

Southern Ohio Synod

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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Nominations Form for 2013 Southern Ohio Synod Assembly

I. Please print information about the nominee.

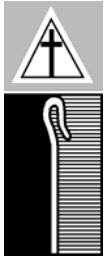
Name of Nominee							
Address							
City / State / Zip							
Telephones	Day:	Evening:			Other:		
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Congregation							
Conference (Circle one)	CI	CO	DA	NW	MU	SC	
Roster (Circle one)	Lay	Associate in Ministry		Clergy	Deaconess	Diaconal Minister	
Gender (Circle one)	Male		Female				
Person of Color						____ Yes	____ No
Primary Language other than English						____ Yes	____ No
Age (Check one)	____ Youth	____ 20-29	____ 30-39	____ 40-49	____ 50-59	____ 60+	
Consent	Has this person consented to this nomination? (Check one)					____ Yes	____ No

II. Place an X next to the position for which you are nominating this person.

Synod Council	
	Central Ohio Conference – Lay Male (2013-2017)
	Scioto Conference – Lay Female (2013-2017)
	At Large – Lay Female (2013-2017)
	At Large – Lay Male (2013-2017)
	Central Ohio Conference – Clergy (2013-2016)
	Muskingum Conference – Lay Female (2013-2015)

Other			
	Committee on Discipline – Clergy (2013-2019) 6 to be elected		Consultation Committee – Clergy (2013-2019) 6 to be elected
	Committee on Discipline – Lay Female (2013-2019) 3 to be elected		Consultation Committee – Lay Female (2013-2019) 3 to be elected
	Committee on Discipline – Lay Male (2013-2019) 3 to be elected		Consultation Committee – Lay Male (2013-2019) 3 to be elected

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III. Please tell us why you feel this person is qualified to hold this elected position within our synod. This information will be used by the Nominating Committee to better inform them about nominees and help them in their discernment process.

IV. This section is to be completed by the nominee. Please print.

Tell us about yourself as it relates to the position for which you being nominated.

Congregational Experience (List no more than 3 examples)

Synodical/Churchwide Experience (List no more than 3 examples)

Community Experience (List no more than 3 examples)

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Synod Council, Central Ohio-Lay Male (Term 2013-2017)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	M			5	<p>Neal Coryell, Member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Columbus; Chair of Worship Committee (current); Chair of Community Ministry Committee; Member of Chancel & Bell Choirs (current)</p> <p>Voting Member, Churchwide Assembly 2007; Synod Assembly Voting Member 2000, 2007-2009 & 2011-2013; Member of Synod Nominating Committee 2011-2013</p> <p>Member, Columbus Gay Men's Chorus; Former Dresser with Opera Columbus; Volunteer at LSS Central Ohio Food Pantry</p>
	M			6	<p>James Renshaw, Member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Columbus (35 years); Congregational Council for 3 terms, currently President; Christian Education/Youth Experience Committee; Confirmation & Sunday School Teacher (25 years)</p> <p>Synod Assembly attendee</p> <p>Boy Scouts of America; Assistant Scoutmaster (25 yrs); Ohio Attorney General's Office, Charitable Law Section, 16 years Investigation Manager; Past board member of Alliance for Cooperative Justice</p>

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Synod Council, Scioto Conference-Lay Female (Term 2013-2017)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	F			6	Janice Lane, Member of Calvary Lutheran Church, Chillicothe; Served 2 two year terms as Congregational President; On council for 7 years; Member of Building Committee (past) Synod Elections Committee (past); Synod Reference and Counsel Committee (past) Worked as warden of male prison and worked with community to be a good neighbor. Part-time church secretary (current)
X	F			6	Carol Swank, Member of Faith Lutheran Church, Jackson; Church council president; Served several terms as church council secretary; Faith Lutheran's WELCA President (2008-present) Current Synod Council member; Synod Nominations Committee (past); Synod Assembly representative for congregation Board of Jackson Area Ministries; Works with Jackson Ministerial Association & Jackson Food Program; Volunteer Fire Fighter Liberty Township

