

Prairie Lane Christian Reformed Church

A Family in Christ that Cares about You

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The church council is seeking nominations for elder and deacon and ask that you prayerfully consider who you believe to be a candidate for this important leadership role. We are seeking individuals who have qualifications outlined in I Timothy 3: 1-11 who share the vision of PLC as “a family in Christ that cares about you”. Please review the qualities below and consider nominating members for council to consider.

- 1. **Christlikeness.** (Ephesians 5:1-2, I Peter 2:21, I John 2:6)
Is the individual striving to become like Jesus?
- 2. **Prayer-full Decision Making.** (Philippians 4:6, Ephesians 6:18, James 5:16)
Does the individual demonstrate dependence on God through prayer?
- 3. **Maturity in the faith.** (I Timothy 3:1-14, I Timothy 4:12, Titus 1:5-9, II Peter 1:5-8)
Does the individual humbly submit to the authority of Scripture in both knowledge and actions?
- 4. **Love for Prairie Lane Church.** (Hebrews 10:23-25, Acts 2:42, I Peter 3:15)
Does the individual show love for Prairie Lane Church and its mission?
- 5. **Commitment to caring.** (Acts 2:42, Philippians 2:4, Ephesians 4:32)
Does the individual treat others with care and compassion, putting the interest of others before their own?
- 6. **Covenantal Minded.** (Apostles, Nicene, and Athanasian creeds, Heidelberg Catechism, Belgic Confession, and Canons of Dort)
Does the individual adhere to the creeds and confessions as the church’s official stance on Biblical beliefs?
- 7. **Unity orientated.** (Romans 12:4-8, I Corinthians 12:1-12)
Is the individual using the Spirit-led gifts to promote unity and encouraging others to do the same?

While some nominees may possess one of these qualities more than others, and while no one fully displays all of them, still they describe qualities of those who serve in church office. In our weakness let us be encouraged from the Scriptures where we read in Hebrews “*Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with every good thing to do His will. And may He accomplish in us what is pleasing in His sight through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever.*” Amen.”

Pastor Chad Van Ginkel

BELOW write your potential nominees for Council’s consideration.
Please tear off and place in the elder church box or hand to a council member by **Feb 14, 2021**

Deacon nominees

Elder Nominees

