



TODAY'S BUSINESS

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Convention Agenda

Sunday, June 22

- 1:00 p.m. Registration and Housing
- 2–6 p.m. District Presentations, Mission Displays Open
- 7:00 p.m. Opening Communion Service

Monday, June 23

- 8:00 a.m. Opening Devotion
- 8:20 a.m. Call to Order
- 8:25 a.m. Registration Report
- 8:30 a.m. Adoption of Agenda and Standing Rules
- 8:35 a.m. President's Report
- 8:50 a.m. Electronic Response System – Orientation
- 9:00 a.m. Adoption of Slate for District President
- 9:05 a.m. Registration Report
- 9:10 a.m. Ballot for District President
- 9:15 a.m. Adoption of Slate for 1st Vice President
- 9:20 a.m. First Ballot for 1st Vice President
- 9:25 a.m. Second Ballot for 1st Vice President

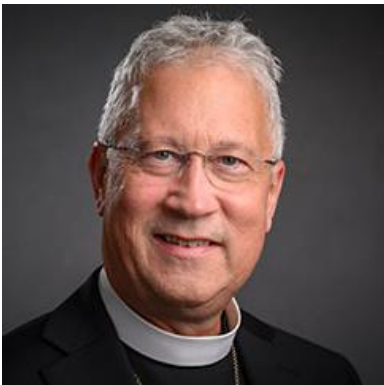
9:30 a.m. Nominating Ballot for 2nd – 4th Vice President
 9:35 a.m. Adoption of Slate for Secretary
 9:40 a.m. First Ballot for 2nd – 4th Vice President
 9:45 a.m. Second Ballot for 2nd – 4th Vice President
 9:50 a.m. Third Ballot for 2nd – 4th Vice President
 9:55 a.m. Committee Two – Life Together
 10:30 a.m. Committee One – Witness and Mercy
 11:00 a.m. Acceptance Statement by Newly Elected President
 11:10 a.m. Committee Four – Structure and Administration
 11:55 a.m. Greetings
 12:00 p.m. Announcements, Hymn, Meal Prayer
 12:05 p.m. Lunch, Bold Hope Ministry Fair Open
 1:05 p.m. Greetings
 1:15 p.m. Convention Essay – Part I
 2:00 p.m. Registration Report
 2:05 p.m. Adoption of Slate for Board of Directors
 2:15 p.m. Adoption of Slate for Council on Mission and Ministry
 2:20 p.m. Ballot for Secretary
 2:30 p.m. Ballot for Board of Directors
 2:40 p.m. Ballot for Council on Mission and Ministry
 2:45 p.m. Synod First Vice President Lange’s Video/Report/Q & A
 4:15 p.m. Greetings
 4:25 p.m. Committee Three – Theology, Church, and Culture
 4:55 p.m. Hymn and Closing Prayer
 5:00 p.m. Recess – Enjoy your evening!

Tuesday, June 24

8:00 a.m. Matins Memorial Service
 8:30 a.m. Convention Essay – Part II
 9:15 a.m. Registration Report
 9:20 a.m. Adoption of Slate for District Nomination Committee
 9:25 a.m. Ballot for District Nominating Committee
 9:35 a.m. Greetings
 9:50 a.m. Committee Two – Life Together
 10:35 a.m. Remaining Business
 11:00 a.m. Ratification of Circuit Visitors
 11:05 a.m. Recognition – Host Congregation, Committee, Staff
 11:20 a.m. Closing Devotion, Installation of President and Circuit Visitors
 12:00 p.m. Adjournment

Guest Speakers

Rev. Peter K. Lange | LCMS First Vice President



As first Vice President and a member of the Praesidium of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS), the Rev. Peter K. Lange assists the president in carrying out his responsibilities and chairs the colloquy committees for both the pastoral ministry and commissioned ministry. Lange was elected to this position in 2019 and re-elected in 2023. He also serves as an ex officio member of the LCMS Board of Directors and the LCMS Commission on Theology and Church Relations and is the Synod president's representative on the Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Board of Regents.

Previously, Lange served as president of the LCMS Kansas District (2015–2019). Prior to that, he served as senior pastor at St. John's Lutheran Church, Topeka, Kan. (1999–2015), and associate pastor at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Concordia, Mo. (1990–1999).

Born in Houston, Texas, Lange graduated from Concordia University, River Forest, Ill., in 1984 and from Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Ind., with a Master of Divinity in 1988. Lange also earned a Master of Sacred Theology degree in 1998 from Concordia Theological Seminary.

Lange has also served the church as secretary of the Council of Presidents (2018–2019), a member of the 2016 Resolution 13-01A Task Force “To Extol and Equip the Blessed Partnership between the Royal Priesthood and the Office of the Public Ministry,” a chairman for Synod floor committees in 2016 and 2019, and a member of numerous boards and committees for the Missouri and Kansas districts from 1992–2015. Lange has also participated in short-term mission trips to England, Czech Republic, Germany, and South Africa.

Lange and his wife, Marcia, live in St. Louis. They have four married daughters and 12 grandchildren.

Rev. Benjamin T. Ball | LCMS Second Vice President



The Rev. Benjamin T. Ball is second Vice President and a member of the Praesidium of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS). He was elected sixth Vice President in 2019, and re-elected and ranked second Vice President in 2023, representing the church's Central Region.

Ball is the senior pastor of St. Paul Lutheran Church and School in Hamel, Ill., where he was called in 2012. He previously served St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Dedham, Mass. (1999–2004), and St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School, Brookfield, Ill. (2004–2012).

He has served as the second Vice President of the LCMS Southern Illinois District (2018–2019), several terms as a circuit visitor in both the Northern Illinois and Southern Illinois districts, and as chairman of the Synod's Committee on Nominations (2019–2022).

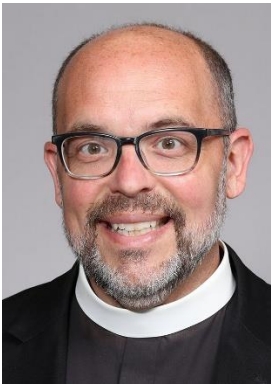
Ball currently serves on the Board of Regents of Concordia University, Nebraska, Seward, Neb. He formerly served as a member of the Board of Directors of Metro-East Lutheran High School of Edwardsville, Ill. (2017–2019). He is a frequent presenter at conferences discussing preaching, liturgy, the fraternal bonds of pastors, and

the pastoral task in the Lutheran school. Ball is also the head coach of the St. Paul Lutheran Squires boys basketball team.

