

# Present Membership and 2021 Nominations

## Synod Council

Bishop: The Rev. Jeffrey Clements – First, DeKalb (Northeast Conference) (term expires 2022)  
Vice President: Ms. Minnette Scott – Freedom, Oregon (Central Conference) (term expires 2023)  
Secretary: The Rev. Don Knowles – Calvary, Moline and St. James, Rock Island (West Conference) (term expires 2022)  
Treasurer: Ms. Tammie Farley – Bethlehem, DeKalb (Northeast Conference) (term expires 2023)  
Ms. Monique Castillo – Immanuel, Rock Falls (Central Conference) (term expires 2021)\*  
The Rev. Cathy Daharsh – Bethany, Crystal Lake (Northeast Conference) (term expires 2021)\*  
The Rev. Robert Franek – Emmanuel, Rockford (North Conference) (term expires 2022)  
The Rev. Brad Haugen – Followers of Christ (East Conference) (term expires 2021)\*  
Ms. Nancy Lillevold – Prince of Peace, Freeport (Northwest Conference) term expired 2020, extended 2021)\*  
Mr. Ryan Mackey – Trinity, Manlius (Central Conference) (Central Conference) (term expired 2020, extended 2021)\*  
Mr. George Sanchez – New Life, Bolingbrook (East Conference) (term expires 2022)  
Mr. Jim Spring – Bethany, Leland (South Conference) (term expires 2021)\*  
Ms. Carol Swenson- Our Savior’s, Rockford (North Conference) (term expires 2020, extended 2021)\*  
The Rev. Andy Tyrrell – Grace, Richmond (Northeast Conference) (term expires 2021)\*  
Ms. Taylor Ufkin – Immanuel, Dixon (Central Conference) (appointed term expires 2021)\*  
Dn. Carla Vanatta – Salem, Sycamore (Northeast Conference) (Term expires 2022)  
The Rev. Janet Wold – All Saints, Byron (Central Conference) (term expires 2022)  
Youth Representative: Ms. Madi Casteel – Cambridge, Cambridge (West Conference) (term expires 2021)\*

\*Term expires in 2021 and standing for re-election

## Synod Council Nominations – Elect 10

LAITY Female Nominee for Synod Council:	Vote for 1 (2-year term)
Ms. Carol Swenson – Our Savior’s, Rockford (North Conference)	
LAITY Male Nominee for Synod Council:	Vote for 1 (2-year term)
Mr. Ryan Mackey – Trinity, Manlius (Central Conference)	
LAITY Female Nominee for Synod Council, person of color:	Vote for 1 (2-year term)
Ms. Monique Castillo - Immanuel, Rock Falls (Central Conference)	
LAITY Female Nominee for Synod Council, Young Adult:	Vote for 1 (2-year term)
Ms Taylor Ufkin – Immanuel, Dixon (Central Conference)	

(Must be aged 18 – 29 when elected)

ROSTERED MINISTER Female Nominee for Synod Council                      Vote for 1 (2–year term)

The Rev. Cathy Daharsh – Bethany, Crystal Lake (Northeast Conference)

YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE Nominee for Synod Council:                      Vote for 1 (1–year term)

(Must be a confirmed member of a congregation of this synod and shall be at least fifteen and less than nineteen years of age when elected.)

Ms. Madi Casteel – Cambridge, Cambridge (West Conference)

LAITY Female Nominee for Synod Council:                      Vote for 1 (3–year term)

Ms. Nancy Lillevold – Prince of Peace, Freeport (Northwest Conference)

LAITY Male Nominee for Synod Council:                      Vote for 1 (3–year term)

Mr. Jim Spring– Bethany, Leland (South Conference)

ROSTERED MINISTER Male Nominee for Synod Council                      Vote for 1 (3–year term)

The Rev. Peter Bredlau – Trinity, Moline, (West Conference)

The Rev. Andy Tyrrell – Grace, Richmond (Northeast Conference)

ROSTERED MINISTER Male Nominee for Synod Council                      Vote for 1 (3–year term)

The Rev. Mike Thomas – Zion, Rockford (North Conference)

The Rev. Brad Haugen – Followers of Christ, Plainfield (East Conference)

## **Congregational Life Committee**

The Rev. Scott Benolkin – Shepherd of the Valley, Rockford (North Conference) (term expires 2021)

Mr. Walt Farley – Salem, Sandwich (East Conference) (term expires 2021)

The Rev. Nathan Feig – Trinity, Ottawa (South Conference) (term expires 2023)

Mr. Brandon Graves – Salem, Sycamore (Northeast Conference (term expires 2021)\*)

Ms. Georgiana Grossman–Immanuel, Amboy (Central Conference) (term expires 2021)\*

