## FIRST DAWN EASTERN EDGE REGIONAL COUNCIL

## 44<sup>TH</sup> GENERAL COUNCIL COMMISSIONER NOMINATION BIOGRAPHICAL SHEET

NAME OF NOMINEE: Rev. Miriam Bowlby

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**COMMUNITY OF FAITH**: Cochrane Street United Church (St. John's)

## DESCRIBE WHY YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING AS A GENERAL COUNCIL COMMISSIONER:

"Even before the pandemic, the church was in a period of change as we moved from a four-court model to a three-court model. In addition, there have been changes in church attendance and engagement. Churches of all denominations are struggling. Yet I find myself hopeful about the future of the church and I believe that the church can play a significant role in society as we recover this



pandemic. The way of love and compassion of Jesus is much needed in our community and world. How can we share that message of love in communities across Canada? I've served as a member of the General council executive as well as attended the last two General Council meetings as a commissioner. I have experience in a broad range of church committees. Currently, I serve on the Audit Committee for General Council and I chair the Justice, Mission, Outreach team for the region. I would like to be part of the group that helps our church collectively discern where and how God is calling us to be the church in the future."

MOVER/SECONDER: Bill Evans/Karen Critch

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