

Title: Plurality of Leadership
Subtitle: Leadership Terms
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Subject Matter: Offices

The head of the church is _____

*Christ is the _____ of the church (Ephesians 1:19–23, 5:23; Col. 1:18).

*He is the one with “_____” (Matthew 28:18).

*He is the one who _____ His church (Matthew 16:18).

*He is the church’s one _____ (1 Corinthians 3:11) and _____ (Ephesians 2:20).

*He is the one chief _____ (1 Peter 5:4).

Sanctioned Church Leaders

Pastor – (A.K.A. Elders, Overseers, Shepherd)

_____ – (Acts 20:28; Phil. 1:1; 1 Tim. 3:1; Titus 1:7)
Overseer, bishop – Someone who has responsibilities to superintend, to watch over something, providing administrative oversight

_____ – (Acts 20:23; Eph. 4:11; 1 Peter 5:2) Shepherd or pastor – They feed the flock, guiding them to pastures to feed, protect the flock

_____ – (Acts 11:30, 14:23, 15:2-23, 16:4, 20:17, 21:18; 1 Tim. 5:17-19; Titus 1:5; James 5:14; 1 Pet. 5:1,5) Elder – Leader

All three refer to the _____ office – (Acts 20:17, 28; 1 Pet.5:1-2)

Deacon/Ministry Leaders – (Acts 6:1-6; Phil. 1:1) servant, attendant, minister

Biblical Data of Governance

Autonomous Democratic – It is known as Congregationalism

Autonomous Lay Led – Pastor and elder board

Autonomous Pastoral Team Led – Plurality of pastors