



# **Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod**

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

**To: Rostered Leaders, Congregations, Synod Council Members, and Executive Officers of Synod Related Social Ministry Organizations, Agencies, and Institutions**

**From: Pr. Lydia Posselt, Chair, Nominating Committee, Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod**

**Re: Nominations for 2020 Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod Assembly**

**Date: November 2019**

The Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod's Nominating Committee is asking for your help in identifying gifted and qualified persons, both clergy and lay, to serve as nominees for election at the **Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod Assembly on May 1-2, 2020**

Every year the Synod Assembly elects members of the **Synod Council**, which serves as "the board of directors of the synod" and "its interim legislative authority between meetings of the Synod Assembly." The 2020 assembly will elect the following:

### **Synod Council positions:**

- 3 ministers of Word and Sacrament, terms ending 2023
- 1 lay woman, Chester Conference representative, term ending 2023
- 1 lay woman, Lower Bucks Conference representative, term ending 2023
- 1 lay man, Lower Montgomery Conference representative, term ending 2023
- 1 lay woman at large, term ending in 2023
- 1 lay man at large, term ending in 2023

### **Committee on Discipline:**

- 2 ministers of Word and Sacrament, term ending 2026
- 1 lay man, term ending 2026
- 1 lay woman, term ending 2026

### **Consultation Committee**

- 2 Ministers of Word and Sacrament, term ending 2022
- 2 Ministers of Word and Sacrament, term ending 2024
  
- 1 lay man, term ending 2022

- 1 lay man, term ending 2024
- 1 lay woman, term ending 2022
- 1 lay woman, term ending 2024

The Nominating Committee requires all nominees submit a digital photo of themselves and respond to the following questions – (1) List your top five spiritual gifts and/or personal gifts you would bring to the position if elected, and (2) How have you used these gifts in service to the church and your work? Please answer in 50 words or less

A digital photo and response to the questions are required for a nominating form to be considered completed. Nominating forms submitted without the required information will not be accepted and will not be placed in nomination.

Completed nominating forms, and answers to the “spiritual and personal gifts” question, should be sent to:

**Pr. Lydia Posselt, Nominating Committee Chairperson**  
[revlydiaposselt@gmail.com](mailto:revlydiaposselt@gmail.com)

Digital photos must be sent to:

**Ms. Cynta Outterbridge**  
**Database Manager**  
**Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod**  
[coutterbridge@sepa.org](mailto:coutterbridge@sepa.org)

**Please note:**

- Those nominated must be active members of congregations of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod.
- As always, we seek a diversity of candidates.
- Before suggesting a person, ask whether the person is willing to serve if elected.
- The Nominating Committee is not required to place in nomination the name of any person suggested.
- Except for the congregations of the officers and the youth and young adult representatives, two people from the same congregation may not serve on the Synod Council at the same time. The Synod Council may make exceptions to this requirement to promote greater diversity and/or inclusivity.
- In light of the level of responsibility and influence of the following positions, it is our practice that a person may serve as one of the following at a time: Synod Council Member, Conference Dean, or Member of the Candidacy Committee. A person serving in any of these roles may stand for election or appointment to another, but if chosen must resign their current position.