

Candidate Form – TX-LA Gulf Coast Synod

Position – Synod Council Member

Applying for (please check one):

- Synod Council Member-at Large, Laity, Female – 3 Year Term
- Synod Council Member-at Large, Clergy, Male – 3 Year Term
- Synod Council Member-at Large, Clergy, Female – 3 Year Term
- Synod Council Youth Member, Male or Female – 1 Year Term (must be under the age of 18 at the time of election)
- Synod Council Vice-President, Laity, Male or Female - 4-Year Term

Deadline to submit nominations – April 21, 2025

Skills/Abilities/Gifts: The following skills, abilities, and/or gifts are required for a person to effectively serve on the Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast Synod Council:

- Leadership, including the ability to cast a vision and hold accountable those working to make the vision a reality
- Openness to the guidance of the Holy Spirit
- Comfort working in an organizational governance capacity
- Willingness to work with the other council members to achieve the synod’s vision for its ministry
- Prior active service in your congregation, and/or at the synod level
- Ability and willingness to attend and participate in the meetings of the Synod Council (minimum three meetings per year) and the Synod Assembly
- Ability to use critical evaluation skills to evaluate the outcomes of the synod’s ministry
- Ability and willingness to pray regularly for the ministry and congregations of the synod
- Voting member of a congregation of the synod
- Full Job Description located in the Synod Constitution Chapter 10

Candidate’s Name _____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Primary Phone _____ Alternate Phone _____

Email Address _____

Congregation _____

Congregation City and State _____

Male Female Non-Binary Lay Ordained

Current Occupation _____

Please list three examples of the skills, abilities, and/or gifts you possess that would enable you to perform the ministry of this position:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Do you have a committed view about any of the issues facing the synod? If so, please share your views in one paragraph below:

Are you open to the possibility that the Holy Spirit could lead you to change your view, if it is already formed, on any of the issues facing the synod?

Name of person submitting this candidate:

Address _____

E-mail _____

Phone _____

Email to: synod@gulfcoastsynod.org (preferred method of submission)

Mail to: TX-LA Gulf Coast Synod
Attn: Nominating Committee 7822
Northline Dr.
Houston, TX 77037

Deadline for Submission: April 21, 2025

Please note: This nomination is a nomination to the Nominating Committee (not the Synod Assembly). According to our constitution and bylaws, the Nominating Committee is responsible for preparing a slate of “at least one qualified candidate for each position available” which will be presented to the Synod Assembly. “Qualification will be based on a comparison of stated required or preferred skills, abilities, gifts, and experience with those possessed by the candidate(s).” (Both quotations are taken from section S9.03.A03 of the synod constitution.) Qualifications for each position are listed on the candidate form for each position. Submitting this nomination form is very much appreciated by the Nominating Committee but does not guarantee a position on the slate presented by the Nominating Committee. Additional nominations may be made from the floor of the Synod Assembly.