

Nominating Committee
Report to the 41st General Assembly



Susan Humphreys
Chairman

Summary of Work, 2020-2021:

1. Nomination of Moderator and Moderator-elect for 2021.
2. Review of committee vacancies.
3. Nominations for permanent committees.
4. Follow-up on finalizing slate of nominees.

Recommendations to the 2021 General Assembly:

1. Recommendation 41-01:

That the General Assembly elect TE Brad Strait as Moderator of the 41st EPC General Assembly.

2. Recommendation 41-04:

That the 41st General Assembly elect the slate of nominees for the 41st EPC General assembly permanent committees, standing committees, and boards.

3. Recommendation 41-25:

That the 41st General Assembly elect RE Rosemary Lukins as Moderator-elect of the 41st EPC General Assembly.

Work of the Committee in 2020-2021:

The Nominating Committee works year-round encouraging members of each Presbytery to apply for permanent committee positions.

The committee met on March 12, 2021, via video conference to review committee vacancies and work on filling the slate to present to the 41st General Assembly. Many of the nominees were contacted the day of the meeting and further contacts were conducted by email.

The committee would like to thank the staff of the Office of the General Assembly for their great support, especially Zenaida Bermudez for her administrative support, Assistant Stated Clerk Jerry Iamurri for his guidance, Stated Clerk Jeff Jeremiah for his insight and advice, and Stated Clerk-elect Dean Weaver for his dedication to “learning the process” and advice to the committee.

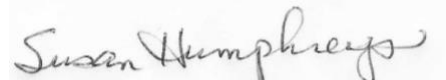
Committee Members:

RE Susan Humphreys (Chairman), Presbytery of Mid-America
RE John Adamson, Presbytery of the Central South
RE Brian Altmeyer, Presbytery of the Alleghenies
RE Henry Beck, Presbytery of the Gulf South
RE Jan Bole, Presbytery of the West
RE Marian Bradshaw, Presbytery of the Rivers and Lakes
TE Larry Carlson, Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest
TE Alan Conrow, Presbytery of the Midwest
TE Bill Dudley, Presbytery of the Southeast
TE Wayne Hardy, Presbytery of the Great Plains
RE Joe McCoy, Presbytery of the Mid-Atlantic
TE David Ricketts, Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest
TE Juan Rivera, Presbytery of Florida and the Caribbean
RE Alan Smith, Presbytery of the East

Committee Meeting Dates:

March 12, 2021: Video conference

Respectfully submitted,


Susan Humphreys, Chairman

June 2021

**Nominee for Moderator of the 41st General Assembly
TE Brad Strait**



Dr. Brad Strait is Lead Pastor at Cherry Creek Presbyterian Church in Englewood, Colorado. He has more than 30 years of pastoral experience, and also teaches at Denver Theological Seminary in both Leadership and Spiritual Formation. His passion is to exhort people toward a deeper relationship with the living, incarnational Jesus—especially as it applies to prayer, missional living, and world Christianity. His doctoral work was in developing *Spiritual Intimacy with God and Others*.

Brad's energetic faith pushes through the cracks of real life: he was a grief counselor on scene after the Columbine High School shooting in 1999, the Aurora Theater tragedy in 2012, and the 2004 tsunami in south India. He has taught the Bible around the world and worked with the poor in refugee camps of Central America, South America, Africa, and Asia. He also has served as Chaplain for the Colorado House of Representatives, the Denver Rescue Mission, and several police and fire departments. He has chaired the EPC's permanent Ministerial Vocation Committee and was part of the team that produced the *EPC Leadership Training Guide: A Resource for Pastors, Elders, and Churches*.

He has been married to his wife, Cathy, for 39 years. His three daughters and three granddaughters are his treasure and cheering section. His stories of spiritual life can be found at bradstrait.com.

Nominee for Moderator-elect of the 41st General Assembly RE Rosemary Lukens

A Ruling Elder for Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church (CHPC) in Gig Harbor, Washington, Rosemary Lukens is an Executive Coach with extensive leadership development experience in health care and nonprofit organizations. Among her areas of professional expertise are coaching and consulting with individual developmental planning; conflict reconciliation; leadership development for teams and individuals; program and curriculum development; and workshop, meeting, and classroom facilitation.