Originally from Richmond, Mich., he is a product of LCMS schools since kindergarten. He received a B.A. from Concordia University, River Forest, Ill., in 1995, and in 1999 was granted the M.Div. from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis.

An avid outdoorsman, he resides in the church parsonage with his wife, Serena, and their five children.

Rev. Dr. Kevin Golden | Essayist



Dr. Kevin Golden is associate professor of Exegetical Theology, dean of Theological Research and Publication, and director of Resident Field Education at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. He joined the faculty in 2021.

He previously served as pastor of Village Lutheran Church, Ladue, Mo. (2009–21), and as pastor of Grace Lutheran Church, Holts Summit, Mo. (2002–09) during which time he helped found and taught at Calvary Lutheran High School in Jefferson City. Golden earned his Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) and his Master of Divinity (M.Div.) from Concordia Seminary (2010, 1999). In 1995, Golden received a Bachelor of Arts in antiquities and religious studies, graduating summa cum laude in the Honors College at Missouri State University in Springfield, Mo.

Golden taught at Calvary Lutheran High School, Jefferson City, Mo. (2005–09). He also served as a guest instructor at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Ind. (2007, 2009), and at Concordia Seminary (2000–02; 2009–14; 2017–21) teaching Old Testament courses, Greek and Hebrew.

Golden's research experience includes Hosea, biblical usage of the divine name, Genesis 6-9, Jonah, the Book of the Twelve (Minor Prophets) and biblical intertextuality.

He is the author of "Blessed Be His Name: Revealing the Sacred Names of God" (Concordia Publishing House, 2021), "God's Own Son Is Born A Child" (Concordia Publishing House, 2019) and "LifeLight: Minor Prophets" (Concordia Publishing House, 2009). He contributed to the festschrift, "The Mercy of God in the Cross of Christ: Essays on Mercy in Honor of Glenn Merritt" (LCMS, 2016). He is a frequent contributor to the "Concordia Theological Quarterly" and "Concordia Pulpit Resources."

Golden is a member of the Society of Biblical Literature (2003-present) and joined the Evangelical Theological Society in 2022. He served as the second Vice President of the LCMS Missouri District (2012–15; 2018–22) and has served on the district's finance committee and as an advisory member of the district's Board of Directors and for the Board for Family Life and Youth Ministry. He has served in a variety of roles for Humanitri, St. Louis, including serving on the Board of Directors (2013–20); chairman of the advancement committee (2016–17); chairman of the jail chaplaincy committee (2017–19); and as secretary of the board (2018–20). He also has served on a number of other organizational boards, and in pastoral roles such as chaplain and adviser.

Golden lives in suburban St. Louis with his wife, Joy. Their union has been blessed with seven living children.

Standing Rules

1. The Chair shall see that the agenda is followed as closely as possible. The Chair may deviate from the agenda when necessary or expedient.
2. Delegates must wear their badges whenever the convention is in session and may only sit in their designate sections.
3. In order to promote an orderly and non-distracting convention atmosphere, the following guidance shall apply to the use of electronic equipment, including wired and wireless communication devices, including laptops, tablets, cell phones, pagers, PDAs, or other similar devices. In all cases where use is permitted, the sound-producing capabilities of such devices shall not be used. Except as approved by convention staff, personal power cords shall not be allowed on the convention floor.

Seating Area of Convention Hall	Type of Use Permitted			
	Voice	Text Messages	Other Electronic Communications, including laptops	Laptop Computers (no communication, e.g., email or internet)
Voting Delegate	No	No	No	Yes
Convention Staff, Special Guests	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Advisory Delegates	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Visitors	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

4. Announcements should be sent via convention page to the Chair's assistant next to the dais.
5. Resolutions shall be prioritized by Floor Committees and normally shall be presented to the convention in numerical sequence.
6. The preface, preamble, rationale, and whereas sections shall be regarded as integral parts of the resolutions and therefore subject to the same consideration and adoption as the main motion.
7. It shall be the discretion of the Chairman or presenting member of the floor committee to read the preface, preamble, rationale, and whereas sections of resolutions from Floor Committees that are printed in *Today's Business*. In addition, the Chair of the convention is not required to read each resolution as he states the questions and then as he calls for the vote.
8. Ordinarily, questions of privilege (or point of personal privilege) shall be addressed in writing and sent by convention page to the chair's assistant next to the dais.
9. Voting shall be by voice vote or by an electronic keypad, except when the Chair deems it necessary to use some other method. Voting by electronic keypad shall be deemed to be a division of the assembly.
10. All non-voting advisory delegates may participate in debate, but may not nominate candidates, make motions, or vote.

11. Delegates wishing to address the Convention, when recognized by the Chair, shall state their names and the name of the congregation or entity of the Synod they represent.
12. A microphone queue list will be enacted for every debatable motion considered by the assembly. Each time a debatable motion is considered by the assembly, a new microphone queue list will be created and the queue list from any previous motion will be cleared. All queue entrees will be addressed as they appear in the queue order.
13. No delegate may speak in any debate longer than two (2) minutes per speech. No delegate may speak more than twice on the same motion on the same day and may not speak a second time until all delegates desiring to speak have had the opportunity. The Chair shall discretion to make exceptions to this rule. When a Floor Committee is called on to answer a question or to give information, this rule may not apply.
14. A delegate who speaks on an issue may not move to call the question at the close of his or her speech.
15. Whenever possible, substitute resolutions and amendments to proposed resolutions shall be submitted to *Today's Business* for publication prior to convention consideration of the resolutions to which they pertain. When this is not possible, as in the course of discussion, one written copy of the proposed amendment shall be provided to the Secretary after it is offered from the floor.
16. Missouri Rule: A summary for every proposed or amended resolution must include how it will be carried out, a delineation or who may be assigned the responsibility for carrying out the resolution, and finally an estimated cost [or savings] to the District.
17. Whenever an amendment is offered from the floor that seeks to make editorial or other helpful suggestions to a pending resolution coming from a floor committee, the chair of the Floor Committee shall have the option of accepting such an amendment. If it is accepted, then the amendment is made without further debate or formal vote of the assembly.
18. If a substitute motion is offered and seconded, the presenter shall be offered two minutes to provide the rationale for offering it and a member of the Floor Committee shall be offered two minutes to present rationale for why the committee believes the original motion is to be preferred, after which the convention shall decide by majority vote without debate whether or not to consider the substitute. If the decision is in the affirmative and if the substitute motion is subsequently adopted, the original motion fails. If the substitute motion does not receive favorable action either to consider or adopt, the original motion is again considered. (This is the so-called "Behnken Rule" for addressing substitute motions.)
19. While any voting delegate may call the question at any time, the question shall be called by the Chair after 20 minutes of debate on any question. The Chair shall also call for a vote on the close of the debate (2/3 majority required) when in his judgment the assembly has heard sufficient speaking on both sides of the issue.
20. The Chair shall have the right to inquire of the assembly at any point of its readiness to vote.
21. During the final day of the convention, the President shall have the privilege of calling up for action those resolutions which in his judgment must be acted upon before adjournment.
22. Resolutions prepared by the Floor Committees, which are not acted upon by the convention before adjournment, die.
23. Unless covered by these Special Standing Rules, parliamentary procedure shall be governed by the most recent edition of *Robert's Rules of Order*.

