

**Central States Synod, ELCA Assembly 2009
Positions Needing Nominations**

Synod Council Positions

Position	Qualifications	Responsibilities
Synod Council Member Area Ministry 2 3 Year Term Note: Incumbent eligible for second term of election	1. Clergy 2. Female 3. Voting member of a congregation in Area Ministry 2 of the Central States Synod	1. The Synod Council shall be the board of directors of the synod and shall serve as its interim legislative authority between meetings of the Synod Assembly. 2. Attend Synod Council meetings, ordinarily 3 each year. [Note: Members of the Executive Committee are appointed from the elected membership of the Synod Council. Members who accept appointments to the Executive Committee would attend Executive Committee meetings in addition to Synod Council meetings.] 3. Serve as a member of the Area Ministry Executive Committee of the area ministry from which they are nominated.
Synod Council Member Area Ministry 5 3 Year Term Note: Incumbent eligible for second term of election	1. Lay 2. Male 3. Voting member of a congregation in Area Ministry 5 of the Central States Synod	
Synod Council Member Area Ministry 8 3 Year Term Note: Incumbent eligible for second term of election	1. Lay 2. Female 3. Voting member of a congregation in Area Ministry 8 of the Central States Synod	
Synod Council Member Area Ministry 9 3 Year Term Note: Incumbent eligible for second term of election	1. Clergy 2. Male 3. Rostered in Central States Synod	
Synod Council Member Area Ministry 10 3 Year Term Note: Incumbent eligible for first full term of election	1. Lay 2. Male 3. Voting member of a congregation in Area Ministry 10 of the Central States Synod	

Synod Council Positions - continued

<p>Synod Council Member At Large</p> <p>3 Year Term</p> <p>Note: Incumbent eligible for second term of election</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lay 2. Male 3. Voting member of a congregation in the Central States Synod 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Synod Council shall be the board of directors of the synod and shall serve as its interim legislative authority between meetings of the Synod Assembly. 2. Attend Synod Council meetings, ordinarily 3 each year.
<p>Synod Council Member At Large POC/LOE*</p> <p>3 Year Term</p> <p>Note: There are no nominees for this position at this time. This position needs nominations from the floor at the Synod Assembly in 2009.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Person of Color and/or Language Other Than English*. 3. Lay Person 4. Male 5. Voting member of a congregation of the Central States Synod 	
<p>Synod Council Member Youth At Large</p> <p>2 Year Term</p> <p>Note: This position is elected by synod youth attending ELCA Youth Gathering, not the Synod Assembly. Incumbent eligible for second term of election.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Youth 2. Lay Person 3. Female 4. Voting member of a congregation of the Central States Synod 	

* "The term, 'persons of color and/or persons whose primary language is other than English,' shall be understood to mean African American, Black, Arab and Middle Eastern, Asian and Pacific Islander, Latino, American Indian, and Alaska Native people. This definition, however, shall not be understood as limiting this church's commitment to inclusive participation in its life and work."
Constitution, Bylaws, and Continuing Resolutions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America" section .01.C00.

Synod Committees

<p>Consultation Committee Member At Large</p> <p>6 Year Term (one time)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lay 2. Female or Male 2. Voting member of a congregation of the Central States Synod 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Consultation Committee is convened to assist congregations in resolving disagreements among factions of a congregation regarding substantive issues which cannot be resolved by internal means or in consultation with the bishop. 2. This committee is convened only as needed.
<p>Consultation Committee Member At Large</p> <p>6 Year Term (one time)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lay 2. Female or Male 3. Voting member of a congregation of the Central States Synod 	
<p>Discipline Committee Member At Large Clergy</p> <p>6 Year Term (one time)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clergy 2. Female or Male 3. Rostered in Central States Synod 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Discipline Committee assists the synod through investigations regarding possible disciplinary issues and in actions or recommendations for action based on the results of the investigations. 2. This committee is convened only as needed.
<p>Discipline Committee Member At Large Clergy</p> <p>6 Year Term (one time)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clergy 2. Female or Male 3. Rostered in Central States Synod 	
<p>Discipline Committee Member At Large Lay Male</p> <p>6 Year Term (one time)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lay 2. Male 3. Voting member of a congregation of the Central States Synod 	