



Meet your Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) who were elected at the Annual Congregational Meeting on February 21, 2021

Patricia Christel: My family and I have been members at Red Clay since 2014 after we moved to Delaware. We were attracted to the friendly, open congregation, service mission, family and youth ministries, and beautiful historic church. My kids have been active in Vacation Bible School, musicals, and youth group, and my husband and I have volunteered with various activities. I previously served on the Designated Associate Pastor Nominating Committee and am currently serving on session. I am committed to supporting a thoughtful, inclusive process to identify a pastor who will help Red Clay on our journey to bring hope and inspiration to our congregation and the larger community.

Suzanne Courter-Jann: When I became a member in 2003, Red Clay felt like home. It reminded me of my childhood church in Media, PA where I was very active in the choir and youth group activities. I initially served on the Finance Committee for a few years. In 2008 I participated in the 50 hours of training to become a Stephen Minister and in 2009 I attended a week-long Leadership Training Course in TX. I am still one of the active leaders of the Stephen Ministry Program. I have served on Session (2015-2020) and on the Personnel Committee (2015-2021). While here at Red Clay I was introduced to the Friendship House program and have been blessed to help organize and serve at the Christmas Luncheons and picnics for the residents of the Women's Housing programs. Sitting at a table and sharing a meal with them and learning of their courageous stories has been amazing. Because of my involvement with Friendship House, I have participated on the Reach Committee.

I have been off of session for a year and my time on Personnel is drawing to a close with the election of the new classes of Elders and Deacons. Red Clay has continued to nurture my soul and become the extended family Media Presbyterian offered me as a child and young adult. I watched with awe as we trusted and built Founders Hall and the new Administration offices and classrooms. Like all of life, we have shared in the happy times, the joyous times, the times of heartbreak, grief and healing. Choosing our next installed Pastor is important to who we were, who we are now and who we want to become for each other and our children. I consider it an honor and a privilege to be part of the process. Thank you for your consideration and trust.

Mark Cozine: I have been a part of Red Clay Creek Presbyterian Church since 2005, member since 2012, and an Elder since 2013. I have served on Session and Chair of the Home Committee. I have also served as a member of the Mission to Maine planning committee, the Lawton Trust committee, the Home committee, and a number of other RCCPC teams, projects, and events. I look forward to representing my family, my peer group, and my church on the Pastor Nominating Committee to find a Pastor that ministers to all of us.

Marcia Kelly: I became a member of Red Clay in 1995. I have been very active over the last 26 years and have given my time, talent, and treasure without hesitation. In 1998 I became a Ruling Elder and served as the Moderator of Worship and Music, now known as Rejoice. Once I completed my term on Session, I remained active on the committee by participating in communion prep, as a communion server, usher, liturgist, and chair of the Advent decoration subcommittee. I began serving on the Home Committee during construction of Founders' Hall and was actively involved in decisions concerning the finishes and furnishings of the space. Upon completion of the space, I chaired the committee responsible for rentals and other usage of the space. In 2015 I returned to the role of Ruling Elder and became the Moderator of Rejoice once again. During this term I was asked to join the Transition Team and became moderator of that team. I designed and oversaw the creation of the Chapel. I continue to be a member of the Home Committee and most recently have been involved in the planning and implementation of the demolition of the old Manse.

I am dedicated to and have great love for RCCPC. I believe that we, the members, can achieve great things at this place, at this time. Identifying the right person to become our Pastor and to guide us forward is an awesome responsibility that I take very seriously. I am very excited to be involved in this process.

Lynn Moffett: I have been part of Red Clay since 1999. I've served as both a Stephen Minister and Stephen Leader, a member of the last IPNC, and I play the flute and sing with Lauda. I'm currently serving on the Lawton Trust Committee, on Session as an Elder and as the Chairperson/Session Liaison for REACH, and helping to plan for the 300th birthday celebration of our congregation.

Serving on this PNC is important to me because of what Red Clay means to me. It has been a safe place to learn and grow as God's child, a place where I am loved and accepted, and where the people I meet become sisters and brothers. My hope and my prayer is that others will find what I have found, and that Red Clay will be connected with a spiritual guide, teacher, and leader who can foster that discovery.

Linda Neel: Attending RCCPC since 2008, I have served several terms as Elder (6 years as

Reach Chair, 1 year as Community Partners Chair). I have participated in the Wednesday Bible Zoom, the Contemplative Prayer group, and very much enjoyed mentoring 3 confirmands. I also served as chair for the purchase and furnishing of the Elizabeth House for Friendship House.

Working on the current Mission Study Team and facilitating one of the ReVision groups was interesting work that helped me to see what are our congregation's hopes were for the future.

Serving on the Pastor Nominating Committee will be an interesting, challenging and exciting process. Interviewing candidates who will be a good "fit" for our loving, committed, generous congregation is an awesome responsibility but one I promise to take seriously.

Bill Sharp: I have been a part of Red Clay for 25 years—my children have all grown up at RCCPC and my wife Carrie and I are active members. I've served as a member of the bell choir, past member of the worship and music committee, past teacher of senior high Sunday school and mentor/teacher for confirmation classes. Last year, I was a member of one of the re-Vision small groups.

It is exciting to have an opportunity to provide input on who our next pastor will be and I look forward to working with others to consider the spiritual needs of our congregation and do our best to help fulfill those by being part of the PNC process.



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