York First Church of the Brethren
Position Descriptions for Leadership and Ministry Team members for the November 1, 2026 Congregational Forum

The new members called at the November Congregational Forum will be eligible to serve two-year terms beginning in 2027.

***Annual Conference Delegate** – Serves a 1-year term; Must be a church member in good standing - **Annual Conference 2027 Location: Daytona Beach, FL**

***District Conference Delegate** – Serves a 1-year or 2-year term
District Conference 2027 Location: Greencastle, PA

***Moderator** – The official head of the congregation, presides at Congregational Forums and serves as vice chair of the Leadership Team. Must be a church member in good standing
Current: Jay Crist

***Clerk** – Keeps accurate minutes of Congregational Forums and Leadership Team meetings. Must be a church member in good standing
Current: Eric Miller

Child Development Center (CDC) Ministry Team – Oversees the mission of the CDC as an outreach of the church in a Christian setting; partners with the congregation, staff and families to provide a safe and nurturing environment where children are provided a foundation for lifelong learning and emotional intelligence.
Current members: Dianne Hollinger, Pam Baldwin, Patricia Carey, Barry Stehr, Deb Klinedinst, Christine Wuhrman, Bethany Miller, Barry Hollinger, Dr. Mactavia Hoody – Parent Rep.

Education Ministry Team – Provides opportunities and resources for study (classes/small groups) that will encourage all ages to grow in faith and understanding of the Bible and Jesus
Current members: Jill McCracken, Michele Gibbel, Brianna Herbst, Michelle Sauder

Facility Care MinistryTeam – Maintains the church building properties to facilitate the effective use toward the congregation's mission, vision, and goals.
Current members: Dave Witkovsky, Steve Hoover, Robert Drawbaugh, Sheldon Markel, Roy Rollman, Jay Crist, John Gibble, Jason Wolf, Barry Stehr Barry Hollinger (Ernie Sauder and Debra Lewis ex-officio members)

Facility Use Committee – Evaluates and oversees use of the facility by groups inside and outside of the church.
Current members: Barry Hollinger, Steve Hoover, Jason Wolf

Fellowship & Hospitality MinistryTeam – Assists the congregational in creating environments for caring relationships among members and friends, and seeing that visitors are welcome and assimilated into the life of the church.
Current members: Ruoxia Li, Jason Wolf, Connie Wingard, Cheryl Weyant, Jayne Baldwin, Jeanette Brickner, Alicia Weyant, Michelle Sauder, Rebecca Wolf, Dan Snook, Alex Leair

Finance Ministry Team – Oversees and administers the corporate stewardship of the resources of the congregation.

Current members: Greg Klinedinst, Jay Crist, Arlene Martin, Roy Rollman, Sheryl Leaman – Treasurer

Gifts Discernment Team – Oversees the gifts discernment process within the congregation; serves as a consultative group to the church leadership in calling out persons for leadership

Current members: Cheryl Weyant, Loretta Bachman

Pastoral Support Team – Meet with the pastor(s) to provide emotional, spiritual, and practical care, fostering personal growth and accountability.

Staff Relations Team – Meet with and consult with staff, assist with their evaluation, recruit people to church professions.

Current members: Patricia Carey, Eric Miller, Diane Gibble, Dave Witkovsky

Witness Ministry Team – Direct the congregation to witness to the world through sharing the Good News, ecumenical relations, missions, justice and social action and ministry to those in need (i.e. Food Pantry, Soup Kitchen, district and denominational ministries and outreach)

Current members: Cheryl Weyant, Angie Robinson, Sarah Markey, Diane Gibble

Worship Ministry Team – In collaboration with the pastor, implements meaningful and creative worship experiences utilizing a variety of worship forms to enable all to grow in faith

Current members: John Gibble, Rebecca Soyke, Diane Gibble, Donna Lerew (Becca Miller and Rebecca Wolf are ex-officio members)

Deacons – Care for the spiritual, physical and emotional well-being of the congregation; assists with church ordinances – communion, anointing, Love Feast, etc.

Current members: Jeff & Melanie Miller, John & Diane Gibble, Deb & Greg Klinedinst, Sarah Markey, Lyn & Ralph Miller, Marty Reigle, Kevin Wingard, Kim Witkovsky

*Only those serving as church officers (e.g. Moderator, Clerk) and the Conference Delegates are required to be members of the congregation. Other roles as team members do not require church membership to serve.

We appreciate your prayerful discernment of these suggested candidates for the open leadership roles. If you are unable to complete this form during the August 23 Congregational Forum, please take it with you and return it to the church office (or email your suggestions to Karen Bowman) no later than Sunday, August 31. If you are interested in serving, please feel free to nominate yourself to a particular team or role. Thank you!