

## Open Positions for Nominations

### Cluster Dean (*lay or clergy; no term specified*)

The GMS Constitution indicates (S12.01.02.) that “each mission cluster shall:

- a. Select its own name.
- b. Prepare a mission statement.
- c. Choose leadership for planning.
- d. Provide regular opportunities for meetings, the exchange of ideas and concerns, and the nurturing of collegiality.
- e. Nominate persons from its cluster according to Appendix 1 & 2 to serve (1) on the Synod Council; and (2) to be a voting member of the Churchwide Assembly.”

We have recently interpreted this to mean that there is to be a dean for each mission cluster, but no terms or limitations are specified, unless a specific cluster has adopted them. I would like to propose that each cluster annually elect or re-elect a dean from among its members. This person may be a rostered minister or a layperson, and their responsibilities will be to:

- a. Organize periodic meetings of the cluster
- b. Act as a facilitator of communications between the synod leadership and the congregations
- c. Participate in regular meetings of the Cluster Deans, facilitated by the bishop and/or synod staff.

## Nominating Committee Nominees

### Churchwide Assembly (*1 position listed below, August 5-10, 2019*)

To be voted on by the Synod Council. Nominations should be submitted directly to the Synod Office.

- **At Large, person of color or primary language is other than English, youth/young adult**

### Synod Council (*3 positions listed below and 2 additional listings under Synod Council Nominees*)

The Synod Council shall be the board of directors of this synod and shall serve as its interim legislative authority between meetings of the Synod Assembly.

- **At Large, Clergy** (*full term 9/1/2019 – 8/31/2023*)
- **At Large, Lay Female** (*full term 9/1/2019 – 8/31/2023*)
- **At Large, Lay Male** (*full term 9/1/2019 – 8/31/2023*)

### Consultation Committee (*5 positions listed below*)

To be voted on by the Synod Assembly. Nominations by the Nominating Committee

The role of the discipline committee is spelled out in detail in chapter 20 of the ELCA’s constitution, focusing on working to resolve conflicts within the synod and in congregations. The term of service is six years and members may not be elected to consecutive terms.

- **At Large, Lay Female** (*full term 9/1/19 – 8/31/25*)
- **At Large, Clergy – 2 positions** (*full term 9/1/19 – 8/31/25*)
- **At Large, Lay Male** (*full term 9/1/19 – 8/31/25*)
- **At Large, Lay Male** (*partial term: now – 8/31/2021*)

## Synod Council Nominees

### Synod Council (*2 positions listed below and 3 additional listings under Nominating Committee Nominees*)

The Synod Council shall be the board of directors of this synod and shall serve as its interim legislative authority between meetings of the Synod Assembly.

- **Youth** (*full term 9/1/2019 – 8/31/2020*)
- **Secretary** (*full term 9/1/2019 – 8/31/2023*) Information from the Greater Milwaukee Constitution **S8.30** is below. A full job description is available on our website: <https://bit.ly/2DJPoR5>

†S8.31. *The secretary shall be elected by the Synod Assembly. The secretary shall be a voting member of a congregation of this synod. The secretary may be either a layperson or a minister of Word and Sacrament.*

†S8.32. *The secretary shall:*

a. Keep the minutes of all meetings of the Synod Assembly and Synod Council, be responsible for the printing and distribution of such minutes, and perform such other duties as this synod may from time to time direct.

b. Be authorized and empowered, in the name of this synod, to attest all instruments which require the same, and which are signed and sealed by the bishop.

c. In consultation with the bishop, classify and arrange all important papers and documents and deposit them in the archives of this synod.

d. Submit to the secretary of this church at least nine months before the Churchwide Assembly a certified list of the regular and alternate voting members elected by the Synod Assembly.

#### **Nominating Committee (3 openings listed below)**

All positions nominated and appointed by Synod Council

- **At Large, Lay Female** (partial term: now – Synod Assembly 2021)
- **At Large, Lay Male** (partial term: now – Synod Assembly 2019)
- **At Large, Lay Male** (full term: Synod Assembly 2019 – Synod Assembly 2022)

### **Belle City Cluster Nominees**

**Nominating Committee, Lay Male** (partial term: now – Synod Assembly 2021)

To be appointed by the Synod Council

### **Kenosha/West Racine Cluster Nominees**

**Synod Council, Lay Male** (partial term now through August 31, 2021)

**Nominating Committee, Clergy** (full term: Synod Assembly 2019 – Synod Assembly 2022)

To be appointed by the Synod Council

**Nominating Committee, Lay Male** (partial: now – Synod Assembly 2019)

To be appointed by the Synod Council

### **Lake Country Cluster Nominees**

**Synod Council, Lay Female, person of color or whose primary language is not English** (full term 9/1/2019 – 8/31/2023)

### **Milwaukee 1 Cluster Nominees**

**Nominating Committee, Lay Male** (partial term: now – Synod Assembly 2020)

To be appointed by the Synod Council

### **Milwaukee 2 Cluster Nominees**

**Nominating Committee, Lay Male** (partial term: now – Synod Assembly 2021)

To be appointed by the Synod Council

### **Milwaukee 3 Cluster Nominees**

**Synod Council, Clergy** (full term 9/1/2019 – 8/31/2023)

**Nominating Committee, Lay Male** (full term: Synod Assembly 2019 – Synod Assembly 2022)

To be appointed by the Synod Council

**Nominating Committee, Lay Female** (partial term: now – Synod Assembly 2019)

To be appointed by the Synod Council

## **Milwaukee 4 Cluster Nominees**

**Synod Council, Lay Female** (*full term 9/1/2019 – 8/31/2023*)

**Nominating Committee, Lay Female** (*partial term: now – Synod Assembly 2020*)

To be appointed by the Synod Council

## **Northern Lakeshore Cluster Nominees**

None

## **Northwest Cluster Nominees**

**Nominating Committee, Lay Female** (*full term: Synod Assembly 2019 – Synod Assembly 2022*)

To be appointed by the Synod Council

**Nominating Committee, Clergy** (*partial term: now – Synod Assembly 2019*)

To be appointed by the Synod Council

## **Waukesha Cluster Nominees**

**Synod Council, Lay Male, person of color or whose primary language is not English** (*full term 9/1/2019 – 8/31/2023*)

**Nominating Committee, Clergy** (*partial term: now – Synod Assembly 2021*)

To be appointed by the Synod Council