



Northern Illinois Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America



2024 Northern Illinois Synod Assembly General Ballot

Those elected are shown in red.

Synod Council Officer Nominations – Elect 1

Treasurer (Lay or Rostered, Male or Female, 4-year term) Vote for 1

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

Synod Council Members – Elect 5

Youth, Confirmed-18 years old (Lay, Male or Female, 1-year term) Vote for 1

Mr. Trace Gallagher (*First, Monmouth – Southwest Conference*)

Lay Female (3-year term) Vote for 1

Ms. Leann Heimerdinger (*St. John's, Pearl City – Northwest Conference*)

Ms. Pat Reynolds (*Trinity, Harvard – Northeast Conference*)

Ms. Kim Halper (*Nativity, Wonder Lake – Northeast Conference*)

Lay Male (3-year term) Vote for 1

Mr. Dave Kromphardt (*St. John's, Peru – South Conference*)

Mr. Terrill Johnson, Sr. (*St. James, Rock Island – West Conference*)

Rostered Male (3-year term) Vote for 1

Rev. Chris Lee (*First, Rock Island – West Conference*)

Rostered Male (3-year term) Vote for 1

Rev. John Rothfusz (*Salem, Sandwich – East Conference*)

Rev. Brandon Nelson (*GPS, Machesney Park – North Conference*)

Congregational Life – Elect 2

Lay Female (3-year term) Vote for 1

Ms. Carol Johnson (*Prince of Peace, Freeport – Northwest Conference*)

Ms. Cortney Breeden (*Swedona, Lynn Center – Southwest Conference*)

Ms. Carol Schulte (*First, Ohio – South Conference*)

Lay Male (3-year term) Vote for 1

Mr. Kent Kindelsperger (*Zion, North Henderson – Southwest Conference*)

Mr. David Crippen (*Bethany, Woodhull – Southwest Conference*)

Global Mission Committee – Elect 3

Lay Male (3-year term) Vote for 1

Dr. Alan Esker (Good Shepherd, Lena – Northwest Conference)

Mr. Don Gillingham (Capron, Capron – North Conference)

Rostered Female (3-year term) Vote for 1

Rev. Makayla Dahleen (St. Paul, Sterling – Central Conference)

Rev. Sue Hoff (Salem, Moline – West Conference)

Rostered Male (3-year term) Vote for 1

Rev. Jonathan Black (First, Plano – East Conference)

Ministry Support Committee – Elect 3

Lay Female (3-year term) Vote for 1

Ms. Julie Eshleman (St. Mark, Rockford – North Conference)

Lay Male (3-year term) Vote for 1

Mr. Jason Gustafson (Cambridge, Cambridge – West Conference)

Mr. Don Anderson (St. John's, Peru – South Conference)

Rostered Male (3-year term) Vote for 1

Rev. Matt Kamprath (First, Geneseo – West Conference)

Outreach Committee – Elect 2

Rostered Female (3-year term) Vote for 1

Rev. Sarah Wilson (St. Barnabas, Cary – Northeast Conference)

Rev. Hope Johnson (Bethany, Leland – South Conference)

Rostered Male (3-year term) Vote for 1

Rev. Dr. Eric Lemonholm (Good Shepherd, Rockford and Trinity, Durand – North and Northwest)

Social Ministry Committee – Elect 2

Lay Male (3-year term) Vote for 1

Mx. David Luecht (St. John, Joliet – East Conference)

Mr. Jon Gustafson (Salem, Moline – West Conference)

Rostered Male (3-year term) Vote for 1

Rev. Patrick Fish (Becoming, Oswego – East Conference)

Churchwide Assembly – Elect 6

Lay Female (Youth/Young Adult) Vote for 1

Ms. Clara Solak (Bethany, Crystal Lake – Northeast Conference)

Ms. Christina King (First, Galesburg – Southwest Conference)

Lay Male (Youth/Young Adult) Vote for 1

Mr. Kurtis Arndt (Alleluia! Naperville – East Conference)

Mr. Luke Snyder (St. Mark, Rockford – North Conference)

Lay Female (Person of Color or First Language Other than English) Vote for 1
Ms. Paula Ebener (Trinity, Moline – West Conference)

Lay Male (Person of Color or First Language Other than English) Vote for 1
Mr. Lavern Allen (*Becoming, Oswego – East Conference*)
Mr. George Sanchez (New Life, Bolingbrook - East Conference)

Lay Male Vote for 1
Mr. Paul Lockwood (*Grace, Woodstock - Northeast Conference*)
Mr. Brandon Graves (Salem, Sycamore – Northeast Conference)
Mr. Don Gillingham (*Capron, Capron – North Conference*)

Rostered Male Vote for 1
Rev. Jacob Gawlik (*St. John, Sterling - Central Conference*)
Rev. Chad McKenna (St. Mark, Rockford – North Conference)

Churchwide Assembly – Affirm Conference Assembly Elections

Bishop (Rostered Female)
Bishop Stacie Fidler (*Bethesda, Morrison - Central Conference*)

Vice President (Lay Female)
Ms. Minnette Willard (*First, DeKalb – Northeast Conference*)

Northwest Conference (Lay Male)
Voting Member: Mr. Mel Ehrler (*Shepherd of the Hills, Scales Mound*)
Alternate: Mr. Calvin Klopf (*St. John, Massbach*)

West Conference (Lay Female)
Voting Member: Ms. Rita Gustafson (*Salem, Moline*)
Alternate: Ms. Pam Gross (*Calvary, Moline*)

Southwest Conference (Rostered Male)
Voting Member: Rev. Jamie Gallagher (*First, Monmouth*)
Alternate: Rev. Vince Marolla (*First, Galesburg*)

North Conference (Rostered Female)
Voting Member: Rev. Julane Nease (*United, Rockford*)
Alternate: Dn. Laura Gorton (*Christ, Belvidere*)

Central Conference (Lay Male)
Voting Member: Mr. Bill Wescott (*Immanuel, Rock Falls*)
Alternate: Mr. Larry Kradle (*St. John, Sterling*)

South Conference (Lay Female)
Voting Member: Ms. Merianne Morris (*St. Paul, Streator*)
Alternate: Ms. Lori Whalen (*First, Ohio*)

Northeast Conference (Rostered Male)

Voting Member: Rev. Preston Fields (*Salem, Sycamore*)

Alternate:

East Conference (Rostered Female)

Voting Member: Dn. Shari Simon (*Peace, New Lenox*)

Alternate: Rev. Lu Cantrell (*Peace, Morris*)