

Key to Presbytery of Florida Acronyms and Abbreviations

- BF&S** **Budget, Finance & Stewardship Team (also BFS)**
BF&S is responsible for budget and fiscal control, property management and promotion of responsible stewardship.
- CMST** **Congregational Mission Support Team (formerly the Church Development and Evangelism and Compassion and Social Justice Committees)**
CMST is responsible for but not limited to strengthening and supporting churches, planning opportunities for leadership development, leading the presbytery in transformation and revitalization opportunities, evangelism and developing ways for networking and connecting ministries, missions and resources among its churches.
- CP** **Coordinating Presbyter (formerly the Executive Presbyter)**
The Presbytery's CP/Head of Staff provides coordination, administration, and communication to promote the ministry and mission of the Presbytery of Florida.
- CRE** **Commissioned Ruling Elder (formerly Commissioned Lay Pastor)**
A CRE is a ruling elder whom the presbytery has commissioned to limited pastoral service as assigned by the presbytery. (Book of Order G-2.1001)
- CRT** **Commitment to Representation Team (formerly the Committee on Representation and Nominating Committee)**
CRT is responsible for the nomination process for elected positions for the presbytery, giving due consideration to diversity, geographical, and theological positions consistent with the reformed tradition.
- DWA** **Dogwood Acres**
The DWA team is responsible for all matters relating to short- and long-term planning, management, development, operations and programs connected with Dogwood Acres in conjunction with the short- and long-term goals for the presbytery that are recommended by Presbytery Leadership Team and adopted by the presbytery.
- DP&R** **Disaster Preparedness & Response Team**
DP&R is responsible for all matters relating to the preparation, mitigation, response and recovery from a disaster (natural, human-caused, or other) within, but not limited to, the bounds of the presbytery; especially one that affects one or more congregations.
- HAE** **Hunger Action Enabler**
The HAE leads the presbytery and its churches in addressing needs and issues in the five areas of the Presbyterian Hunger Program (PHP): Lifestyle Integrity, Education and Interpretation, Public Policy, Development Assistance and Direct Food Relief.
- OGHS** **One Great Hour of Sharing Offering**
OGHS supports Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program and Self Development of People and is received by most congregations on Easter Sunday, Passion/Palm Sunday or both, although some receive it throughout Lent.
- MIF** **Ministry Information Form (formerly CIF – Church Information Form)**
Form available online via PC(USA)'s Church Leadership Connection System, whereby churches, presbyteries, synods, seminaries and other partner institutions may provide information about positions they seek to fill.

- MT** **Ministry Team (formerly COM – Committee on Ministry)**
The MT is composed of ½ teaching elders and ½ ruling elders to guide the presbytery’s teaching elders, commissioned ruling elders (CRE) and Christian Educators.(Book of Order G-3.0307)
- PJC** **Permanent Judicial Commission**
The Presbytery’s PJC is composed of equal numbers of teaching and ruling elders plus one of either and acts as a court of appeal from sessions and exercises original jurisdiction in disciplinary cases against minister members of the presbytery (Book of Order D-5.0000)
- PIF** **Personal Information Form**
Form available online via PC(USA)’s Church Leadership Connection System, whereby teaching elders who are seeking a call or not actively seeking but open to a call may provide information about their current, past and desired ministries.
- PLT** **Presbytery Leadership Team (formerly the Presbytery Council)**
The PLT is responsible for engaging in ongoing shaping and reshaping the life and mission of the presbytery by being responsive to the changing needs of the presbytery, the community and the world.
- PMT** **Preparation for Ministry Team (formerly CPM – Committee on Preparation for Ministry)**
PMT provides care, guidance and oversight for inquirers and candidates who are preparing to become ministers. (Book of Order G-3.0307)
- RE** **Ruling Elder**
A RE is a member of a congregation chosen by the congregation to discern and measure its fidelity to the Word of God and to strengthen and nurture its faith and life. (Book of Order G-2.0301)
- SC** **Stated Clerk of the Presbytery**
The Stated Clerk, who must be a ruling elder or teaching elder, is elected for a definite term by the council to record the council’s transactions, keep its rolls of membership and attendance, maintain any required registers, preserve its records and furnish extracts of them when required by another council of the church. (Book of Order G-3.0104)
- SDOP** **Self Development of People Team**
SDOP is responsible for the administration, interpretation, and implementation of the Self-Development of People Program of the Presbyterian Church (USA) within the Presbytery, in accordance with the mandate and criteria set forth by the 181st General Assembly.
- TE** **Teaching Elder**
A TE, also called a minister of the Word and Sacrament, is committed to teaching the faith and equipping the saints for the work of ministry in a variety of ministries, as authorized by the presbytery; those called to a particular congregation are called “pastors”. (Book of Order G-2.0501)