



Be the Change You Want to See in the World!

Invitation to Pax Christi Council Leadership

You are invited to join a Pax Christi council. At Pax Christi, our leaders work alongside our pastor to make Christ's love known in the world. Baptized members of our community lead, serve, and work together. There is a spirit of collegiality, imagination, and curiosity. We use prayer, consensus, and reflection in making decisions. We are Christ-centered, mission focused, inspired, and passionate.

How Do Pax Christi Councils Work?

Each ministry area has a council. Pax Christi has ten councils. Our Pax Christi councils are dynamic, visionary, and serve with the heart of a servant. There are ten members on each council including one staff liaison. Youth and adults serve side by side. Councils gather monthly. We pray, break bread, laugh, share friendships, and work together to steward the generosity, needs, and hopes of our community and neighbors.

Core Values

Pax Christi is grounded in core values. We work for justice and celebrate the liturgy joyfully. We sing. We welcome strangers, knowing they bring gifts. We steward our beautiful 25-acre campus, sanctuary, and sacred art. We use best practices, transparency, and believe stewardship is a way of life. We are "green." We compost, recycle, restore our prairie, raise holy honey, and operate a solar garden. We share our faith. We walk alongside. We are gritty, resilient, and keep the faith. We share generously. We pray. We imagine the world that God loves, and work towards it.

Commitment

Members of Pax Christi are invited to join Pax Christi councils each spring. The process begins in March and wraps up in June. You may nominate yourself or another member of Pax Christi. There are nomination forms on the Pax Christi website at www.paxchristi.com, in the Pax Christi Magazine, and at the building's front entrance (Door #3). Any adult member of Pax Christi who is baptized may serve. We also invite our senior high youth to consider participating. Council terms are for three years. Youth serve a one-year term. Terms begin in August and wrap up in June. We are off in July. Councils are currently meeting via Zoom and we look forward to gathering on our campus again. Lay Leadership, Development, and Engagement (LLDE) will walk with you every step of the way. We offer training and orientation to all prospective council members.

Questions and Next Steps

If you feel called, we encourage you to fill out a nomination form. If you have questions, please contact Maura Schnorbach, Pax Christi's Director of Development and Engagement, at mschnorbach@paxchristi.com or Dave Putrich, LLDE chair at dputrich@comcast.net. Check out our website and watch for details in our eNEWS. Be the change.

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