

G-2.0102 Ordered Ministries



The Church's ordered ministries described in the New Testament and maintained by this church are deacons and presbyters (teaching elders and ruling elders).

Ordered ministries are gifts to the church to order its life so that the ministry of the whole people of God may flourish. The existence of these ordered ministries in no way diminishes the importance of the commitment of all members to the total ministry of the church.

The government of this church is representative, and the right of God's people to elect presbyters and deacons is inalienable. Therefore, no person can be placed in any ordered ministry in a congregation or council of the church except by election of that body.

Ordination to the ministry of teaching elder, ruling elder, or deacon is unique to that order of ministry.





G-3.0205 Finances



- In addition to those responsibilities described in G-3.0113, the session shall prepare and adopt a budget and determine the distribution of the congregation's benevolences. It shall authorize offerings for Christian purposes and shall account for the proceeds of such offerings and their disbursement. It shall provide full information to the congregation concerning its decisions in such matters.
- The session shall elect a treasurer for such term as the session shall decide and shall supervise his work or delegate that supervision to a board of deacons or trustees. Those in charge of various congregational funds shall report at least annually to the session and more often as requested. Sessions may provide by rule for standard financial practices of the congregation, but shall in no case fail to observe the following procedures:

TRUSTEES

G-3.0205 continued



- a. All offerings shall be counted and recorded by at least two duly appointed persons, or by one fidelity bonded person;
- b. Financial books and records adequate to reflect all financial transactions shall be kept and shall be open to inspection by authorized church officers at reasonable times;
- c. Periodic, and in no case less than annual, reports of all financial activities shall be made to the session or entity vested with financial oversight.

Trustee's Ministry

G-4.01 Incorporation and Trustees



G-4.0101 Incorporation and Power

Where permitted by civil law, each congregation shall cause a corporation to be formed and maintained. If incorporation is not permitted, individual trustees shall be elected by the congregation. Any such individual trustees shall be elected from the congregation's members in the same manner as those elected to the ordered ministries of deacon and ruling elder. Terms of service shall be governed by the provisions of G-2.0404.

The corporation so formed, or the individual trustees, shall have the following powers: to receive, hold, encumber, manage, and transfer property, real or personal, for the congregation, provided that in buying, selling, and mortgaging real property, the trustees shall act only after the approval of the congregation, granted in a duly constituted meeting; to accept and execute deeds of title to such property; to hold and defend title to such property; to manage any permanent special funds for the furtherance of the purposes of the congregation, all subject to the authority of the session and under the provisions of the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). The powers and duties of the trustees shall not infringe upon the powers and duties of the session or the board of deacons.

In order to be elected as a trustee by the congregation, the individual must be a member of the church.



The Meaning: Worship

- Call to Worship
- Invocation
- Prayer of Confession
- Absolution
- Offertory
- Prayer of Illumination
- Prayer of the People
- Altar Call
- Benediction

Prayer

- Adoration
- Confession
- Thanksgiving
- Supplication



Sacraments

The Lord's Super



Baptism





Questions & Answers

- Next Step: Grace Officers Installation/Ordination on Sunday, March 12, 2023

Evaluation and Questions

Resources



- Biblegateway.com
- Book of Order (download free from pcusa.org)
- Free online courses: Teachers, Leaders, Disciples...call 1-800-728-7228 x5166 for PC(USA) login number or register at odts.net or openingdoortodiscipleship.com
- <http://apps.pcusa.org/tenyeartrends/report/287/>
- <http://www.pcusa.org/navigation/whoweare.htm>
- Baltimorepresbytery.org
 - Resources
 - Elder Training
 - Videos: February Grant Writing
 - Upcoming every 3rd Thursday 7pm-8 pm on Zoom
- Pcusa.org
- YouTube.com
 - Officer Training
 - Elders
 - Deacons

Here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that you're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross





20 Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, 21 to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

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