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Synod Council, At Large-Lay Female (Term 2013-2017)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	F			6	Patricia Heinlein, Member of Grace Lutheran Church, Pickerington; Altar Guild, Nursery helper; WELCA (Congregational) Counselor for Synod youth gatherings Zanesville Christian Women's Group; Volunteer at local senior center; Attend ecumenical senior exercise group
	F			5	Jodi Keith, Member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cincinnati; Church Council; Nursery School Board Chair; Active in a variety of congregational roles Southern Ohio Synod voting member numerous times; Hospitality organizer for 2012 Global Event; Candidate for ordained ministry Chair of City of Montgomery Beautification and Tree Commission; Active in Sycamore High School Band Boosters; Graduate of City of Montgomery Citizens' Leadership Academy

Synod Council, At Large-Lay Male (Term 2013-2017)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	M			6	Terry Rapoch, Member of Epiphany Lutheran Church, Centerville; Church council President (current), President Elect (2011-2012); Member (2006-2007); Confirmation Guide (2005-2006); Chair, Tanzania Ministry (2005-present) Chair, Synod Tanzania Task Force (2006-present); Member, Synod Global Mission Task Force (2010-present); Synod Assembly representative multiple times Member, CareSource Management Board and Audit Committee (2011-present); President, DaytaOhio/Wright State Applied Research Corp (2007-present); Technology First/Greater Dayton IT Alliance Member/Chair (2000-2006)
	M			3	Bennett Whitaker, Member Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church, Columbus; Church council President; Member Evangelism, Constitution & Long-range Planning/Visioning Committees; Sunday School facilitation Lay representative to Synod Assembly 4 years; Participant in God Sightings group Academic Excellence Committee (Graduate Council, Educational Policies Committee) at SIUC; Capital University Faculty Chaperone & Group Facilitator (Petit Jean Performance Festival)

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Synod Council, Central Ohio-Clergy (Term 2013-2017)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	M			5	Timothy Muller, Pastor of Ascension Lutheran Church, Columbus; Pastor of Auckland Lutheran Parish, New Zealand (1988-1993); Pastor of St. Stephen's, South Australia (1994-2003); Pastor, Ascension Lutheran Church, Columbus (2007-present) Spiritual Advisor, Lutheran Youth of New Zealand (1989-1993); Lutheran Campus Ministry Board (1995-2003)
	M			4	Ralph Wolfe, Pastor of Clinton Heights Lutheran Church, Columbus; Senior Pastor at Clinton Heights, Columbus (2004-present); Assoc Pastor, St. John Lutheran Church, Oak Harbor, Ohio (1995-2004); Pastor, First Lutheran Church, Donnelville (1990-1995) Board member and President at Jacob's Porch , OSU Campus Ministry (2005-2012); Development and Resource Team of Camp Mowana (2008-2012); Educational Ministries Team member in NW Ohio Synod (1998-2004) Advisor & volunteer with Clintonville Community Resource Center; Volunteer and PTA member at Gables Elementary and Ridgeview Middle School; Oak Harbor Kiwanis Vice President (2002-2004)

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Synod Council, Muskingum Conference-Lay Male (Term 2013-2017)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	M			6	Howard Gill, Member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Roseville; Served on council and as Council President Synod Council (past)
	M			6	Steve Schnittke, Member of Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, New Lexington; Current and past President of congregation; Past VP of congregation Voting member of Churchwide Assembly (2009, 2011 & 2013) Past President and member of Rotary Club; Former member of Perry Behavioral Health; Member Perry County Historical Society

Synod Council—Lutheran Men in Mission (Term 2013-2017)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	M			6	Ronald Moder, Member of Messiah Lutheran Church, Pickerington; Church council President (past); Church council Treasurer (current) Volunteer at Joseph's Coat; Volunteer at Lutheran Social Services Food Pantry; Thrivent Board chapter officer
	M			6	Melvin Parks, Member of David Lutheran Church, Canal Winchester; Choir member; Leader of men's group at church

