



## **2020 Young Adult Commission Application**

### **Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)**

The Young Adult Commission seeks to connect members ages 18 to 35 of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) across regions, constituencies, and the general church. Nine members serve on the Commission in staggered, three-year terms. Central to our mission is the belief that young adults are not a group that is separate from the rest of the church, so we seek to encourage and strengthen the leadership of young adults across the church. The Commission works with various expressions of the Disciples of Christ to engage young adults, including general ministries, regions, and local congregations, helping to resource young adult ministries. The Commission is part of Disciples Home Missions, a general ministry of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

We are now seeking applications from young adults within the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) who wish to serve on the Commission for a term of three years. Please return the following application by October 30 to Kelly Harris [kharris@dhm.disciples.org](mailto:kharris@dhm.disciples.org). If you have any questions, please contact Kelly Harris [kharris@dhm.disciples.org](mailto:kharris@dhm.disciples.org). We will contact all applicants with a timeline for interviews and decisions after the submission date.

### **Expectations**

- Show a passion for young adult ministries and the greater ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) on a local regional, and/or general level;
- Serve a two-year term;
- Offer your resources, passions, viewpoints, time and ideas in helping to strengthen and carry out the goals of the Young Adult Commission;
- Participate regularly in online conversations with the rest of the commission via email and other platforms;
- Participate in regularly schedule video calls, normally at least once a month (frequency decided by Commission);
- Attend one planning meeting per year (basic expenses covered by Disciples Home Missions); and
- Attend General Assembly (basic expenses covered by Disciples Home Missions).

### **Application requirements**

- Be an active member of a congregation affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ);
- Be between the ages of 18 and 33 at the time of application (cannot currently be enrolled in high school); and
- Provide at least two letters of recommendation from persons who have known you for at least one year.



## Contact & Demographic Information

Name:

Street Address:

City, State, Zip Code:

Email:

Phone:

Date of Birth:

Ethnic Background:

Gender Identification:

Pronouns:

Occupation:

## Education

### **Undergraduate (Bachelor's, Associate's, or other equivalent)**

School:

City, State:

Year:

Major/Degree:

Graduation date (if currently enrolled, expected date):

### **Graduate (Master's)**

School:

City, State:

Year:

Degree:

Graduation date (if currently enrolled, expected date):

### **Graduate (Doctorate)**

School:

City, State:

Year:

Degree:

Graduation date (if currently enrolled, expected date):



## Church Affiliation:

### Disciples of Christ church with whom you most actively participate

Congregation:

City, State:

Disciples Region:

Senior pastor:

Email:

### Other congregations that you participate in

Congregation:

Denomination:

City:

State:

Senior pastor:

Email:

## Church Leadership

Please answer the following questions about your involvement in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ):

Are you an ordained, commissioned, or licensed Minister?

Yes                  No

If yes, which region do you hold standing in?

Are you in good standing?                  Yes                  No

Are you under care for ordination, commissioning, or licensing into ministry?

Yes                  No

If yes, which region?

Do you currently serve on the board of a Region, board of a General Ministry, or the General Board of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)?

Yes                  No

If yes, which boards?



## Response Questions

Please answer the following questions on a separate sheet and submit it with your application

1. Why are you applying to serve on the Young Adult Commission?
2. What experience do you have in leadership within and outside of the church, especially with young adults? What did you learn from those experiences?
3. What is your vision for young adult ministries and the young adult commission for the next two years?
4. What is your vision or hope for the Disciples of Christ as a denomination? How do you envision young adults contributing and leading?

## Letters of Recommendation

Please provide letters of recommendation from two people who have known you for longer than one year addressing your leadership skills and experiences and your relation to the Disciples of Christ. It is preferred that one recommendation be from a Disciples of Christ minister in good standing. Neither recommendation can be from a family member.

Letters can be submitted with your application or emailed separately to Kelly Harris [kharris@dhm.disciples.org](mailto:kharris@dhm.disciples.org).

### Recommendation 1

Name:

Email:

Occupation:

Relation to you:

### Recommendation 2

Name:

Email:

Occupation:

Relation to you:

## Feedback

Where did you learn about the Young Adult Commission?