

We are all called to be good stewards of our gifts in the Lord's service. It takes us all to lead our church, to serve and disciple and to transform a city. We are seeking those whom God has prepared to lead our congregation.

The officers and leaders of our Church, together with our Pastors and guided by our Lord Jesus Christ, shape the life, direction, and future of our church.

We seek NPC members who:

- demonstrate a deep love for Jesus Christ
- attend worship services regularly
- prayerfully contribute their treasure, time, and talent to the church
- are recognized by others in the church as proven leaders
- express ideas and opinions with spiritual maturity, intelligence, and insight, and listen graciously to the viewpoints of others
- are joyful and eager about serving the Lord and his church

Officer Responsibilities

Elders

- responsible for the governance, ministry, and spiritual life of the church
- provide leadership for worship, congregational care, outreach, and nurture
- assist the pastors in serving communion and with the chapel prayer ministry

Deacons

- care for the physical, spiritual and emotional needs of the congregation
- serve as a catalyst in a parish to strengthen relationships and support each other
- assist the pastors in serving communion and with the chapel prayer ministry

Trustees

- serve as stewards of the church's resources, accountable to the Session
- manage church finances; oversee church investments; and direct the maintenance, repair and security of NPC property

Nominating Committee Members

- responsible for recommending to the congregation a slate of nominees for Elders, Deacons, Trustees, and Nominating Committee members
- knowledgeable about NPC's standards for church leaders
- familiar with the needs/requirements of various ministries of NPC

Commitment

Serving as an Elder, Deacon or Trustee, or member of the Nominating Committee at NPC

represents a spiritual commitment

to serve our Lord and His church

by actively participating in

the work and mission

of NPC. Unless filling

an unexpired term, officers are

elected to a three-year term

(2007-2009). Session, Deacons and

Trustees meet approximately 15

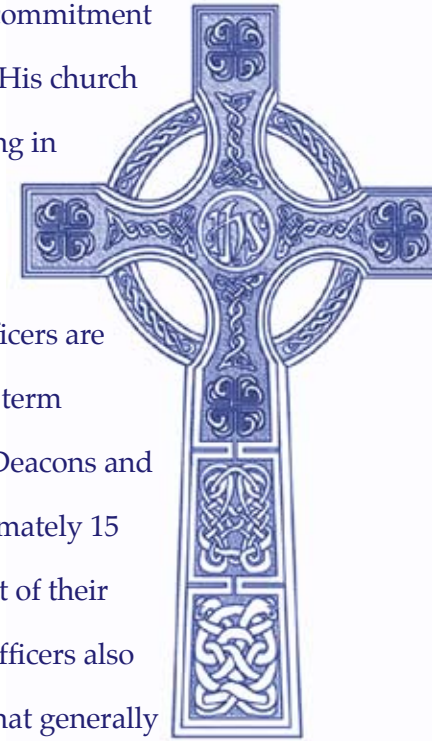
times per year. As part of their

leadership activities, officers also

serve on committees that generally

meet monthly. In addition, leaders may have

special duties throughout the year.



Seeking God's Servants

There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men.

— 1 Corinthians 12:4-6

We ask that you prayerfully reflect on this passage as you consider recommending someone.

In Scripture, we find the foundational guidelines for Christian leadership. In addition, our church has adopted standards to explain Scripture for those called to serve in positions of leadership. These standards are based on an affirmation of the Apostle's Creed and the Biblical Standards for Christian Leaders.

The Christian leader will demonstrate in lifestyle what is desirable in all believers -- the fruit of the spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Our leaders seek to illustrate a ministry of grace and service.

We seek individuals who are mature in their person and faith, who are confident in working in a group, who use power graciously, who possess a forgiving heart, and who are committed to the vision of NPC as it is unfolding.