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Committee on Discipline, Cincinnati Conference—Clergy (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	M			3	Todd Cutter, Pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Mt. Healthy (8/2008-present); Campus Pastor, Newberry College, Newberry, SC (6/2006-7/2008); Associate Pastor, Our Savior Lutheran Church, Southern Pines, NC (6/2004-2/2006) Facilitator for Cincinnati Conference “God Sightings” Event (Feb 2013); Involved with Project Connect, a program assisting college students with ministry discernment, an initiative of the Eastern Cluster of ELCA Seminaries (2006-2008)
	M			3	Josh Miller, Pastor of Ascension Lutheran Church, Cincinnati (2008-present); Pastor, Zion Lutheran Church, Obetz (2005-2008); Youth Director, Messiah Lutheran Church, Reynoldsburg (1996-2000) Leadership Development and Support Team Peace Corps Volunteer, Bulgaria (2000-2002); Montgomery Community Leadership Academy (2009-2010)

Committee on Discipline, Central Ohio Conference—Clergy (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	M			4	Bob Abrams, Pastor of Resurrection Lutheran Church, Hilliard (2011-present); Vice President, Board of Directors, Jacob’s Porch, OSU Campus Ministry (2011-present); Council President, All Shepherds Lutheran Church, Lewis Center (2004-2006) Member, Committee on Discipline, Northwestern Ohio Synod (1998-2000); Lay Voting Member Northwestern Ohio Synod (1998 & 1999); Lay Voting Member Southern Ohio Synod (2004 & 2005) Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Mercer County; Rotary Club; Regular Guest Speaker, Hilliard, Ohio Senior Center
	M			6	Carl Gaston, Pastor of Linden Lutheran Church, Columbus. Served as a pastor for 39 years total at the following congregations, St. Paul, Ironton; St. John, Sidney, Triune Broadview Heights, and three others in Ohio. President of Cincinnati Conference (1992-1993); Executive Committee, Miami Valley LSS; Nominating Committee for Southern Ohio Synod Kiwanis member; Local ministeriums

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Committee on Discipline, Dayton Conference—Clergy (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	F			4	<p>Laura Cavendish, Pastor of St. John Lutheran Church, Ingomar in West Alexandria; St. John’s Leigh and Zion, Platte Center, NE (1992-1997); Luther Memorial, Omaha, NE (1997-2002); Trinity, Lewisburg, part-time (2004-2007)</p> <p>Nebraska Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Board; Southern Ohio Synod Leadership Institute</p> <p>Special needs parent in the area of Behavioral and Mental Health; Youth Sports Volunteer (varied leadership and support roles); West Alexandria Churches Organized for Community Action</p>
	M			5	<p>Charlie Woodward, Pastor of Epiphany Lutheran Church, Centerville (2012-present); Lead Pastor, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Westerville (2000-2012); St. Mark’s Lutheran Church, Delaware (1995-2000)</p> <p>Outreach Board for Southern Ohio Synod; Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Board-ELCA (6 years); Lutheran Memorial Camp Board</p> <p>Westerville Area Ministries Association member; Member Westerville Lions; Habitat for Humanity Board member</p>

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Committee on Discipline, Northwest Conference—Clergy (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	M			5	Craig Fourman, Pastor of Abiding Christ Lutheran Church, Fairborn (21 years); Mission and Strategy Team Northwest Conference (2011-2012); Chair, Lutheran Saints in Ministry (2011-2012) Churchwide Assembly Voting Member (2007 & 2009); Chair, Reference and Council Committee (2008, 2009 & 2010); Tri-Synodical Candidacy Committee (2001-2009) President (2007) and member of Board of Directors for Rotary Club; President, Future Fairborn Political Action Committee (2007-2011); Membership Chair, Lion’s Clubs (2012)
	M			6	Jonathan Schriber, Pastor of St. John Lutheran Church, Sidney (1985-Present); St. John’s Lutheran Church, Sidney as Associate Pastor (1984-1985); First and Bethel Lutheran Churches, Rugby, ND (1979-1984) Task Force member-formation of Northwest Conference; Member of Kazakhstan Task Force; Fall Stewardship Visitor Member of the Shelby County Drug Free Community Task Force (current); Board member (10 years) and President (5 years) Shelby County MRDD Board; Co-Facilitator of Court Ordered Anger Management Classes in Shelby and Miami Counties (past)

