

✦ Augsburg College Corporation Board

2-year term, vote for 9

✦ Rev. John Malm

Congregation: Hayward Lutheran,
Hayward, and Trondhjem, Austin

Conference: Blue Earth River

Occupation: Pastor

*Nominated by the Synod Nominating
Committee*

✦ Taylor Pagel

Conference: Cannon River

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Committee*

✦ Richard Johnson

Congregation: United, Red Wing

Conference: Cannon River

Occupation: Retired U.S. Marine Corps
Officer - MS Degree Management

Service to congregation:

- Congregational council president
- Congregational councils (16 years)
- Call committee
- Sunday School teacher (17 years)
- Men in Mission Bible study (14 years)
- Men's Cooking Team (11 years)
- Boy Scout troop committee (10 years)
- Confirmation class teacher (2 years)
- Usher and lector (20+ years)

Service to synod:

- Synod Call/Appointment Committee
- Stewardship Committee

*Other experience and/or service to
community:*

- Lions Club (20 years)
- Goodhue County Historical Society
- Goodhue County Parks & Recreation
- Cannon Falls Township Planning
- Past Commander - Marine Corps
League, "Toys for Tots" program
- Past Commander - Military Order of
the Purple Heart

*Nominated by the Synod Nominating
Committee*

✦ Nancy Johnson

Conference: Root River

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Committee*

✦ Pastor Jeff Franko

Congregation: Central, Winona

Conference: Root River

Occupation: Pastor

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Committee*

✦ Theodore Bottem

Congregation: Bethel, Rochester

Conference: Zumbro River

Occupation: Retired

Service to congregation:

- Usher
- Planning committee for new church
building

*Nominated by the Synod Nominating
Committee*

✦ Rev. John Heille

Congregation: Zion, Stewartville

Conference: Zumbro River

Occupation: Pastor

Service to congregation:

- Preach
- Teach young and old
- Preside over the Sacraments
- Visit the sick
- Work to help those in need in
cooperation with my brothers and
sisters in Christ

Service to synod:

- Synod Assembly Team (East Central
Synod of Wisconsin)
- Augsburg College Corporation Board
(Southeastern Minnesota Synod)

*Nominated by the Synod Nominating
Committee*



✦ **Augsburg College Corporation Board, continued**

✦ **Rev. Norman Wahl**

Congregation: Bethel, Rochester

Conference: Zumbro River

Occupation: Pastor

Service to congregation:

- As a pastor, served on virtually every committee/team in the church
- Volunteer on mission trips through Lutheran Disaster Response
- Choir member
- Capital fund raising

Service to synod:

- Candidacy Committee and Initial Interviewer
- Augsburg Board of Regents
- Lutheran Episcopal Coordinating Committee
- Consecration Sunday leader and preacher

Other experience and/or service to community:

- Member of Lions Club since 1991, held nearly every office
- Actor in and supporter of “The Promise”
- Helped to host Augsburg College’s Rochester program

Nominated by the Synod Nominating Committee

❖ **Committee on Discipline**

6 year term, vote for four

❖ **Mark Behrends**

Nominated by the Synod Nominating Committee

❖ **Rev. Dan Doerring**

Congregation: Grace, Waseca

Conference: Minnesota River

Occupation: Pastor

Service to congregation:

- Associate pastor
- Congregational council
- Primary areas of responsibility include education, evangelism, and stewardship and oversight of Grace Garden Childcare Center

Service to synod:

- Youth Servant Leader Institute board
- Voting Member to 2007 churchwide assembly

Other experience and/or service to community:

- Discipline committee at Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
- Involvement with different fundraising & community events in Waseca

Nominated by the Synod Nominating Committee

❖ **Rev. Justin Boeding**

Congregation: Faith, Dodge Center

Conference: Zumbro River

Occupation: Pastor

Service to synod:

- Credentials Committee
- Lay School of Theology Board

Nominated by the Synod Nominating Committee



✱ Committee on the Election of a Bishop

6-year term, vote for 7

✱ Rev. Mark Boorsma

Congregation: Ascension, Albert Lea

Conference: Blue Earth River

Occupation: Pastor

Service to congregation:

- Pastor (preaching, teaching, pastoral care, etc.)

