

NOMINATIONS

Linking the people of the church
with opportunities to serve
church, community and world.

PRAIRIE TO PINE REGIONAL COUNCIL



Prairie to Pine Regional Council: Opportunities to Share your Talents & Interests in 2024 – 2025

Put your passion into action! Where is God calling you to share your gifts with the wider church for the sake of Christ's ministry in Prairie to Pine? Scroll right down for all the many opportunities and explanations! All of these opportunities have further information at www.prairietopinerc.ca

GENERAL COUNCIL 45 COMMISSIONERS

Do you want to be part of a vibrant national community that discerns and acts on decisions for the whole church?

Do you want to be immersed in the wider United Church in all its diversity and complexity?

Are studying documents and preparing for online meetings and one big in person meeting commitments you can make?

Commissioners prepare diligently by reviewing the information supplied to participate fully in the online and in-person sessions of General Council. They will serve for three years, starting from the convening of General Council in June 2025 until the beginning of the next General Council (2028). Being a Commissioner is a significant commitment of both time and energy that is also enriching and faith-deepening, and will teach you a lot about this United Church of ours. We are a diverse church, and our Regional Council's Commissioners will need to reflect this.

[Click here for the job description!](#)

PROPERTY COMMISSION

Do you have a passion for helping churches make faithful decisions about property?

Are you detail-oriented and appreciate the value of a good policy?

Is your schedule flexible enough to accommodate urgent, last-minute meetings?

You can make a real difference on the Property Commission. This Commission oversees and makes decisions on various property-related matters in our Region – from supporting communities of faith looking to repurpose their buildings, to overseeing the maintenance of church cemeteries, to stewarding funds generated from property sales. This Commission typically meets electronically or by telephone, and sometimes needs to meet on short notice. Working with this Commission means you will get to know the buildings and land across the Region; you may even get to tour around.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Do you delight in connecting people with opportunities that will feed their spirits?

Do you want to help strengthen regional bodies for the sake of our common good?

Are you a ‘people person’ who enjoys making phone calls and chatting with folks?

The Nominations Committee has a spot with your name on it!

On Nominations, you will get to know the people of the Region and help match their gifts and passions with opportunities to serve the wider church. This committee gathers a slate of nominations for the officers of the Regional Council and its executive, commissions, committees, task groups, steering committees, and teams. It also provides nominations for unexpected vacancies or new positions which occur during the year. Only join this committee if you like to have fun and laugh a lot.

COMMITTEE ON LAY MINISTRY SUPPORT

Are you committed to strong and equipped lay leadership within the church?

Do you enjoy supporting people to develop and use their gifts to the fullest?

Are you a good listener and able to offer helpful and constructive feedback?

You’re a perfect fit for the Committee on Lay Leadership Support. This committee, offers ongoing oversight, support and leadership training for lay leaders serving the church. They interview Licensed Lay Worship Leaders and make recommendations to the Executive, as well as maintaining the Region’s list of Congregational Designated Ministers. This committee also provides training and assessment of Sacraments Elders and recommendations for their ongoing authorization.

COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY OF FAITH SUPPORT

Do you have a passion to see strong, healthy communities of faith across the region?

Would you like to connect ministries with the resources that will help them thrive?

Do you value church processes and policies for how they can support communities?

This committee is at the forefront of supporting communities of faith in their life and work. They receive and respond to self-assessment reports from ministries and connect them with

the people and resources that can help them thrive in their current context (e.g. United Fresh Start Facilitators, Growth Animators, Stewardship Specialists, handbooks and guideline documents, etc.). Committee members support communities of faith in structural changes, amalgamations, realignments, and disbanding; and recommend appropriate actions to the Executive. They provide encouragement and support to emerging new ministries and oversee the preparation of Community of Faith Covenants. This committee ensures accountability for communities of faith in completing regional and national church requirements and compliance with policies and polity. Those with experience of pastoral oversight processes or sexual misconduct prevention and response will find particular resonance on this committee.

PASTORAL RELATIONS LIAISONS

Would you like to support communities of faith during times of transition?

Do you enjoy helping folks understand church policies and how to apply them?

Are you looking for opportunities to share your gifts for short-term commitments?

You sound like a great fit as a Pastoral Relations Liaison!

Pastoral Relations Liaisons provide a bridge between communities of faith and the Regional Council. As a Liaison, you would touch base with a community of faith or ministry person in times such as discussions about the pastoral relationship, changes in pastoral relations, creating a community of faith profile, or throughout the search process. Support for Liaisons is provided by the Pastoral Relations Minister and the Pastoral Relations Commission.

THE REGIONAL MEETING PLANNING COMMITTEE 2024

Do you enjoy planning, organizing, and coordinating people and activities?

Do you prefer to work behind the scenes to keep things running smoothly?

Can you see the 'big picture' and figure out the steps to get there?

Then you will love working with the Regional Meeting Planning Committee!

This committee plans all aspects of the Regional Council electronic annual gathering scheduled for the evenings of October 10 & 17th, 2024, including registration, communications, theme, music, flow of the meeting, and worships.

You don't have to do it all yourselves, but you make sure it all gets done.

EQUITY AND DIVERSITY COMMITTEE

Do you think Two Spirit and LGBTQIA+ people are a vital part of our church?

Do you want to faithfully challenge beliefs and theologies that exclude people because of their identities?

Do you like PIE (Public, Intentional and Explicit) and want to help all our ministries work towards a PIE Affirming welcome?

Do you want to blend practical justice with a faithful commitment to many kinds of diversity? Look no further! The Equity and Diversity Committee is responsible for putting our Affirming Statement and Action Plan into action, all across the Regional Council and in its structures. Typically the committee meets monthly on Zoom, and hopes to meet in person from time to time. It also holds online space and occasional in-person meetings that gather the wider Affirming network of people and ministries all over SK, and connect with other Regions, the national church, Affirm United/ S'affirmer, and community partners and needs. A very wide range of diversity of identity, skills, and life experiences are key to this committee; in this work, you bring your whole self to the circle.

For more information, and if you'd like a conversation on any of these opportunities, please contact the Nominating committee at p2p.nominations@gmail.com
Our Nominations home base is on the Regional website: [click here to learn more](#).

Did you know: Your Nominations Committee estimates that our Regional Council governance has 110 positions! And that doesn't even count task groups, the Young Adults and Youth Committee, Networks, Clusters, and board members who serve our community partners.

Thank you to all the people, past, present, and future, who keep our Region active, committed, knowledgeable, and faithful. Thank you for serving this part of the Body of Christ.

**Committee descriptions developed with thanks to Living Skies Regional Council Nominations Committee!*



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