

National Capital Presbytery

Minister Commissioner to 2012 General Assembly

Nomination Form

Revised June 2011

This form has been developed following G-4.0400 Diversity and Inclusiveness, to help the Nominating Committee give full expression to the rich diversity within our presbytery.

Date: September 7, 2011		
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Year of Ordination: 2006	Year your church was last represented by a Commissioner at GA: 2006	
Previous Commissioner To GA? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If Yes, what year?	What Presbytery?

Age Range:

26-35
 36-64
 65+

Gender: F M

Racial Ethnic Identity:

Asian-American (AA)
 African-American (AfrA)
 Hispanic/Latino (H/L)
 Middle Eastern (ME)
 Native American (NA)
 Caucasian (C)
 Other (O)

Do you require special accommodations of any type? Y N If Yes, what kind

In the past two years, how often have you attended Presbytery meetings? ** Often.
Local Church Responsibilities (Past and Present) ** Associate Pastor
Presbytery Responsibilities (Past and Present) ** On MCC, co-chair of College Ministry Team, Presbyterian Youth Workers Group, Presbytery Christian Educators group.
Other Governing Body Responsibilities (Past and Present) ** Urban Ministry Clergy Group (started 12 years ago out of the Urban Ministries Office at PCusa)
Special skills, knowledge, expertise in relevant areas and computer competency ** Competant in computer skills, worship leadership and preaching, Christian Education, Urban ministry, family ministry, Youth Crisis care, community organizing

Community Involvement (Name no more than three)** Washington Interfaith Network (WIN), Community Club at NYA,
Neighborhood Daycare assistant (Funshine Preschool)

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NCP selects its delegates to represent the diversity of theological opinion present among us. Recognizing that each of the statements in the couplets below may be true, please place two numbers within each of the 4 sections: Place a 1 before the statement with which you most agree. Assign a 2 or 3 or 4 before the statement with which you least agree, with 4 indicating the least agreement. Add comments if necessary.

Rating Number	Theological Statement
2	The Kingdom of God is realized as individuals develop a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.
1	The realm of God is most often realized in the believing community's witness to and participation in the advancement of social justice in the world. Comments:**
2	It is vitally important to affirm that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.
1	To follow the teachings of Jesus is the most important witness to faith. Comments:**
1	The Scriptures, given under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, are nevertheless the words of humans, conditioned by the cultural and historical context in which they were written. The Spirit continually reforms our understanding of them.
3	The Scriptures, given under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, are definitive for how we should live, and we ignore their explicit instructions at our peril. Comments:**
4	The goal of evangelism is to save people from eternal punishment.
1	The goal of evangelism is to offer individuals a place/role in the believing community, which exemplifies God's reconciling love and acceptance. Comments:**

Share with the committee what you believe are the key theological issues currently facing the church and society, and how they shape your experience in the church.** Facing our church: 1. Bible Study: being able to engage with one another in Bible Study so that we are drawn closer to God and not further apart from one another; Facing our church and society: 2. The church's relevance in society today: The way we tend to argue with one another tends to mirror some of the arguments we may see in our own governments ability to move forward. Many may see we have a conundrum of possibilities if the same is happening in the church. But the church is a witness to resurrection and therefore the possibility and power of reconciliation and new life. Can we show the reconciliation of God, through Christ, to our culture out of the arguments? Facing our society: 3. For the church, being the body of Christ, to be a prophetic witness of action in the face of growing poverty.

Please share why you want to represent National Capital Presbytery at the General Assembly** I have a big heart for my church, the PCUSA. I am committed to our denomination as we continue to shift and discern and obey. My perspective is one that is born and bred as a presbyterian through a lens of urban ministry in presence, action, and faith. I have been in a very exciting congregation of growth and development as over the 10 years we see more and more young adults and families returning to the church in the city.

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A commissioner to the General Assembly recognizes the importance of the following responsibilities and is willing to accept each.

- Attendance at preparatory meetings and briefings. Yes

- Attendance and participation in the General Assembly in its entirety. Yes
- Report to and be a resource within the Presbytery following the General Assembly, and be available for two years thereafter for interpreting and assisting in the implementation of actions taken at the General Assembly. Yes
- Serve for two years on the NCP Bills and Overtures Committee. Yes
- Able to use computer before and during GA. Yes

Signature of Nominee: (Type name if submitting electronically) Tara Spuhler McCabe
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Please return to Nominating Committee Chair, Betty Douglass, ebdouglass@verizon.net or
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Please provide your picture either digitally or by hard copy

Nomination Deadline: September 30, 2011

Date Received