

CRE Requirement for Presbytery of San José

Psychological and Vocational Assessment/Evaluation

(Approved by COM on June 8, 2026 and effective on June 9, 2026)

To support the discernment of a candidate for Commissioned Ruling Elder, the candidate's ministry of care, the CRE Subcommittee of the Committee on Ministry, the Committee on Ministry, and the Presbytery, the Presbytery of San José requires all persons enrolled as a CRE candidate on/after June 9, 2026 and all current CREs who seek to renew their commission to undergo and receiving a psychological and vocational assessment/evaluation.

Such an assessment/evaluation is required of all inquirers/candidates for ordination to the ministry of Word and Sacrament. The assessment/evaluation is an important means for any person who seeks to receive a call to assess their psychological, mental, emotional, and spiritual well-being, and how that relates to one's sense of vocation to ministry.

The CRE Subcommittee of the Presbytery will refer and recommend CRE candidates to a trained, licensed assessor/counselor, utilizing the practitioners that the Committee on Preparation for Ministry uses or recommends.