Basic Parliamentary Principles

1. A District Delegate Convention is a parliamentary assembly called to deliberate and to make decisions. From time to time it defines the privileges, the rights, and the duties of the members of the District and sets up or changes the framework of District organization. It hears the reports of its officers, boards, and committees as to what they have done with their constitutional and convention directives and receives and passes on proposals for their future activity.
2. All voting delegates have equal rights, privileges, and obligations.
3. The vote of the majority decides. The will of a District Convention is determined by the taking of a vote.
4. Free discussion of every proposition or resolution presented for decision is an established right for all delegates, voting and advisory. The Convention has the right to decide when it has heard sufficient discussion. This right, however, should be exercised with restraint.
5. Both proponents and opponents of a given proposal have rights which must be safeguarded. The decision belongs to the majority, but the right to discuss, the right to be heard, and the right to oppose should be upheld. A member of the majority on one question is often a member of the minority on another.
6. Delegates may always ask for information or clarification.
7. The simplest and most direct parliamentary procedure for accomplishing a purpose should be followed rather than taking devious routes and multiplying technicalities.
8. Every delegate has the right to know what question is before the convention and what its effect will be, for every action taken by a deliberative body should be taken knowledgeably.

Resolution 4-02A

To Revise Bylaws Article III.D and Article IV.A

Whereas, the Missouri District Board of Directors identified the need for bylaw revision in its work on revising the Board of Directors Policy Manual; and

Whereas, these proposed changes focus primarily on the duties of the Board of Directors and the President and strive to provide greater clarity for each; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Missouri District Convention make the following bylaw changes (additions in red and omissions with strikethrough):

Article III – THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

D. DUTIES

Except as otherwise expressly provided in these bylaws, the Board of Directors shall hold responsibility for the district between conventions. To this end it shall:

1. ~~Adopt a strategic plan for each triennium and review the vision, mission, and strategies it has formulated annually in order to establish short-, mid-, and long-term goals; At least annually review and when necessary revise the vision, mission, and strategies it has formulated in order to establish short, mid and long term goals through the president;~~
2. Receive and act on the recommendations of the president, council, and committees assigned by the Board of Directors;
3. Coordinate the district's work with Synod's; 4.5.1 (c)
4. Submit proposed annual support goals to the **congregations;**
5. Establish an annual budget of the district on the basis of the share of the Lord's work assumed by the congregations;
6. Balance the budget as nearly as possible and be authorized to do any and all such things as may be necessary or expedient to accomplish this end;
7. **Work with the president and appropriate staff to establish district policies to acquire** ~~Acquire~~, hold, lease, mortgage, pledge, sell, convey, or otherwise dispose of property (real or personal, tangible or intangible) **in on** behalf of the Missouri District. **The Board will have final-approval authority for the purchase or sale of all real property.**
- ~~8. Provide for adequate support personnel as well as policies and procedures for the operation of the district office;~~
- ~~9. Determine and define the number, role, function, and responsibility of staff members;~~
8. Report to the convention of the district;
9. Approve the site of the district convention upon recommendation of the ~~district~~ president;
10. ~~Engage a CPA firm to audit the financial records of the district at least annually or at any time during the year as it deems advisable;~~ **Provide for an annual audit of the district's financial records;**
11. Engage legal counsel to advise the district regarding legal matters;

12. ~~Provide for the bonding of all officers handling district funds;~~ Conduct an annual review with the president and appropriate staff to ensure that the district has appropriate insurance coverage;
13. Appoint an archivist;
14. ~~Conduct,~~ Supervise and manage all affairs of the district not otherwise assigned.

Article IV - DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND STAFF

A. DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT

The president shall:

1. Exercise ecclesiastical supervision over the doctrine, practice, life, and administration of all elected, called, and appointed officers and the Ministers of Religion – Ordained, Ministers of Religion – Commissioned, and certified church workers, lay, of the district;
2. Perform the duties set forth in Synod Bylaw 4.4 and Synod Constitution Article XII and especially serve as chief executive of the district who leads the Board of Directors in the formulation of the district's vision, mission and strategies and in their implementation;
3. Be a member of the Board of Directors;
4. Convene the circuit visitors at least annually;
5. Be a non-voting ex-officio member of all committees including those for professional conferences except the Committee on Nominations;
6. Designate one of the vice presidents as his representative to any commission or committee he may deem advisable;
7. Make such appointments as are directed by the district through its bylaws or resolutions;
8. Appoint all necessary committees and an assistant secretary for the convention;
9. Be responsible that the resolutions of the Synod, and district and Board of Directors are implemented and coordinated;
10. Make sure that the district personnel, staff, boards, task forces, and committees are working together in harmony to implement the mission, vision and strategies adopted by the convention and the Board of Directors;
11. Be responsible for an up-to-date procedures manual **necessary for the effective and efficient operation of the district;** ~~adequately indexed for recording procedures necessary for the effective and efficient operation of the convention and also for officers, board, council, committees, and district personnel;~~
12. **Be responsible for procedures necessary for the effective and efficient operation of the convention;**
13. Have responsibility for supervising the staff according to their respective assignment of duties. He may appoint members of the staff to assist him;

- 1 14. Ensure that the needs of district congregations (especially those enumerated in Article V.D)
- 2 are addressed.
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Resolution 4-03A

To Revise Bylaws per CCM Recommendations

Whereas, the Board of Directors has been working with the LCMS Commission on Constitutional Matters in the approval process for an updated Board Policy Manual; and

Whereas, the Commission on Constitutional Matters offered informal recommendations regarding the district bylaws; and

Whereas, discussions between Board and Commission members have indicated that many of the recommendations would provide greater clarity in the bylaws; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Missouri District Bylaws be amended as follows (additions in red and omissions with strikethrough):

