as the devil. 7 He must also have a good reputation with outsiders, so that he will not fall into disgrace and into the devil's trap.

WHAT IS REQUIRED OF AN ELDER?

- The Elder Council shall meet within a month of the Annual Meeting in order to select officers. They will then meet at least quarterly throughout the year.
- Regular gatherings for prayer, study, ministry to the congregation, or discussion may be established by the Elder Council with the approval of the Leadership Team.
- Special meetings may also be called by the Elder Council chair, including those called at the request of the senior pastor, the Leadership Team chair, or another Elder.
- Oversee Prayer Ministry.
- Responsible for Communion Ministry (serving and training).

There is no term length or limit on being an Elder. Eldership is a recognition by the congregation of character and importance to the life of our community. However, all term lengths and limits defined in these Bylaws for leadership and ministry positions apply to Elders serving in those positions.