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Committee on Discipline, Muskingum Conference--Clergy (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	F			5	Katie Kerrigan, Pastor of Christ's Lutheran Church, Cambridge (2012-present); Pastor, Pleasant City Lutheran Parish (2003-2012) Chair, Amazing Grace Day Camp Task Force (current); Chair Leadership Development and Support Team (past); Member First Call Education Team (past) GRACE Pantry Board, Cambridge (current); Director, Pleasant City Food Pantry (past)
	M			5	Phil Van Dam, Pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, Martins Ferry (2006-present); Pastor of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Rouzerville, PA (2001-2005); Founding member Belmont County PAL (Presbyterians, Anglicans and Lutherans) Southern Ohio Synod Assembly Worship Coordinator (2007); ELCA Churchwide Voting Member (2011); ELCMA delegate (2012, 2013) Character Coach, Martins Ferry School District; ESL Tutor, Greenwood, IN; Hall of Honor Board Member, Martins Ferry, Ohio

Committee on Discipline, Scioto Conference--Clergy (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	F			6	Janet Hatch, Pastor of Calvary Lutheran Church, Chillicothe; Pastor, St. John Lutheran Church, Franklin Furnace; Pastor, Adamsville Lutheran Parish (New Hope & Zion Lutheran Churches) Synod Council; Hunger Task Force; Assembly Elections Committee Parent Surrogate, Scioto County Schools; Board Member, Counseling Center, Portsmouth; Hope Clinic, Chillicothe
	F			6	Janice Winters, Pastor of St. John Lutheran Church, Logan (2/2008-present), Intern and Supply at St. John Lutheran Church, Logan (8/2005-11/2007); Vice Pastor at First English Lutheran Church, Ashville (3/2010-2/2011) Mecklenberg Task Force (2009-Present); Grace Partners (2008-2009); Small Church Ministry (2008-2009) 317 Board in Athens, Hocking and Vinton Counties (2009-2010); Hocking County Ministerial Association (2005-present); Scenic Hills Senior Center (2009-present)

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Committee on Discipline, Cincinnati Conference—Lay Female (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	F			6	<p>Anne Miller, Member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cincinnati; Stephen Ministry Leader (1997-present); Church Staff Member in Congregational Life, Youth & Family Ministries & Faith Formation (1991-present)</p> <p>Lay Voting Member to 2005 Churchwide Assembly; Chair of the SOS Strategic Team for Congregational Ministries & Support/Nurture (2002-2005); Chair of the SOS Youth and Family Ministries Implementation Team (2001-2002)</p> <p>Chapter President of National T.T.T. Society supporting camping opportunities for underprivileged 4th grade girls; PTO Executive Board (past); Boy Scout Troop Board (past)</p>
	F			5	<p>Ildiko Sherman, Member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Middletown; Congregational President (2010-2011); Church council several years; Vacation Bible School volunteer</p> <p>Synod Assembly voting member twice</p> <p>Human Rights Committee of the Southern Ohio Nurses Association (SONA) (2008-present); Board member SONA (past); Delegate to Ohio Nurses Association statewide convention (2009 & 2011)</p>

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Committee on Discipline, Northwest Conference—Lay Female (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	F			5	<p>Sallie Anderson, Member of St. John’s Lutheran Church, Piqua; Church council as President (current), Secretary, Treasurer, Worship & Music; Evangelism Board, Congregational Life Board & Parish Education Board; Call Committee; Catechism teacher</p> <p>Dayton Conference WELCA President; Synod Voting Member to Churchwide WELCA Constituting Convention; Congregational Voting Member to Synod Assemblies</p> <p>Piqua YMCA Board; Piqua Association of Churches</p>
	F			5	<p>Katherine Obringer, Member of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Pitsburg; Church secretary; Sunday School Teacher; Congregational Council</p> <p>Northwest Conference WELCA Co-Leader</p> <p>Advocate for local food pantry; Served on PTO for many years; Volunteer referee for local youth leagues</p>

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Committee on Discipline, Muskingum Conference—Lay Female (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	F			6	Margene Brown, member of St. Luke’s Lutheran Church, Marietta; Church council (past); Sunday School teacher (past) Attended and volunteered at Camp Mowana Worked as an RN in hospital setting and also taught nursing; Nursing service at Washington County Jail (20 years)
	F			6	Rebecca (Becky) Nolt, member of St. Luke’s Lutheran Church, Marietta; Church council (past and present) Participated in sessions for clergy and lay people regarding creation of Lutheran Book of Worship Served on Negotiations Committee and Grievance Committees while teaching