Article II - ADMINISTRATION

A. BASIC PRINCIPLES OF DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

1. The president is the chief executive of the district. Upon his request, or as may be provided by the bylaws of the district, he shall be assisted by the vice presidents and the circuit visitors in supervising the doctrine, practice and life of the Ministers of Religion – Ordained, Ministers of Religion – Commissioned, and congregations of the district.
2. The president shall supervise the work program of the district.
3. The staff and the Council on Mission and Ministry shall be directly responsible to the president and shall report plans and major decisions for approval with power of appeal to the convention.
4. The Council on Mission and Ministry and all committees shall make reports to each district convention.
5. All officers, the Board of Directors, the Council on Mission and Ministry, and committees shall be ultimately responsible to the district convention.
6. **The District shall maintain and monitor a conflict of interest policy consistent with Synod Bylaw 1.5.2.** ~~The district shall maintain and monitor a conflict of interest policy. The Synod Bylaw 1.5.2 shall be the bylaw of the district.~~

Article II - ADMINISTRATION

E. BOARD, COUNCIL, AND COMMITTEES

1. The Board of Directors is directly responsible to the district convention.
2. The committees which are directly responsible to the district convention shall be:
 - a. A Constitution Committee (appointive)
 - b. A Committee on Nominations (elected)
 - c. A Committee of Elections (appointive)
3. The Council on Mission and Ministry is directly responsible to the president.

- 1 4. ~~All committees shall be under the ecclesiastical supervision of the president. All Ministers of~~
2 ~~Religion—Ordained and Ministers of Religion—Commissioned conference committees of~~
3 ~~the Missouri District shall be directly responsible to the president. All Ministers of Religion~~
4 ~~—Ordained and Ministers of Religion—Commissioned shall attend their respective~~
5 ~~conferences on an annual basis (Synod Bylaw 4.8.2[d]).~~
- 6 5. The president may appoint committees and task forces as required to assist the staff in their
7 work.
- 8 6. All convention floor committees shall be directly responsible to the president.

9 **Article III – THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

10 **A. MEMBERSHIP**

- 11 1. ~~The Board of Directors shall consist of the following members, all with a vote: The Board~~
12 ~~of Directors shall consist of the following members, all with a vote: president, the first vice~~
13 ~~president, the secretary of the district elected by the convention, seven (7) members elected~~
14 ~~by the convention, a treasurer appointed by the Board of Directors, and up to three (3)~~
15 ~~members appointed by the Board of Directors to fill needed areas of expertise:~~
- 16 a. The president of the district (Minister of Religion – Ordained)
 - 17 b. The first vice president of the district (Minister of Religion – Ordained)
 - 18 c. The secretary of the district (Minister of Religion – Ordained)
 - 19 d. Two (2) Ministers of Religion – Ordained, elected at large
 - 20 e. Two (2) Ministers of Religion – Commissioned, elected at large
 - 21 f. Three (3) laypersons, elected at large
 - 22 g. The members of the Board of Directors elected by the convention shall appoint the
23 treasurer of the district at the first meeting of the Board of Directors following the
24 convention. The treasurer shall be a layperson.
 - 25 h. The members of the Board of Directors elected by the convention “shall also have the
26 authority to choose to appoint to the board up to three voting lay members from the
27 district’s congregations to obtain additional skill sets (legal, finance, investment,
28 administration, etc.)” (Synod bylaw 4.5.1).
 - 29 i. Elected members of the Board of Directors, other than the secretary, the president, and
30 the first vice president, shall serve six (6) year terms. The term of appointive members
31 of the Board of Directors shall expire at the installation of a newly elected Board of
32 Directors.

33 **Article III – THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

34 **B. ORGANIZATION**

- 35 1. The secretary shall be the Secretary of the Board of Directors. The members of the Board of
36 Directors elected at the convention shall elect the chairman, vice chairman, and such other
37 officers of the board as deemed necessary ~~at the first meeting of the district triennium~~. The

chairman and vice chairman shall be elected from those members of the Board of Directors elected by the convention.

2. The Board of Directors shall meet at least ~~four (4) times a year~~ **quarterly** and shall keep accurate minutes of its meetings.
3. Special meetings may be called by the chairman or upon request of three board members. Those calling a special meeting shall set the date of such meeting. The office of the president shall notify each board member of such special meeting and its purpose.
4. A majority of the voting members of the Board of Directors must be present at a properly called meeting to constitute a quorum.
5. The chairman shall conduct the meetings and be responsible for the agenda of each meeting.
6. In the event of a vacancy on the Board of Directors, the remaining members of the board elected by the convention may elect a successor for the unexpired term.
7. The Board of Directors shall establish, maintain, and follow policy and procedure manuals.
8. Special committees may be appointed within the Board of Directors at its discretion **according to Synod Bylaws 1.5.3.2 and 1.5.3.3.**

Article III – THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

D. DUTIES

Except as otherwise expressly provided in these bylaws, the Board of Directors shall hold responsibility for the district between conventions. To this end it shall:

1. At least annually review and when necessary revise the vision, mission, and strategies it has formulated in order to establish short, mid and long term goals through the president;
2. Receive and act on the recommendations of the president, council, and committees assigned by the Board of Directors;
3. Coordinate the district's work with Synod's; 4.5.1 (c)
4. Submit proposed annual support goals to the;
5. Establish an annual budget of the district on the basis of the share of the Lord's work assumed by the congregations;
6. Balance the budget as nearly as possible and be authorized to do any and all such things as may be necessary or expedient to accomplish this end;
7. Acquire, hold, lease, mortgage, pledge, sell, convey, or otherwise dispose of property, real or personal tangible or intangible, ~~on~~ **in** behalf of the Missouri District;
8. Provide for adequate support personnel as well as policies and procedures for the operation of the district office;
9. Determine and define the number, role, function, and responsibility of staff members;
10. Report to the convention of the district;
11. Approve the site of the district convention upon recommendation of the ~~district~~ president;

12. Engage a CPA firm to audit the financial records of the district at least annually or at any time during the year as it deems advisable;
13. Engage legal counsel to advise the district regarding legal matters;
14. Provide for the bonding of all officers handling district funds;
15. Appoint an archivist;
16. Conduct, supervise, and manage all affairs of the district not otherwise assigned.

Article IV - DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND STAFF

All officers of the district, whether elected or appointed, shall discharge the duties assigned to them in the Synod Constitution and Bylaws and the district bylaws.

A. DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT

The president shall:

1. Exercise ecclesiastical supervision over the doctrine, practice, life, and administration of all elected, called, and appointed officers and the Ministers of Religion – Ordained, ~~and Ministers of Religion – Commissioned, and certified church workers, lay,~~ of the district;
2. Perform the duties set forth in Synod Bylaw 4.4 and Synod Constitution Article XII and especially serve as chief executive of the district who leads the Board of Directors in the formulation of the district's vision, mission and strategies and in their implementation;
3. Be a member of the Board of Directors;
4. Convene the circuit visitors at least annually;
5. Be a non-voting ex-officio member of all committees including those for professional conferences except the Committee on Nominations;
6. Designate one of the vice presidents as his representative to any commission or committee he may deem advisable;
7. Make such appointments as are directed by the district through its bylaws or resolutions;
8. Appoint all necessary committees and an assistant secretary for the convention;
9. Be responsible that the resolutions of the Synod, and district and Board of Directors are implemented and coordinated;
10. Make sure that the district personnel, staff, boards, task forces, and committees are working together in harmony to implement the mission, vision and strategies adopted by the convention and the Board of Directors;
11. Be responsible for an up-to-date procedures manual, adequately indexed for recording procedures necessary for the effective and efficient operation of the convention and also for officers, board, council, committees, and district personnel;
12. Have responsibility for supervising the staff according to their respective assignment of duties. He may appoint members of the staff to assist him;
13. Ensure that the needs of district congregations (especially those enumerated in Article V.D) are addressed.

Article V – COUNCIL ON MISSION AND MINISTRY

B. MEMBERSHIP

Council members shall:

1. Be elected by the convention with two (2) Ministers of Religion – Ordained, two (2) Ministers of Religion – Commissioned, and two (2) laypersons;
2. As many as three additional council members may be recommended by the council chairman, approved by the president and appointed by the Board of Directors; the term of appointive members of the Council shall expire at the installation of a newly elected Council;
3. Appointees to the council shall have a minimum of three years professional or volunteer experience appropriate to the council responsibilities;
4. Include the president or his appointee.

Article VIII - ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT PROCEDURES

A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. The following shall be elected at each convention: The president, the vice presidents, the secretary, members of the Board of Directors, members of the Council on Mission and Ministry, the circuit visitors, and the Committee on Nominations.
2. All appointive offices shall be filled after the convention.
3. In making appointments, the Board of Directors and president shall give consideration to provide a cross-section of representation throughout the district.
4. ~~Each~~ **The** district convention shall elect to a six-year term on the Board of Directors one (1) Minister of Religion — Ordained, elected at large and one (1) Minister of Religion — Commissioned, elected at large, and ~~two~~ **three (23)** laypersons, elected at large **(two of the three at-large laypersons shall be elected at one convention, and the other elected at the subsequent convention).** ~~At alternating district conventions laypersons shall be elected at large to six year terms, with 2 (two) being elected at one convention and (1) one being elected at the following convention.~~
5. Each district convention shall elect to a six-year term on the Council on Mission and Ministry one (1) Minister of Religion — Ordained, one (1) Minister of Religion — Commissioned, and one (1) layperson.

Article VIII - ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT PROCEDURES

B. COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

1. A Committee on Nominations consisting of four Ministers of Religion – Ordained, two Ministers of Religion – Commissioned, and four laypersons, representing all areas of the district is to be elected as a standing committee at each convention.

2. The members of the Committee on Nominations shall serve one term of three years and are eligible to serve again after at least three years have elapsed. A list of candidates for membership on this committee shall be submitted to the convention by the outgoing Committee on Nominations.
3. The president shall convene and orientate the Nominating Committee at least eighteen (18) months prior to the convention. The president shall appoint the chairman from among the elected members of the Nominating Committee.
4. Duties of Committee on Nominations:
 - a. The Committee on Nominations shall circularize the Ministers of Religion – Ordained and congregations of the district for names and qualifications of Ministers of Religion – Ordained, Ministers of Religion – Commissioned, and laypersons to serve as secretary, members of the Board of Directors, or members of the Council on Mission and Ministry.
 1. Ministers of Religion – Ordained to serve as district secretary, members of the Council on Mission and Ministry, and at-large member of the Board of Directors.
 2. Ministers of Religion – Commissioned to serve as at-large members of the Board of Directors and members of the Council on Mission and Ministry.
 3. Laypersons to serve as-members of the Board of Directors and the Council on Mission and Ministry.
 - b. The committee itself shall, when sufficient recommendations are not submitted by the announced deadline, place eligible candidates on the ballot.
 - c. In presenting a slate to the convention, the committee shall supply a brief biographical sketch of each candidate appearing on the ballot. All names shall be listed alphabetically on the official ballot.
 - d. The committee shall endeavor to represent all the areas of the district in nominating at least two candidates for each elected office **for which the committee is responsible for providing nominations** ~~or position with the exception of the president, the vice presidents, and the circuit visitors.~~ The committee shall further endeavor to represent the needed skill sets for the Board of Directors (legal, finance, investment, administration) and the Council on Mission and Ministry. The convention reserves the right to place additional names on the ballot. No candidate shall be nominated by the nominating committee for more than one position with the exception of membership on the Committee on Nominations.
 - e. Nominations for the district representative and alternate for the Synod's Committee for Convention Nomination shall be according to Synod Bylaw 3.12.3 ff.

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C. COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS

1. A Committee on Elections consisting of four Ministers of Religion – Ordained, two Ministers of Religion – Commissioned, and four laypersons shall be appointed by the president.
2. Duties of the Committee on Elections:

- a. The Committee on Elections shall conduct and supervise all elections of the district according to the elections manual of the Missouri District. The committee shall be authorized to interrupt any ~~convention business~~ ~~business transactions~~ for the purpose of conducting the election.
- b. The election shall proceed according to the following order: president, first vice president, other vice presidents, secretary, Board of Directors, Council on Mission and Ministry, the ratification of circuit visitors, and the committee on nominations.
- c. Primary and election ballots shall be collected during the sessions in which they were distributed.
- d. A majority of all votes cast shall be required for election to all elected offices and elected board positions.
- e. The election of the president and first vice president shall follow the procedure of District Bylaw II.D.3.
- f. Elections other than that of president and vice president shall follow the procedure of Synod Bylaw 4.7.3.
- g. The elections for the second, third, and fourth vice presidents shall proceed as follows.
 1. Nominations shall be by direct nominating ballot of eligible pastors from the district. Each voting delegate shall be entitled to place in nomination as many persons as there are vice presidents to be elected. The persons receiving the greatest number of nominations shall be the candidates in the election for vice presidents, the number of candidates to be three times the number of offices to be filled.
 2. The rank of vice presidents shall be determined by the order of their election or, if more than one is elected in the same voting, by the number of votes received by each.
 - ~~3. In the election, each voting delegate shall be entitled to vote for as many candidates as there are offices to be filled. A candidate whose total vote equals or exceeds a majority of the number of delegates voting shall be declared elected.~~
 - ~~4. If more candidates receive a majority than there are offices to be filled, those receiving the greatest number of votes shall be declared elected.~~
 3. When a second or succeeding ballot is required for a majority, the candidates receiving the fewest votes shall be dropped from the ballot, leaving two candidates for each position to be filled.
 - ~~6. This procedure shall be followed until all the offices have been filled.~~
- ~~g. Elections other than that of president and vice presidents shall follow the procedure of Synod bylaw 4.7.3.~~