Ms. Kim Halper – Nativity, Wonder Lake (Northeast Conference) (term expires 2021)

The Rev. Jana Howson – Faith, Joliet (East Conference) (term expires 2022)

Ms. Kay Johnson – All Saints, Byron (Central Conference) term expires 2021)

The Rev. Elizabeth Mascal – Bethlehem, DeKalb (Northeast Conference) (term expires 2022)

Mr. Mike Parmele, chairperson – Shepherd of the Prairie, Huntley (Northeast Conference) (term expires 2021)

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## **Congregational Life Committee Nominations—Elect 5**

LAITY Female Nominee Congregational Life Committee:                      Vote for 1 (2–year term)

Ms. Georgiana Grossman – Immanuel, Amboy (Central Conference)

LAITY Male Nominee for Congregational Life Committee                      Vote for 1 (2–year term)

Mr. Brandon Graves– Salem, Sycamore (Northeast Conference)  
ROSTERED MINISTER Male Nominee Congregational Life Committee: Vote for 1 (2–year term)  
The Rev. Christopher Lee – First, Rock Island (West Conference)  
LAITY Female Nominee Congregational Life Committee: Vote for 1 (3–year term)  
Ms. Carol Johnson – Prince of Peace, Freeport (Northwest Conference)  
LAITY Male Nominee for Congregational Life Committee Vote for 1 (3-year term)  
Mr. Kent Kindelsperger– Swedona, Lynn Center (Southwest Conference)

## **Global Mission Committee**

The Rev. Jessica Bakken – St. John’s, Ashton (resigned 1/2021, took call outside the NIS)  
Mr. Ron Gustafson- Grace, Loves Park (North Conference) (term expires 2022)  
Mr. Greg Johnson – Calvary, Moline (West Conference) (term expires 2021)  
The Rev. Jane McChesney – First, Rockford (North Conference) (deceased 2/2021)  
Mr. Nathaniel Knutson – Peace, New Lenox (East Conference) (term expires 2021)  
Mr. Art Milton – Trinity, Moline (West Conference) (term expires 2021) (Chairperson)  
The Rev. Reed Pedersen – Augustana, Andover (West Conference) (term expires 2022)  
Ms. Esther Prabhakar–Faith, Rochelle (Central Conference) (term expires 2022)  
The Rev. Chris Schoon – St. John’s, Somonauk (South Conference) (term expires 2021)\*  
Mr. Chuck Steinbach – Immanuel, Earlville (South Conference) (term expires 2021)  
Ms. Wallie Stewart – Grace, Loves Park (North Conference) (term expires 2023)  
The Rev. Daniel Wynard – Alpine, Rockford (North Conference) (term expires 2021)  
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## **Global Mission Committee Nominations—Elect 7**

ROSTERED MINISTER Female Nominee Global Mission Committee: Vote for 1 (1-year term)  
The Rev. Tammy Anderson- Bethesda, Morrison (Central Conference)  
LAITY Female Nominee Global Mission Committee: Vote for 1 (2–year term)  
Ms. Janet Larson – First, Geneseo (West Conference)  
LAITY Male Nominee for Global Mission Committee: Vote for 1 (2-year term)  
Mr. Mike Wadle– First, DeKalb (Northeast Conference)  
ROSTERED MINISTER Female Nominee Global Mission Committee: Vote for 1 (2–year term)  
The Rev. Chris Schoon – St. John’s, Somonauk (South Conference)  
LAITY Male Nominee for Global Mission Committee: Vote for 1 (3-year term)  
Dr. Alan Esker – First, DeKalb (Northeast Conference)  
ROSTERED MINISTER Female Nominee Global Mission Committee: Vote for 1 (3–year term)  
The Rev. Makayla Dahleen– St. Paul’s, Sterling (Central Conference)

ROSTERED MINISTER Male Nominee for Global Mission Committee: Vote for 1 (3-year term)  
The Rev. Tucker O'Leary – Grace, Knoxville (Southwest Conference)

## Ministry Support Committee

The Rev. Jen Beamsley – St. John, Joliet (East Conference) (term expires 2021)\*  
Ms. Donna Kelly – Shepherd of the Prairie, Huntley (term expires 2022)  
The Rev. Karyn Kost – Freedom, Oregon/St. James (Central Conference) (term expires 2022;  
resigned from committee)  
The Rev. Doug Liston – Joyful Harvest, Johnsburg (Northeast Conference) (term expires 2021)\*  
The Rev. Vince Marolla – First, Galesburg (Southwest Conference) (term expires 2021)\*  
Mr. Bill Nelson – First, Geneseo (West Conference) (term expires 2021)\*  
Mr. Ken Reinhardt – Salem, Sycamore (Northeast Conference) (term expires 2021)  
The Rev. Jeff Schlesinger – Heart of Illinois Parish (Immanuel, Compton and First, Lee) (Central  
and Northeast Conferences) (term expires 2021)  
Ms. Deanna Swanson – Augustana, Andover (West Conference) (deceased 9-24-2020)  
Ms. Carol Swenson – Our Savior's, Rockford (North Conference) (term expires 2021)  
Ms. Kristen Vorrier – St. John, Joliet (East Conference) (term expires 2022)  
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## Ministry Support Committee Nominations – Elect 8