Committee on Discipline, Central Ohio Conference—Lay Male (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	M	X		4	Frank Carter, Member of African International Lutheran Mission (AILM); Chair of AILM Church Council; Chair of Stewardship committee, Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church; National President of LYF-Lutheran Church in Liberia Attended multicultural seminar in Florida; Attended Churchwide meetings in Columbus and its environs; Attend youth camp as youth counselor Union Steward; Chair of Elections Commission; Secretary
	M			5	Bradford Signet, Member of Lord of Life Lutheran Church, Worthington; Past Congregational President and Church Council member; Team leader of congregational Stewardship Team; Communion Assistant, Engage Ministry Board Member, Lutheran Social Services of Central Ohio, serving on the Compliance & Congregation and Community Relations Board Committees Past AEP Chairman for annual United Way campaigns, Past member of the United Way Health Impact Council; Past board member of the Columbus Spirituality Network

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Committee on Discipline, Dayton Conference—Lay Male (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	M			6	Jerry Haun, Member of Peace Lutheran Church, Beavercreek; Congregational President (5 terms over 35 year period); Pastoral call committee member; Chair, congregation 50 th anniversary celebration Churchwide Assembly voting member (past); Synod Council member for 2 terms (past); Synod Candidacy Committee member for 2 terms (past) Capital University Alumni Advisory Board, currently President-elect; State of Ohio Master Gardener Advisory Board (present); Greene County Interfaith Hospitality Network Board of Trustees (present)
	M			6	Jim Lehman, Member of St. John’s Lutheran Church, Miamisburg; 35 year member of St. John’s; Served on council numerous times and held the position of President 8 times; Chair of Pastoral Call Committee and member of another Pastoral Call Committee Employed as Sr. Manager in Human Resources (25 years); Started own financial and wealth management service; Served as Coach for various sports programs including soccer, baseball and cross country)

Committee on Discipline, Scioto Conference—Lay Male (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	M			6	Michael Northrup, Member of Calvary Lutheran Church, Chillicothe; Served as President and member of Congregational Council between 1991 and present Served on Design Review Board for City of Chillicothe
	M			6	Bill Baer, Member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Pomeroy; Member of St. Paul’s since 1960; Served as council member for 17 years; Council President (past) Taught Sunday School; Taught Confirmation classes; Assisted with the call process for pastor at congregation Served as court appointed instructor for court referrals for alcoholics in Meigs County; Retired Elementary Educator (31 years of service); Served on Meigs County Soil and Water Conservation District for many terms

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Consultation Committee, Cincinnati Conference—Clergy (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	M			5	Fred Cook, Pastor of Resurrection Lutheran Church, Lebanon; Served several congregations as interim pastor; Certified Chaplain with College of Chaplains to work with family conflict Amazing Grace Day Camp; Work with certification process of prospective Chaplains in the Lutheran Church Wide experience in urban ministry and community development; Concentration on mental health needs of indigent and homeless community.
	F			3	Nicole Kelly, Pastor of Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, Cincinnati; Served as Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministries at Trinity Lutheran Church, Mt. Healthy; Intern at Abiding Christ Lutheran Church, Fairborn (past)

Consultation Committee, Central Ohio Conference—Clergy (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

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	M	X	X	5	Anthony Chatman, Pastor of St. Phillips Evangelical Lutheran Church, Columbus; Synod Council in Arkansas/Oklahoma Synod Youth leader for central Tennessee; Supervisor for youth in State custody.
	M			4	Chuck Peterson, Pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Columbus (2009-present); St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Milwaukee, WI (2000-2005); St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Palmyra, WI (1997-2000) Works closely with his local cluster and ministerial groups; Reference and Council Committee at 2011 Southern Ohio Synod Assembly; Campus Ministry Board for Greater Milwaukee Synod (2003-2005) Taught "Contemporary Ethical Problems and Religious Perspectives," senior capstone course at Capital University (2013); Volunteer at Faith Mission and LSS Food Pantry (2009-present); Central City Churches Board of Directors, Milwaukee, WI (2001-2005)

