

Application to serve on Governing Board

Mission Statement:

¶ 120. *The Mission*-The mission of the Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. Local churches provide the most significant arena through which disciple-making occurs.

Purpose Statement:

Becoming Christ in the Community

Three-year goals:

- Implement a well-organized system of proactive and reactive congregational care ministries with trained volunteers specifically gifted to serve in care ministry.
- Remodel to enhance the hospitality and accessibility of our church.
- 75% of the membership will be actively using their spiritual gifts in service for the church, congregation or the community.
- 50% of members will regularly engage in a method of faith development beyond worship (CORE/small groups/classes).
- Establish a non-profit 501(c)3 extension of the church.
- Fully integrate a second worship site.

Members of the Governing Board (GB) are the key leaders of Bothell UMC. They assume responsibility on behalf of the faith community for the governance and financial oversight of the organization and its various programs. As stewards, they are committed to maintaining the health and viability of Bothell UMC now and for the future. Members are passionate advocates for the mission of the Church and help align the work of Bothell UMC with the mission and needs of the world.

Please respond to the following.

- Share your faith and calling story in Jesus.
- Why I feel called to serve on Governing Board.
- What passions do you hold that align with the mission, vision and purpose of Bothell UMC?

- In what order would you rank your gifts, graces, passions, and experience to match one of our three administrative teams that serve on GB?
Generosity, Personnel, Facilities

Timeline:

We will receive applications, from September 7th through October 1. Those who feel more comfortable with a verbal application may arrange one by calling the church at 425 486-7132. All applications will be reviewed by the Nominations team and applicants will be notified no later than October 10, 2017.

Job Description for Members of the Bothell UMC Governing Board

TITLE	Member, Bothell UMC GB
TERM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members may choose to serve for either a one or two-year term. • Members must reapply after serving a term. • Members may serve up to two consecutive terms. • Members must take a year off before applying to serve an additional term.
GOVERNANCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determine mission, vision, purpose, and overall strategies, policies and priorities • Ensure legal and ethical integrity and maintain accountability • Develop and maintain board governance policies and procedures • Approve new staff positions (as recommended by Personnel team) and budget required for such (as recommended by Generosity team). • Evaluate and strengthen programs and services for alignment with mission and purpose • Participate in the development of a GB Leadership Covenant and actively engage in supporting and holding fellow board members accountable in upholding this covenant. • Maintain COMPLETE confidentiality on all matters discussed (even from spouse/partner).
SUPPORT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financially support the ministries of GB through an estimate of giving card that is a pledge or moving intentionally toward a pledge. (a financial commitment form will be provided to incoming board members). • Serve as an ambassador between the community/local church/annual conference and Bothell UMC, sharing knowledge, needs, values, strengths, opportunities, and challenges. • Approve the Annual Budget and modifications to budget and non-budgeted financial transactions/allocations (as recommended by Generosity team).

INVOLVEMENT

- Regularly attend GB. GB meets 5-11 times a year.
- Beyond regular meetings, GB members can expect to spend additional time related to GB work (reading, research, phone calls, outreach to community, etc.).
- Be prepared BEFORE meetings by reading & studying all reports, agenda items, etc. provided prior to the meeting. Pray before prepping that we will know and seek God's will in all decisions we make.
- Serve on one team (Generosity, Facilities, Personnel), and attend one Bible Study or Small Group. Teams will meet additionally as needed. Some GB members may also serve on additional task forces or project groups as necessary.
- Attend selected Bothell UMC events and programs as a representative of GB.
- This board is accountable for the health of the church and must be free to question and challenge the Pastor and staff on any item discussed in order to fully understand any positions/discernment made. In doing so, our goal is to focus on the Mission and Vision of the Church.
- We are to be role models for the church congregation in generosity, attendance, parking, etc.

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Membership Expectations

Questions you will be asked during the church service:

1. Do you wish to be a disciple and follower of Jesus Christ?
2. Will you make this your church family, allowing the people of this church to love and care for you, as together we serve God with our prayers, presence, gifts, witness and service?

Membership has no privileges, just expectations which are: *Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service and Witness*

What you are committing to:

- To **pray** daily.
- To **worship** regularly, attending worship every weekend unless you are sick or out of town (members who travel out of town are encouraged to attend services in the location they are visiting).
- To **give** in proportion to your income, working toward the goal of giving a Biblical tithe.
- To **serve** others and help us live our purpose of “becoming Christ in the community”.
 - Every month give two hours in our community intentionally in service, and one hour within church.
- To **practice Christ in your life** by continuing to **grow** in your faith through participation in a small group study.
 - Participate in at least one activity each year aimed at helping you grow in your faith apart from worship attendance (Sunday school, CORE Groups, reading the Bible at home, retreats or other short-term classes we offer).