

## 2017 Congregational Nominating Form

This year's Nominating Committee wishes to invite members and staff of Third Church to nominate candidates for the offices of elder, deacon and trustee. **As we trust the Spirit to move among and speak through the Body of believers, the committee will honor and prayerfully consider all nominations.**

- *Please begin by studying bible passages that delineate qualifications for elders/overseers and deacons found in **1 Timothy 3:2-13 and Titus 1:1-9.***
- Ask God to illuminate those people who may be biblically gifted and spiritually equipped for serving in one of the roles below. Candidates must be faithful believers, members of this church, and men and women marked by humility and a desire to serve.
- **Fill out and submit this form, online (to [andir@thirdrva.org](mailto:andir@thirdrva.org)) or in person to the office, on or before April 2.**

**For the office of Elder** – We have realigned our roles for elder this year. Nominations will be received for two elder roles:

- **Shepherding Elder** – Nominees should be persons not previously ordained to the office of elder at Third. They should be those who have demonstrated gifts to help others grow in their spiritual journey with Christ, to counsel in spiritual matters, and to explain the truths of the Scriptures. Nominations may be received for as many candidates as meet these qualifications.
- **Governing Elder** – Nominees will serve on the Session to help govern the church. Nominations must be from those already ordained as elder at Third (see attached list) and should be those you believe God has called to help make decisions guiding the church during their three year term of service.

**For the office of Deacon** – Nominees should be those who demonstrate gifts in care and service. Deacons should be able to stimulate care for one another in the church and help lead the congregation in our mission to those outside the church.

**For Trustees** – Nominees should demonstrate gifts in administration and management, able to attend to care and management of the facilities, our finances, and ensure security.

Thank you for your participation!

### ***The 2017 Nominating Committee***

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