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Consultation Committee, Dayton Conference—Clergy (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

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	M			6	Steve Kimpel, Pastor of Faith and St. Mark’s Lutheran Churches, Dayton; Zion Lutheran Church, West Jefferson (past) Synod Stewardship Committee; Synod Lay Academy of Theology; Synod Leadership Development Board of Trustees of South Community, Inc.; Community Rep. at Wright State University Laboratory Animal Care and Use Committee; Board of Trustees of Womanline
	M			5	Ron Wean, Specialized Ministry Pastoral Counselor at Miami Valley Hospital, Dayton and Interim Pastor of Mighty Fortress Lutheran Church, Kettering; Experience doing interventions regarding conflict resolution with a Presbyterian church; Organizational development with an Episcopal church Resolutions Committee in another synod Conduct webinars on conflict resolution; Conduct seminars for change management; Supervisory training for approx. 120 different organizations, both public and private.

Consultation Committee, Northwest Conference—Clergy (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	F			6	Susan Nelson, Pastor of Abiding Christ Lutheran Church, Fairborn; Outreach Task Force for Southern Ohio Synod; Trinity Lutheran Seminary Board Member Habitat for Humanity
	F			6	Cheryl Siegenthaler, Pastor of Philadelphia Lutheran Church, Bellefontaine; Bell Choir (15 years); Stephen Minister; Wrote booklet titled “The Sun Still Rises,” a grief support devotional First Call Theological Education planning committee (past); Presenter at First Call Theological Education gathering “Small Church Means Big Mission”; Assembly Elections & Resolutions Committees (past)

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Consultation Committee, Muskingum Conference—Clergy (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	M			4	<p>Mark Combs, Pastor of St. John’s Lutheran Church, Zanesville (2007-present); Pastor of First Lutheran Church, Dayton (2003-2007); Pastor/Redeveloper of Resurrection Lutheran Church, Oakdale, PA (2000-2003)</p> <p>Muskingum Conference President (2009-present); Downtown Zanesville Ministerial (ecumenical) group (2007-present); Extensive experience with outdoor ministries</p> <p>Volunteer Firefighter/EMT-B/Trustee, National Trail VFD, Gratiot, Ohio; Assistant Webeloes Den Leader, Cub Scout Pack 100, Zanesville; Volunteer on Clergy Advisory Board at Genesis Healthcare System, Zanesville (past)</p>
	M			4	<p>Steve Mahaffey, Pastor of St. Luke Lutheran Church, Marietta for 9+ years (current); Amazing Grace Day Camp host congregation for 9 years at offsite location in Macksburg; Ex-officio member of all committees, as well as lead the DivorceCare Ministry of the congregation</p> <p>Muskingum Conference Council for two consecutive terms (2005-2011); Call Committee member in selection of new Assistant to the Bishop for Muskingum Conference (past); Nominating Committee Member (2013)</p>

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Consultation Committee, Scioto Conference—Clergy (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	M			5	Paul Elhard, Adjunct Pastor at Christ Lutheran Church, Athens (2010-present); Pastor, St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Logan (1997-2006); Pastor, Friedens Lutheran Church, Covington (1989-1995)
	F			6	Linea Warmke, Pastor of St. John Lutheran Church, Racine; Past President of Church Council; Past Chair of Stewardship, Education, Evangelism and Mutual Ministry Committee 2007 Churchwide Assembly Voting Member; 2009 Churchwide Assembly Voting Member; Co-founder and member of the Lay School of Theology Committee Past President of Athens County Chapter Red Cross; Past Secretary of Athens County Habitat for Humanity; Volunteer Chaplain of Rock Springs Rehabilitation Center and O’Bleness Memorial Hospital

Consultation Committee, Central Ohio Conference—Lay Female (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	F			6	Donna Bowman, Member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Columbus; Altar Guild, Team Leader for B.R.E.A.D., a community based group to promote social justice through legislative activity; Serve at Lutheran Social Services Food Pantry Board of Trustees for Maryhaven, a facility to treat addictive behaviors primarily in low income persons; Various committees of Columbus Bar Association; Neighborhood volunteer (German Village House and Garden Tour, Art Crawl, Shakespeare in the Park)
	F			6	Barbara Renshaw, Member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Columbus (New Rome); Youth Committee; History Committee; Sunday School Teacher Attend Southern Ohio Synod Assemblies; Attend Central Ohio Conference Meeting Work at Food Pantry; Work at Faith Mission

