

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

During 2025 and 1st quarter 2026, Nominations met on several occasions to address vacancies and fill positions. The challenge of finding individuals willing to serve continues, however, when we least expect it, Spirit works as Spirit does and a call or email comes in saying “Yes” to our call to serve. We are most grateful for all of these “Yes’s” and even the “No’s” as we know they’ve come after much discernment.

Once again, this year, we are experiencing a number of positions that are or will be vacant, and this is especially so with Chair & Secretary positions on our committees. Our hope would be that in the future, committees would be selecting, especially the next Chair, from within the committee itself. This allows Nominations to fill the vacancy behind them with someone that is willing to join a committee and become familiar with the work required. Again, this year, the number of members ending their 2nd term is high resulting in significant vacancies. Our approach:

- We are proactively connecting with those ending 2nd terms in hope they will consider a new term on another committee.
- An announcement will be shared via the Region website in May.
- We hope the COF’s across FSLDW will carry an announcement that may stir a person in the pews to put their name forward.

We are beyond blessed in Fundy St. Lawrence Dawning Waters that so many people put their names forward to serve. Your commitment to your committees, the region and the church does not go unnoticed and is so appreciated.

I want to thank our Regional Staff for everything they do to support our committee and all committees of the Region. You are incredible people doing amazing work.

I extend my sincere gratitude to those who serve on our Nominations Committee including Nathan Zwicker, Elizabeth Stevenson, Audrey Louder, Erasmus Madimbu and Gneid Lackey. Thank you for your hard and heart work on this committee and the many places you serve the church. You are an amazing and fun group of people with whom to do the work of the church and the Holy Spirit!

Finally, I will leave you the reader of this report with a question; **Who do you know that could share their gifts and talents and are not currently serving on a Region Committee? Imagine how awesome it would be if each one of you provided one name to our committee to explore; we would be most grateful! Please send their name & email address along to me directly at tfriars@outlook.com. Thank you in advance!**

Respectfully,
Tracy Friars, Chair