Service to synod:

- Committee on Reference and Counsel
- Committee on Candidacy
- Committee on the Election of a Bishop

Other experience and/or service to community:

- Past president of the Netherlands-American Association of Minnesota, a social and educational non-profit organization

Nominated by the Synod Nominating Committee

✱ Rev. Kathleen Lowery

Congregation: Stordahl, Zumbrota

Conference: Cannon River

Occupation: Pastor

Service to congregation:

- Pastored through building project

Service to synod:

- Cannon River Conference Education Committee

Other experience and/or service to community:

- Girl Scout leader (7 years)
- Spiritual Director for Via de Cristo
- Past president of Kenyon/Wanamingo Area Ministerial Association

Nominated by the Synod Nominating Committee

✱ Rev. Steve Kidder

Congregation: Christ the King, Mankato

Conference: Minnesota River

Occupation: Pastor

Service to synod:

- Church in Society committee
- Lutheran Coalition for Public Policy in Minnesota board member

Nominated by the Synod Nominating Committee

✱ James Hunzeker

Congregation: Trinity, Spring Grove

Conference: Root River

Occupation: Self-employed turf establishment/erosion control, native grass & wildflower

Counselor/Mediator/Life Coach

Service to congregation:

- Choir
- Various committees
- Congregational council
- Chaperone to youth gathering

Service to synod:

- Committee on the Election of a Bishop
- Voting member for synod assembly
- Voting member for churchwide assembly (Orlando, 2005)

Other experience and/or service to community:

- School board
- Minnesota Crop Improvement Association board
- Play golf

Nominated by the Synod Nominating Committee



✱ Committee on the Election of a Bishop, continued

✱ Rev. Marie Anderson

Congregation: St. John's, Kasson

Conference: Zumbro River

Occupation: Pastor

Service to congregation:

- Pastor of Discipleship and Family Ministry

Service to synod:

- Mutual Ministry (since 2002)
- Volunteer at synod assembly

Nominated by the Synod Nominating Committee

✱ Earl Branum

Congregation: Chatfield Lutheran, Chatfield

Conference: Root River

Occupation: Retired Clinical Laboratory Supervisor

Service to congregation:

- Congregational president
- Committees (business management, stewardship, etc.)
- Congregational council member
- Call committee chair
- Sunday School teacher

Service to synod:

- Synod council member
- Synod executive committee member
- Churchwide assembly voter
- Minnesota Council of Churches board, including one term as chair
- Committee on the Election of a Bishop

Other experience and/or service to community:

- Chair of the Chatfield Area Community Foundation (a group that provides grants & support to various community projects along with recruitment of funds for continued support)

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✱ Rev. Margaret Sander

Congregation: Good Shepherd, Wells

Conference: Blue Earth River

Occupation: Pastor

Nominated by the Synod Nominating Committee



☐ Synod Vice President

4-year term, vote for one

☐ Shirley Gangstad

Congregation: Our Savior's, Spring Valley

Conference: Root River

Occupation: Retired high school teacher

Service to congregation:

- Worship Committee
- Congregational president
- Senior choir director
- Handbell choir director
- Confirmation mentor

Service to synod:

- Root River Conference dean
- Vice president
- Churchwide voting member
- Various synod committees
- Two mission trips to Tanzania

Other experience and/or service to community:

- Walks of Boldness: Journeys of Biblical Women (dramatic portrayals of women of the Bible)
- Pulpit supply
- Kingsland Story Theater Group
- Volunteer work in Rochester Public Schools, including leadership role on Rochester Public School Foundation

Nominated by the Synod Nominating Committee

☐ Jan Weness

Congregation: Little Cedar, Adams

Conference: Zumbro River

Service to congregation:

- Congregational council
- Congregational president
- Several committees
- Women of the ELCA
- President of Women of the ELCA
- Choir
- Other offices

Service to synod:

- Mission Planning and Action Committee
- Synodical Women of the ELCA board, president (2 years)
- ELCA churchwide Division for Outreach board (6 years)

Other experience and/or service to community:

- American Red Cross Instructor and board member
- Adams Health Care Center auxiliary president and member

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