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D. VACANCIES

1. If the Office of President becomes vacant, the first vice president shall serve as president until the next presidential election. The new president may serve part-time, with the consent of the Board of Directors, until the next election.
2. If the president becomes incapacitated, his work shall be assumed temporarily by the first vice president. The decision as to when the president has become incapacitated and when he is no longer incapacitated shall be made by the Board of Directors.
3. A vacancy in any vice presidency shall be filled by advancing the lower-ranking vice presidents. The resulting vacancy may be filled by an **appointment** ~~election~~ of the Board of Directors. A slate of nominees shall be made by the praesidium from candidates for the vice presidency at the previous convention.
4. If the office of circuit visitor becomes vacant, the office shall be filled by presidential appointment.
5. Vacancies on board, council, and committees shall be filled in a manner as prescribed in the district bylaws governing board, council, and committee administration.

Pastoral Delegates

Aizenberg, Samuel..... Immanuel, Carrollton
 Arnold, Tyler Village, St. Louis
 Asbury, Randy Hope, St. Louis
 Auringer, Jason Immanuel, Wentzville
 Bartok, Jim My Church, Ozark
 Bell, Randall Christ, Augusta
 Benkendorf, Rod .. Hanover, Cape Girardeau
 Bereuter, Bryce Calvary, Kansas City
 Berry, Matthew Concordia, Sikeston
 Bibb, Tysen..... Trinity, Norborne
 Biernacki, Chris ... St. Paul's, Wildwood
 Blankenship, William..... Trinity, Center
 Block, Larry Our Savior, Platte City
 Boettcher, Mark ... Immanuel, Jackson
 Boisclair, David.... Our Redeemer, Overland
 Brann, Johannes... Trinity, Nevada
 Braun, Allen Mt. Hulda, Cole Camp
 Breite, Douglas Trinity, Cape Girardeau
 Broaddus, Daniel.. Holy Trinity, Mound City
 Burgdorf, Noah Salem, Salisbury
 Canaday, Matthew..... Praise & Worship, Branson West
 Castens, Kyle Immanuel, Festus
 Clark, Matthew Ascension, St. Louis
 Cody, Richard St. Peter, St. Joseph
 Constien, Stephen St. Paul, Farmington
 Copus, William St. Matthew, Ernestville
 Dehne, John..... St. Andrew, Cape Girardeau
 Dickerson, Paul Christ Memorial, St. Louis
 Diener, Michael.... Grace, Holts Summit
 Dittmar, David..... St. Luke's, St. Louis
 Dock, Jeffrey Trinity/Good Shepherd,
 Louisiana/Bowling Green

Dressler, Martin Salem, Black Jack
 Elliott, Bruce..... Immanuel, Barnhart
 Emshoff, Keith..... Holy Trinity, Grandview
 Ensor, Lewis..... St. Matthew, Sullivan
 Etzler, Andrew Shepherd of the Hills, Fayette
 Fiene, Hans Prince of Peace, Crestwood
 Fittje, Kyle Immanuel, Lockwood
 Freeman, Jeremy .. St. Paul's, Sedalia
 Freudenburg, Trevor..... Lord of Life, Chesterfield
 Friedrichs, Galen .. Grace, Lamar
 Froiland, Brandon..... Christ, Platte Woods
 Furgeson, Jon Peace, St. Louis
 Gehrke, Wes Zion, Palmyra
 Gillmore, Steven... First, Neosho
 Gimbel, Andrew ... Holy Cross, O'Fallon
 Gorline, Jeremy Child of God, St. Peters
 Goucher, Mark Prince of Peace, Cameron
 Greene, Frank..... King of Kings, Kansas City
 Griffin, Gary..... Trinity, Sarcoux
 Gruenwald, David.. Resurrection, St. Louis
 Gutz, Glen Immanuel, Salisbury
 Hagerman, Nicholas..... Trinity, Springfield
 Hanke, Will Mt. Calvary, Brentwood
 Hatcher, Joshua Historic Trinity, St. Louis
 Hayter, Mathew.... St. Paul, Union
 Heaton, William ... St. Paul's, Fulton
 Hellwege, John Salem/Zion, Farrar/Crosstown
 Hetzel, Brian Pointe of Hope, Blue Springs
 Hochgrebe, Ryan .. Timothy, Blue Springs
 Hoebner, Mark..... Chapel of the Cross, St. Peters
 Hoemann, Paul Concordia, Frohna
 Huebner, Wayne... Salem, St. Louis

