

Bylaws

Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Arkansas

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this organization shall be Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Arkansas. The following acronyms shall be used throughout this document:

- PW – Presbyterian Women
- PWP – Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery
- PCT – Presbytery Coordinating Team

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

Forgiven and freed by God in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves:

- to nurture our faith through prayer and Bible study,
- to support the mission of the church worldwide,
- to work for justice and peace, and
- to build an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and witnesses to the promise of God's kingdom.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

Members of Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Arkansas shall be all women within the Presbytery who choose to participate in or be supportive of PWP in any way.

ARTICLE IV – COORDINATING TEAM ELECTION AND TERMS FOR LEADERS

Section 1. The election and installation of leaders shall be at the business meeting of Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery held in conjunction with the annual Gathering. All members of Presbyterian Women attending the annual Gathering shall be entitled to vote.

The leaders shall form a Coordinating Team for conducting the business of Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery which shall meet a minimum of two times per year.

Section 2. The Coordinating Team shall present names of women to be elected to the PCT to the members of Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery at the annual Gathering of PWP. Elected members of PWP shall be members of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Section 3. The leaders of PW in the Presbytery shall be: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer, Historian, Mission Coordinator, Cluster Leaders, and Members-at-Large as the Coordinating Team sees the need.

Section 4. Leaders shall be elected in alternating years for terms of two years. The Treasurer, although elected at the annual Gathering, will assume office on January 1 of the following year. In the event a leader is unable to complete her term of office, the Moderator shall appoint a person to fulfill the unexpired term.