

Call for synod leaders!



The synod Leadership Development Committee (nominating committee) is seeking nominees for leadership teams and committees in the synod, as well as 2005 churchwide assembly voting members. Please consider nominating skilled and gifted people with a strong commitment to the church. You may nominate yourself if you wish. To nominate individuals, complete the form found on the back of this announcement. Feel free to reproduce the form and send in multiple nominations!

We need nominations for people to serve on the following **synod leadership teams**. Members of these teams make up the synod council. The synod council meets 3-4 times a year in a Friday night through Saturday afternoon retreat. If you would like to know more about these teams, call the synod office at 800-426-6376.

[**Synod Council: Congregational Renewal Team**

-] Promotes healthy, growing, mission-minded congregations
-] Encourages and supports the clustering of congregations for evangelism, service, ministry and mission
-] Facilitates the renewal of congregations through mentoring and resourcing
-] Oversees the Lay School of Theology

[**Synod Council: Lay & Clergy Leadership Development Team**

-] Assists in the training and support of lay congregational officers and leaders
-] Provides professional support for pastors, associates in ministry and church staff workers and their spouses and children
-] Plans and carries out a program to recruit future pastors, associates in ministry, Diaconal ministers, deaconesses, and church staff workers
-] Directs the first call theological education program

[**Synod Council: Mission Planning & Action Team**

-] Interprets the mission of the synod and Churchwide organization
-] Provides leadership for stewardship development
-] Explores and initiates new ministry starts
-] Assists congregations to address the needs in society.

We are also seeking people to serve as **churchwide assembly voting members** in 2005.

In addition, we are seeking people interested in serving on the following synod committees, teams, and task forces. For descriptions, see the synod constitution in the synod handbook, or call the synod office at 800-426-6376.

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| a Candidacy Committee | a Lay School of Theology Board |
| a Committee on Discipline | a Committee on Reference and Counsel |
| a Endowment Committee | a Sabbatical Committee |
| a Global Mission/Companion Synods Committee | a Stewardship Task Force |

We are also seeking nominees for the following synod ministry partner boards. To learn more about these boards, contact the people currently serving on them (listed in the “synod ministry partners” section of the synod handbook).

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| a Board of Social Ministry | a Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota (LSS) |
| a Lutheran Coalition for Public Policy in Minnesota | a Augsburg College Corporation |

Thank you for your consideration!

Southeastern Minnesota Synod 2004 Nomination Form

Please return this form to:

Southeastern Minnesota Synod
1001 14th St NW Suite 300
Rochester, MN 55901

Or fax to: 507-280-8824

Or e-mail the information requested to: danorrie@semnsynod.org

Nominee for (which team, committee, etc.): _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone (work): _____ (home): _____

Congregation: _____ Congregation City: _____

Conference (check one): ' Blue Earth River ' Cannon River ' Minnesota River
' Root River ' Zumbro River

Occupation: _____

Age category (check one): ' 1-18 ' 19-29 ' 30-39 ' 40-49 ' 50-59 ' 60+

Gender: ' Male ' Female

Are you (check all applicable):

- ' A person of color
- ' Someone whose primary language not English
- ' Youth

Are you (check one): ' Clergy ' Associate in Ministry ' Lay

Please list ways in which you have served your congregation (church council, servant projects, etc. - use an additional sheet if necessary):

Please list ways in which you have served the synod (synod committees, synod assembly, etc. - use an additional sheet if necessary):

Please list your other relevant interests, jobs, or civic volunteer work (use an additional sheet, if necessary):

Has the individual above agreed to be nominated? ' Yes ' No

Nominated by: _____ Phone: _____