

## **SCSW Synod Position Descriptions**

### *Synod Council*

- Rostered Male (1) - 3-year term
- Lay Female (1) - 3-year term
- Youth (1) - 2-year term (Note: Nominees for the youth member position must not have reached their 18th birthday at the time of election.)

The Synod Council is the Board of Directors of the Synod and is its interim legislative authority between meetings of the Synod Assembly. The Council makes decisions not in conflict with actions taken by the Synod Assembly or not precluded by provisions of the Synod's constitution and bylaws or the constitution and bylaws of the ELCA.

### *Consultation Committee*

- Rostered Female (1) - 6-year term
- Rostered Male (1) - 6-year term
- Lay Female (2) - 6-year term

The Synod Consultation Committee is a constitutionally mandated committee which serves in an advisory capacity for the Office of the Bishop. The Consultation Committee may be called upon to help navigate disagreements or disputes within or between congregations.

### *Committee on Discipline*

- Rostered Male (1) - 6-year term
- Rostered Female (1) - 6-year term
- Lay Male (2) - 6-year term
- Lay Female (1) - 6-year term

The Committee on Discipline is a constitutionally mandated committee which acts to administer a thorough review and, as necessary, discipline process upon congregations and rostered ministers. The Committee on Discipline meets on the call of the Office of the Bishop should charges be either pending or submitted.

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## ELCA Church Council Nominees

- 2 Lay Males - 6-year term

*(Special note regarding these nominations: The two people "elected" at our 2024 Synod Assembly will have their names brought forward as nominees for one ELCA Church Council position. One lay male from the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin will be elected to a six-year term at the 2025 ELCA Churchwide Assembly.)*

From the ELCA's website: "The Church Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America is both the board of directors of a Minnesota nonprofit corporation and the interim legislative authority of the churchwide organization, one of the three "expressions" of a denomination with deep roots in the U.S. In fulfilling its dual constitutional roles, the Church Council exercises fiduciary, strategic, and generative responsibilities to govern the ELCA churchwide organization."

*2025 ELCA Churchwide Assembly - July 28 - August 2, 2025 in Phoenix, AZ*

### Rostered

- Male (3)
- Female (2) + SCSW Bishop

### Lay

- Male (3) + SCSW Vice President
- Female (4)
- Any Gender (1)
- Youth/Young Adult (1)
- Person of Color (1)

The Churchwide Assembly is the highest legislative body of the ELCA. The assembly will gather in 2025 and will review the work of the churchwide officers and churchwide units; receive and consider proposals from synod assemblies; establish churchwide policy; adopt a budget for the churchwide organization; elect officers, board members, and other persons as provided in the constitution or bylaws; establish churchwide units to carry out the functions of the churchwide organization; have the sole authority to amend the constitution and bylaws; fulfill other functions as required in the constitution and bylaws; conduct such other business as necessary to further the purposes and functions of the churchwide organization. (Source: <https://www.elca.org/about/leadership/churchwide-assembly>)



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