Iannelli, Mike..... Our Savior, St. Charles	Meissner, Craig.....Holy Cross, Kansas City
Johnson, Erik..... Concordia, Maplewood (St. Louis)	Miille, TimothyZion, Blackburn
Jonas, Scott..... Glendale, St. Louis	Moore, David.....St. Paul, St. Joseph
Junkin, Mark..... Zion/Immanuel, Corder/Waverly	Morris, TimAlive In Christ, Columbia
Karg, Rory Immanuel, Olivette	Newman, Drew.....Trinity, Kearney
Kelm, Virgil..... Zion, Pocahontas	Oberdieck, David ..Trinity, Lebanon
Kennell, Andrew .. St. John's, Monett	Okine, Michael.....Messiah, St. Louis
Ketelsen, Joshua .. Immanuel, Boonville	Orr, WilliamHope, St. Ann
Kettner, David Salem/Holy Cross, Salem	Otto, CraigSt. Matthew, Lee's Summit
King, Idonis..... St. Trinity, St. Louis	Parvey, AdamAbiding Savior, St. Louis
Klaustermeier, Jeremy..... St. John's, Warrenton	Peeples, Matthew..Faith, Oakville
Koenig, Jarod..... Redeemer, Nixa	Perling, JohnFaith, St. Robert
Kohn, Elden..... Zion, Macon	Pierce, Kent.....Campus, Columbia
Kohnke, Kevin..... St. Paul's Jonesburg	Pitsch, ScottKing of Kings, Chesterfield
Kopper, Evandro .. St. Paul's, California	Poppen, TylerHoly Cross/St. John's, Cole Camp
Kranz, Mark..... Mount Calvary, Excelsior Springs	Pottschmidt, Michael..... St. Paul's, Concordia
Krueger, Joel..... Faith, Branson	Powell, Samuel.....Trinity, Jefferson City
Kuddes, Jeffrey Grace, Lexington	Preus, Andrew.....Trinity, New Haven
Kuhlman, Nathan Redeemer, Rolla	Priem, Matthew....Bethlehem, Raymore
Kurz, Joel Bethlehem, Warrensburg	Ramstad, Christopher..... Immanuel/Martin Luther School, Joplin
Kyler, Jeffrey Zion, Rockville	Reiser, Gregg.....St. John's, Farley
Landgraf, Paul..... St. John/Pilgrim, Owensville/Chamois	Resner, Steve.....Immanuel, Jefferson City
Lange, Peter..... Bethany, Eldon	Resner, Matthew ..Zion, Moberly
Lawrence, Wayne..... St. James, St. Louis	Riebau, Robert.....Church of the Reformation, St. Louis
Lehenbauer, Ronald..... Christ the King, Lake Ozark	Roberts, Bryan.....Zion, Pevely
Lucas, Frank Immanuel, Altenburg	Rodriguez, Joe.....St. Stephen, Liberty
Malone, Robert Amazing Grace, Pleasant Hill	Roeglin, Matthew..... Blessed Savior, Florissant
Mattsfield, Wade.. Immanuel, West Plains	Rolf, David.....Peace, Kansas City
Mauss, Doug..... Pathfinder Church, Ellisville	Ross III, Bernard...Trinity, Alma
May, Jacob..... Christ, Gordonville	Roth Jr., DavidZion/Mt. Calvary, Owensville/Belle
McCalley, Joseph . Trinity, Columbia	Rottmann, Erik.....Grace, Versailles
McGinley, Dave ... Webster Gardens, St. Louis	Ruback, Nathan....Grace Chapel, St. Louis
Meggers, David Concordia, Kirkwood	Rupe, RyanOur Savior, Fenton
Mehl, Silas..... Good Shepherd, Carthage	

Lay Delegates

Ackerman, David ...St. Paul's, Des Peres	Davis, HenryTrinity/Good Shepherd, Louisiana/Bowling Green
Alexander, Steven ..Grace, De Soto	Dawson, Matthew ..Immanuel, Washington
Andrew, Brian.....Lord of Life, Chesterfield	Decker, NathanAscension, St. Louis
Anheier, JohnOur Redeemer, Kansas City	Derendinger, Daniel..... Grace, Versailles
Arenz, StevenCedar Hill, Cedar Hill	Dieckman, Dallas ...Mt. Hulda, Cole Camp
Bailey, JohnHoly Cross, Houston	Diefenbach, John ...Salem, St. Louis
Bartok, KimMy Church, Ozark	Doherty, George.....St. Johns, Farley
Bauche, WarrenEbenezer, Leslie	Dolson, JoeChild of God, St. Peters
Baumhoegger, Harry..... Zion, Owensville	Drag, GaryMessiah, St. Louis
Bechel, Lucas.....Immanuel, Jefferson City	Edwards, BrianChrist, Augusta
Becker, Louis Scott Our Savior, Fenton	Ehlers, TerryImmanuel, Boonville
Behrens, Mark.....Zion, Hillsboro	English, DavidImmanuel, Barnhart
Belter, BrianHoly Cross, O'Fallon	Ensor, StaceySt. Matthew, Sullivan
Bentlage, David.....Concordia, Maplewood (St. Louis)	Finck, Jonathan.....Trinity, New Haven
Birk, RobertConcordia, Frohna	Flandermeyer, Gary..... Timothy, Blue Springs
Blake, DebraSt. Paul's, Cuba	Frankenbach, Paul..Zion, Palmyra
Bliese, Mark.....Church of the Reformation, St. Louis	Gholson, Bill.....Immanuel, Jackson
Bohlmann, Paige....Immanuel, St. Charles	Gibbs, L. Rodney ...St. Paul's, Wildwood
Brauer, Rick.....Shepherd of the Hills, Hermann	Gipson, RobertZion, Moberly
Brown, Diana.....Hope, St. Louis	Golden, Greg.....Good Shepherd, Carthage
Carothers, AllenTrinity, Lebanon	Gorline, Timothy ...Mt. Calvary, St. Louis
Cassout, Katherine.Eisleben, Scott City	Gregg, Corey.....Abiding Savior, St. Louis
Chappelow, Tony ...Point of Hope, Blue Springs	Greiwe, John.....Trinity, Alma
Church, KevinTrinity, Appleton City	Grimpo, AlanSt. John's, Brunswick
Close, Joe.....Our Savior, Sedalia	Haas, DeniseFaith, Warsaw
Cooper, Gary.....St. Paul, Farmington	Hackman, SallySalem, Sailsbury
Cottrell, Mitchell....Salem, Salem	Hall, Jeremy.....St. John's, Chillicothe
Craig, Todd.....Webster Gardens, St. Louis	Hall, DanRedeemer, Rolla
Crespo, Jr., Willie...Bethlehem, Warrensburg	Harp, JustinCalvary, Kansas City
Crosby, WilliamPraise & Worship, Branson West	Harris, AllenTrinity, Kearney
Curry, TimothyImmanuel, Salisbury	Heins, Chris.....St. Matthew, Ernestville
Davidson, Ian.....Trinity, Norborne	Hill, RandyChrist the King, Lake Ozark

