

I have been out of town on vacation and wanted to make sure some information was communicated regarding our Church Conference. As a reminder, each year we have a Church Conference to reflect on the last year, hear our goals for the upcoming year, set the salaries for the pastors, elect leaders, and more. Also, we do this as a *Church* Conference rather than a *Charge* Conference because the Charge Conference only allows the elected chairs of committees to vote. In a Church Conference, all members of the church may vote. Our Church Conference will take place on November 6th at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

As I mentioned a moment ago, we will be electing new leaders to our various committees at the Church Conference. This is the work of the Nominations Committee. ***We need your help finding nominees!*** On Sunday, September 29th, we will have a nominations form in our bulletin. If you would like to nominate yourself for one of our committees, please fill that form out, and return it either to me or to the office. Additionally, we also have a form available on our website at <https://www.catalinamethodist.org/get-involved/>. There, you can also nominate yourself. Or, if you know someone who might be a good fit for one of our committees, there is also the option to let us know by filling out a form for them.

When I came to Catalina, I was told that when we used nomination forms in the past, that people sometimes never heard back from the Nominations Committee. I will make sure that we communicate back about every form we receive. That said, due to committee structures, openings, or lack thereof, we may not be able to accommodate every person's desire to serve on a particular committee. But, the committee will do its best to accommodate your desires. Whether there is an opening or not, someone will contact you about your form once we have completed our work.

Again, I encourage you to fill out a form either in worship or online. We are greatly in need of some help in our work for staffing the committee positions. Thank you ahead of time for your prompt response!