

Baltimore-Washington & Peninsula-Delaware Episcopal Area
DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY FOR ORDAINED MINISTRY CHURCH
CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATION
Church Conference 2026

Church Name:	Church ID:
Charge Name:	District Name:
Candidate: Submit an electronic copy of this form to your church. This document will be acted upon at your Church Conference.	

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE CANDIDATE:

I, _____, hereby declare my candidacy for ordained ministry in The United Methodist Church and request the support and recommendation of the Church Conference or equivalent body as specified by the district committee on ordained ministry for certification as a candidate. I understand that I am not a "Certified Candidate" until approved by DCOM.

I request to

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Begin as a Candidate

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Continue as a Candidate

Signed _____ Date _____
Signature of the Declared Candidate

Printed Name _____

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE RECOMMENDING BODY:

Believing that _____ is called of God and is a suitable candidate for ordained ministry in The United Methodist Church, (the recommending body), _____ recommends him/her for certification as a candidate to the District Committee on Ordained Ministry. In making this recommendation, we attest to the fact that the declared candidate has been a professing member in good standing of The United Methodist Church or a baptized participant of a recognized United Methodist campus ministry or other United Methodist ministry setting for a minimum of one (1) year, has graduated from an accredited high school or received a certificate of equivalency, and has received by written ballot a two-thirds vote of this body.

Signed: _____ Date _____
Signature of presiding clergy, district superintendent, or bishop

Printed Name: _____

Vote Count: _____Y / _____N

Candidate is:
Recommended

Not Recommended