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S9.03 The Synod Nominating Committee of five members shall be nominated by the Conference Deans and elected by the Synod Council to serve for the one three year term.

Rev. Joel Erickson, Minnesota River
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 Rev. Sarah Nietz, Cannon River
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Worship Planning

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 Friday morning
 Rev. David Vásquez, Luther College,
 Decorah, IA, Saturday morning

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Thanks and Acknowledgments



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 Mollie Peterson, Zumbro, Rochester
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 Joy Gonnerman Johnson, Luther Seminary, St Paul, MN
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Seminary Students from the Southeastern Minnesota Synod

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 Derek Nelson, Vasa, Welch MN
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Seminary Faculty Rep.:

Rev. Mark Granquist, Luther Seminary

Advisory for Committee on Candidacy:

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 Coordinator



Ordination & Commissioning Anniversaries

25th Anniversary of Ordination:

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 Rev. Mark Dumke
 Rev. James Ahlquist
 Rev. John Henriksen
 Rev. Dave Klawiter
 Rev. Luther Mathsen
 Rev. Lane Zaffke

40th Anniversary of Ordination:

Rev. Philip Eaves
 Rev. John Heruth
 Rev. Eugene Leiter
 Rev. Lyndon West

50th Anniversary of Ordination:

Rev. Raymond Haugland
 Rev. Roger Knudson
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Rev. Eldon Person
 Rev. Vernon Faillettaz
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55th Anniversary of Ordination:

Rev. Glennys Knutson

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