

# Southern Ohio Synod

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

*This form should be completed by the nominee. Completion of this form indicates willingness to serve in the nominated position indicated below.*

I. Please provide nominee information below.

Name: Bennett Whitaker

Congregation Name & City: Redeemer, Columbus

What Conference is your congregation a part of? Central Ohio

(Optional) I am a person of color and/or my primary language is something other than English: No

II. Please check the position for which you are nominated.

**Synod Council 4-year term, at-large lay man**

IV. Please help the Assembly know you better by providing a brief (few sentences) answer to each question below:

**What leadership experience have you gained through service in your congregation, synod or Churchwide expression?**

Congregation Council President, Vice President, Steering Team; Synod Council member, assembly voting member for congregation

**What leadership experience have you gained through your employment or service in your community?**

Disability accommodation and access, esp. d/Deaf and hard-of-hearing persons; various university committees representing faculty, staff, and graduate and undergraduate student perspectives

**What gifts or skills will you bring to your service on the Synod Council if elected?**

Prior experience on Synod Council, boldness, critical sensitivity to historically marginalized perspectives