For the past 18 years she has helped a diverse array of physicians, executive leaders, managers, and their staff members with relationships, strategy, and goal setting. She also has assisted such non-profit organizations as hospitals, physician groups, city governments, universities, and churches adopt practices and build cultures that appreciate and embrace change, improve performance, and optimize talent.

Lukens is a Registered Nurse by training and holds a Bachelor of Science in Sociology from the University of Puget Sound and a Master of Arts in Applied Behavioral Science with a specialty in Coaching and Consulting in Organizations from Bastyr University's Leadership Institute of Seattle.

She holds certifications in the Conflict Dynamics Profile from the Center for Dynamics; Crucial Conversations from VitalSmarts, Inc.; The Harrison Assessment (Levels I & II) from Harrison Assessments International; the DISC Index from Innermetrix, Inc.; Benchmarks 360 from the Center for Creative Leadership; Coaching for Development from the Center for Creative Leadership; the Kolb Learning Style Inventory from the Hay Group; and the Mayer, Salovey, Caruso Emotional Intelligence Test (MSCEIT) from Multi-Health Systems, Inc.

In addition to being a Ruling Elder, she serves CHPC as a certified Spiritual Director, Lay Counselor, and Leadership Coach/Consultant. She is a member of the EPC's National Leadership Team (NLT) and was a member of the Stated Clerk Search Committee. She also serves as a volunteer board member with VitalChurch Ministries.

She is married to David Lukens, DO, and they have 3 children, 7 grandchildren, and 3 "adopted" grandchildren.

Slate of Nominations—Permanent Committees and Boards

Some nominees had not confirmed acceptance of their nomination at press time and will be announced at the 41st General Assembly.

Note: ^second term; *pending Session or Presbytery endorsement

Benefit Resources Inc. Board of Directors

Class of 2024	TE Eric Shipton	Mid-Atlantic
Class of 2024	Michael Moore [^]	Central South
Class of 2024	TE Bill Reisenweaver [^]	Florida and the Caribbean

Chaplains Work and Care Committee

Class of 2024	RE Ben Brychta	Southeast
Class of 2024	RE Darrell DeHaven	Pacific Northwest
Class of 2024	TE Russ Ragon	West

Fraternal Relations Committee

Class of 2023	TE Stan Van Den Berg	Great Plains
Class of 2024	RE Carol Culbertson [^]	West
Class of 2024	TE Don Fortson [^]	Mid-Atlantic

Generosity Resources Committee

Class of 2024	TE Ben Borsay [^]	Midwest
Class of 2024	TE Rus Howard [^]	Rivers and Lakes

Ministerial Vocation Committee

Class of 2024	TE Joe Kim	East
Class of 2024	TE Rachel White	Pacific Northwest

National Leadership Team

Class of 2024	RE Mark Buntz	Great Plains
Class of 2024	RE Linda McDaniel	West
Class of 2024	TE Neil Smith	East
Class of 2024	RE John Ivy	Central South

Next Generation Ministries Council

Class of 2024	Greg Aydt [^]	West
Class of 2024	Meg DeHaven [^]	East
Class of 2024	TE Andrew Mills [^]	Gulf South

Nominating Committee

Class of 2024	TE Joshua Hurd	Pacific Northwest
Class of 2024	RE Ann Weston	Mid-America
Class of 2024	RE Joe McCoy [^]	Mid-Atlantic
Class of 2024	TE David Ricketts [^]	Pacific Southwest
Class of 2024	TE Jeff Chadwick	Southeast

Permanent Judicial Commission

Class of 2024	RE Amanda Cowan^	Florida and the Caribbean
Class of 2024	RE Brain Wyatt	Pacific Southwest
Class of 2024	RE Forest Norman	Alleghenies

Presbytery Review Committee

Class of 2024	RE Jane Bodden^	Florida and the Caribbean
Class of 2024	RE Bill Myers	Pacific Southwest

Theology Committee

Class of 2024	RE Carol Williams	Alleghenies
Class of 2024	TE Cameron Shaffer^	East

World Outreach Committee

Class of 2024	TE Rick Dietzman^	Pacific Northwest
Class of 2024	RE Susan Lear^	Great Plains
Class of 2024	RE Wes Peterson^	Mid-Atlantic

Standing Committee Assignments

Standing Committee assignments are made by the Nominating Committee following the deadline for General Assembly registration. These pages will be posted on www.epc.org/ga2021documents following the Nominating Committee’s June meeting.