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Consultation Committee, Dayton Conference—Lay Female (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	F			6	Lorrie Morris, Member of Epiphany Lutheran Church, Centerville; Past Council President; Past Sunday School Superintendant and teacher; Past Committee Chairperson for Nominating, Evangelism and Long-rang Planning Committees ELCA Abortion Task Force; Past ALC division of theological education and ministry; Past ALC synodical Vice President and Treasurer Past Nurse Administrator/Director of Women’s Health; Developed programs for socially high risk pregnant women and babies for African American Women’s Health; Board president of United Health Solutions and Teen Pregnancy Coalition
	F			6	Lynn Spatz, Member of Christ the King Lutheran Church, Centerville; Congregational President (2011-2012, 2013-2014); Attended Leadership Institute as congregational representative; Stewardship chair for year round stewardship efforts Member of Mental Wellness and Recovery Task Force; Member of 4G Networking group; Hunger Task Force (past) Work with The Castle, a 501c(3) organizations that is a day drop in center for people living with mental illness.; Presented at SynodFest 2012 for Mental Wellness and Recovery Task Force; Member of the West Carrollton Property Maintenance Board of Appeals for 6 years.

Consultation Committee, Scioto Conference—Lay Female (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	F			6	Brenda Dardinger, Member of Calvary Lutheran Church, Chillicothe; Taught VBS, Sunday School and Catechism; Leader for Bible Studies; Chairperson of the Evangelism/Outreach Committee/Team Lay voting member at several Synod Assemblies Breaking the Fast; Community Prayer Group; Feed a Meal; All events raise awareness of hungry and those in need in other ways
	F			3	Beth Hedges, Member of Calvary Orthodox Lutheran Church, Lancaster; Church council (5 years); Chairperson for Call Committee (current) Attended Southern Ohio Synod SynodFest 2012

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Consultation Committee, Cincinnati Conference—Lay Male (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	M			5	Steve Hoffsis, Member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cincinnati (1987-present); Regular participation in worship service as a reader, communion assistant and usher; Church Council (twice); Church Council Secretary (once) Synod Constitution Committee Graceworks Lutheran Services Board (9 years); Served as Board President for 2 years and on Executive Committee for 7 years; Still serving on Nominating Committee and Investment Committee
	M			6	Will Lapp, Member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Franklin; Served as Congregational President; Treasurer; Property Committee Chair Synod Congregational Ministries and Support Team (current); Reference and Council Committee; Certified Lay Worship Leader Active in the AARP Foundation Tax-Aide program that provides free income tax prep for lower income 60+ persons (past 10 years); Served on sub state of OH3 State Management Team (past 6 years); Treasurer for Salvation Army money distributed through Franklin, Ohio Food Pantry

Consultation Committee, Northwest Conference—Lay Male (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	M			5	Gary Obringer, Member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Arcanum (2009-2013); Trustee for past 4 years Rebuilt Vietnam Memorial for Bears Mill; Build and donate for Toys for Tots
	M			5	Dave Tipton, Member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, West Milton; Council Member for 4 separate 3-year terms; Lay Worship Assistant (3 years); Christian Education Coordinator (2 years) Volunteer 5/2 Lunch Bunch Program; Volunteer Son Rise Breakfast; Union Steward Local 4322 CWA

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

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Consultation Committee, Muskingum Conference—Lay Male (Term 2013-2019)

(one to be elected)

I	S	C	L	A	BIOGRAPHY
	M			6	Roy Bleisath, Member of Christ’s Lutheran Church, Cambridge; Council member, Operational Support Committee; Call Committee
	M			6	Keith Hanson, Member of St. Luke’s Lutheran Church, Marietta (19 years); Served 3 full terms on Church Council; Assisting Minister; Church Handbell Choir Member of local Family & Children First Council; Community Crisis Response Team; Licensed independent Marriage & Family Therapist