LAITY Female Nominee Ministry Support Committee: Vote for 1 (1-year term)  
~~Ms. Abbey Cathelyn – First, Geneseo (West Conference)~~  
ROSTERED MINISTER Female Nominee Ministry Support Committee: Vote for 1 (1-year term)  
The Rev. Sharon Rogers – First, DeKalb (Northeast Conference)  
LAITY Male Nominee Ministry Support Committee: Vote for 1 (2-year term)  
Mr. Jim Cantrell – Peace, Morris (East Conference)  
ROSTERED MINISTER Female Nominee Ministry Support Committee: Vote for 1 (2-year term)  
The Rev. Jen Beamsley - St. John, Joliet (East Conference)  
ROSTERED MINISTER Male Nominee Ministry Support Committee: Vote for 1 (2-year term)  
The Rev. Doug Liston – Joyful Harvest, Johnsburg (Northeast Conference)  
LAITY Female Nominee Ministry Support Committee: Vote for 1 (3-year term)  
Ms. Julie Eshleman – St. Mark, Rockford (North Conference)  
LAITY Male Nominee Ministry Support Committee: Vote for 1 (3-year term)  
Mr. Bill Nelson – First, Geneseo (West Conference)  
ROSTERED MINISTER Male Nominee Ministry Support Committee: Vote for 1 (3-year term)  
The Rev. Vince Marolla – First, Galesburg (Southwest Conference)

## Outreach Committee

The Rev. Stacie Fidler – St. John’s, Rock Island (West Conference) (term expires 2021)\*  
The Rev. Matthew Kamprath – First, Geneseo (West Conference) (term expires 2021)  
Mr. Nathan Knowles – Freedom, Oregon (Central Conference) (term expires 2022)  
The Rev. Frank Langholf – Trinity, Galesburg (Southwest Conference) (term expires 2022)  
Ms. Luz Malpica – Bethany, Crystal Lake (Northeast Conference) (term expires 2023)  
Ms. Joyce Meier – Bethany, Crystal Lake (Northeast Conference) (term expires 2021)  
The Rev. Brandon Nelson – St. Paul’s, Sterling (Central Conference) (term expires 2021)\*  
Ms. Amanda Schanze – First, Prophetstown (Central Conference) (term expires 2022)  
Ms. Janet Stoller – Peace, New Lenox (East Conference) (term expires 2021)  
Mr. Stewart Walk – Salem, Rockford (North Conference) (term expires 2021)  
The Rev. Sarah Wilson – St. Barnabas, Cary (Northeast Conference) term expires 2021)\*  
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## Outreach Committee Nominations—Elect 4

LAITY Female Nominee for Outreach Committee: Vote for 1 (2-year term)  
Ms. Lisa Gerloff-Banker – Grace, Woodstock (Northeast Conference)  
ROSTERED MINISTER Female Nominee for Outreach Committee: Vote for 1 (2-year term)  
The Rev. Stacie Fidler – St. John’s, Rock Island (West Conference)  
ROSTERED MINISTER Female Nominee for Outreach Committee: Vote for 1 (3-year term)  
The Rev. Sarah Wilson – St. Barnabas, Cary (Northeast Conference)  
ROSTERED MINISTER Male Nominees Outreach Committee Vote for 1 (3-year term)  
The Rev. Brandon Nelson - GPS Faith Community, MacChesney Park (North Conference)

## Social Ministry Committee

Ms. Brynn Conway – Living Waters, Crystal Lake (Northeast Conference) (term expires 2021)  
The Rev. Katie Gallagher – Faith, Wataga (Southwest Conference) (term expires 2023)  
The Rev. Jacob Gawlik – St. John’s, Sterling (Central Conference) (term expires 2021)  
Ms. Amy Hoening – GPS Faith Community (North Conference) (term expires 2021, resigned from committee)  
Dr. Peter Kivisto – St. John’s, Rock Island (West Conference) (term expires 2021)\*  
Mr. Andy Koresko – Messiah, Aledo (Southwest Conference) (term expires 2021)  
Ms. Marian Myers – St. Paul, Dixon (Central Conference) (term expires 2022)  
The Rev. Chuck Olson – Calvary, Rockford (North Conference) (term expires 2022)





