

2021 Leadership Directory

This is a directory of the Pastors, the Ruling Elders on the Session, the Board of Deacons, and the Board of Trustees of Gaithersburg Presbyterian Church (GPC). These spiritual leaders of GPC are elected by the congregation and ordained to serve in accordance with the PC(USA) Book of Order.

GPC Pastors/Teaching Elders

GPC has two pastors ordained to the role of Teaching Elder. Presbyterians select their own pastors, with the guidance and concurrence of presbytery.



Rev. Mary Austin
Senior Pastor



Rev. Mary Beth Lawrence
Associate Pastor

GPC Ruling Elders

GPC has 20 ruling elders, who discern and measure the congregation's fidelity to the Word of God, and strengthen and nurture its faith and life. Persons of wisdom and maturity of faith, with demonstrated leadership skills and being compassionate in spirit, they exercise government, leadership, spiritual discernment, and discipline and have responsibilities for the life of a congregation as well as the whole church, including ecumenical relationships. Ruling elders are elected to a 3-year term and must be members of GPC. Together, the three classes of elders form the Session.



Rosina Akuseon
At-Large



Theodore Farrand
Buildings and Grounds



Lucy Nzelle
Human Resources



David Allsopp
Buildings and Grounds



Grace Atanga Fuh
Vital Worship



Raymond Raven
Finance



Asenath Asang
Congregational Life



Ann Hayes
Assistant Stated Clerk



Keith Rush
Stewardship



Cynthia Cename
Equipping Disciples



Andy Imboden
Equipping Disciples



Arfan Azhar Sandhu
Digital Ministry



Vivian Ndohsiri Chefor
Community Engagement



Jean Kamba Kabangu
At-Large



Akiko Taketani
Equipping Disciples



Carol Vandrey Curtis
Communications



Johanna Möller
Nominating



Terry Young
Digital Ministry



Donna Dannels
Community Engagement



Grace Ndjongo
Nominating

Kay Penn – Stated Clerk of Session

Steven C. Ward – Treasurer

GPC Board of Deacons

GPC's deacons coordinate the various care ministries at GPC and minister to those in the community of faith who are sick, friendless, in need, and in distress. They also lead in worship by serving communion and perform other duties as delegated and assigned by the Session. Deacons are elected to a 3-year term, must be members of GPC, and are under the authority of the Session.



Jocelyne Amewu



Emma Afor Agwie Chunga



Kofi Amoa Kumi



Kevin Coit



Joyce Deppe



Marilyn Morrison



Patricia Cummings



Donna Gregory



Janis Rex

GPC Board of Trustees

GPC's trustees represent the congregation in legal matters. Trustees are elected to a 3-year term, must be members of GPC, and are subject to the authority of the Session.



Jerry Brown



Nancy Sanders



Francie Whitlock