Hollander, Russell ..Christ, Platte Woods	Malwitz, Michael ...Faith, Branson
Hoppe, Russ.....Immanuel, Wentzville	Matthews, MarkSt. John's, Monett
Howard, Jim.....Holy Trinity, Grandview	May, MichelleChrist, Gordonville
Iannelli, MichaelOur Savior, St. Charles	McCoig, Larry.....Trinity, Columbia
Ingle, BobPathfinder Church, Ellisville	McCrerry, JohnSt. John's, Beaufort
Jenkins, ChaimHope, Maryville	McKenna, BrianBlessed Savior, Florissant
Jernigan, Floyd.....St. John, St. James	Meyer, Eugene.....Trinity, Sarcoux
Johnson, Michael ...St. John's, Warrenton	Meyer, BrockImmanuel, West Plains
Jurgensmeyer, Edward..... Zion, Rockville	Miille, PamZion, Blackburn
Kaibel, JeromeBethany, Eldon	Moentmann, Werner..... Faith, Richmond
Kamp, GarySt. Paul, Jackson	Moore, RussellZion/Our Savior, Bolivar/Buffalo
Kelly, CharlesSt. Paul's, Sedalia	Moudy, DuaneFaith, Springfield
Kidwell, RichOur Savior, Platte City	Noggle, HeatherRedeemer, Springfield
Kiefer, Daniel.....Zion, Perryville	Nordstrom, Daniel..St. Peter, St. Joseph
Killebrew, Christopher..... Immanuel/Martin Luther School, Joplin	Norton, Amy.....Zion/Our Savior, Bolivar/Buffalo
Kirchhoff, AaronSt. Paul's, Independence	Oetting, StanSt. Paul's, Concordia
Kirn, Brian.....Good Shepherd, Cape Girardeau	Olson, Kelly.....Peace, Kansas City
Klatt, RonSt. John's, Lohman	O'Neill, JordanConcordia, Sikeston
Kliwer, BrockPeace, Camdenton	Otten, Stephen.....Pilgrim, Linn
Klinge, Daniel.....Mount Calvary, Excelsior Springs	Perling, HeidiFaith, Saint Robert
Knoerschild, Timothy..... Trinity, Clinton	Petry, JakeSt. Mark's, Eureka
Koch, Mark.....Bethlehem, New Haven	Ponder, LukeTrinity, Altenburg
Krueger, Ray.....Bethlehem, Raymore	Rodieck, Jay.....Grace, Holts Summit
Langer, Deborah.....St. Paul's, Imperial	Rupp, Joe.....St. John, Purdy
Larimer, Michael....Grace, Lamar	Rusche, Rich.....Holy Cross, Kansas City
Larson, SteveTrinity, Cole Camp	Russell, MarkSt. John's, Jefferson City
Lawrence, Jacqueline..... St. James, St. Louis	Rutherford, Tasha ..Zion, Lincoln
Lekar, MarkZion, St. Charles	Sanders, DonaldSt. Matthew, Lee's Summit
Lenz, ChrisZion, Bunceton	Saubert, CarlChapel of the Cross, St. Peters
Lieb, DavidFaith, Jefferson City	Scherer, KeithSalem, Florissant
Linhardt, Dean.....Hope, St. Ann	Schlegel, TimFaith, Oakville
Lohmeyer, DanSt. Paul, Union	Schmidt, Ken.....Trinity, Friedheim
Maloy, MarkPeace, St. Louis	Schmidt, Jonathan .St. John's, St. Louis
	Schneider, Marty....Christ Memorial, St. Louis

Schroeder, Kent	Christ, Sweet Springs	Torres, Luis A.....	Amigos de Cristo, Sedalia
Schubert, Jason	Immanuel, Festus	Triplet, Jim	St. Paul, St. Joseph
Seider, Aaron	Good Shepherd, Centralia	Tritch, Randal	Hope, High Ridge
Shackelford, Jeff.....	Zion, Poplar Bluff	Trowbridge, Bill	Village, St. Louis
Simon, Ralph	Historic Trinity, St. Louis	Turner, James	First, Neosho
Sletten, Courtney...	Trinity, Freistatt	Voltmer, Darrel	Holy Trinity, Mound City
Smith, Julie	Amazing Grace, Pleasant Hill	Voss, Chuck	Trinity, Cape Girardeau
Snyder, Paul.....	Immanuel, Olivette	Wachter, Andrew ...	Trinity, Jefferson City
Spinks, Wes	Immanuel, Lockwood	Wallis, Daniel	Holy Cross for the Deaf, Maplewood
Spitler, Allen.....	Zion, Cape Girardeau	Walthall, Melton	St. Luke's, St. Louis
Sponaugle, John.....	Campus, Columbia	Weicken, Stephen .	St. Paul's, California
Staehling, Philip.....	Prince of Peace, Cameron	Werner, David	Immanuel, Perryville
Stahlman, Bill.....	Zion, Valley Park	Werr, Jeffrey	Zion, Macon
Stearns, Bryan.....	Our Redeemer, Overland	Wessel, Chris	St. Paul, Chaffee
Stearns, Steven	Trinity, St. Charles	Western, Joe	Trinity, Springfield
Stein, Gary.....	Grace Chapel, St. Louis	Wichern, Jeff	Zion, Pocahontas
Summerlin, Mark...	Grace, Lexington	Wilson, Todd	Faith, Knob Noster
Talbott, Mary	St. John's, Cole Camp	Winters, Matt	Zion, Pevely
Tenholder, Mike.....	St. Andrew, Cape Girardeau	Woerth, Benjamin..	Good Shepherd, Arnold
Thompson, Richard.....	Immanuel, Hannibal	Woodruff, Woody...	Hanover, Cape Girardeau
Tilman, Guy	King of Kings, Chesterfield	Yonke, Brian.....	St. Stephen, Liberty
Toney, Mike.....	Glendale, St. Louis		

Advisory Delegates

Biermann, Todd.....Ann Arbor	Kortmeyer, LeahCape Girardeau
Brandt, GaryCamdenton	Kreienkamp, Dan ...St. Louis
Bredehoeft, NealSt. Louis	Krueger, Kenneth...Fenton
Breite, Christine.....Cape Girardeau	Lehenbauer, Andrew..... Concordia
Buchholz, DavidPlatte Woods	Mallardi, Rocco.....Lincoln
Buchmueller, Ryan..... St. Joseph	Marler, William.....St. Louis
Burge, David.....Forsyth	Moennig, Amanda..Freistatt
Choate, LaurenFreistatt	Moore, SamConcordia
Drewitz, Glen.....Brunswick	Moser, SteveSpringfield
Fortmeyer, Amelia .St. Joseph	Muehler, Craig.....St. Louis
Fortmeyer, Bernard..... St. Joseph	Ninke, JohnJefferson City
Frank, DavidBlue Springs	Nummela, Pamela..Des Peres
Gage, DonnaBlue Springs	Nummela, Thomas.St. Louis
Glaskey, Jason.....Joplin	Rattelmuller, George..... Columbia
Golden, Kevin.....Clayton	Roundey, William ..Mexico
Gruenwald, Mark ...St. Louis	Simmons, Ronald...Stover
Hasz, MartySt. Louis	Stolle, Gary.....Independence
Hawkinson, Mark...Washington	Swartz, Josh.....St. Louis
Hertwig, Fred.....Cole Camp	Taylor, RyanSt. Charles
Kamprath, Stephen..... Rolla	Wilkey, MickeyBranson
Kirby, Peter.....St. Louis	Winningham, Paul..... Frohna
Knapp, Robert.....Cuba	Wormington, Dana..... Freistatt
Kohm, JasonO’Fallon	Zickfield, JamesJackson

2025 Slate of Nominees for Circuit Visitors

1. AltenburgRev. Dr. Paul Winningham
2. ArnoldRev. Dr. Jason Wagner
3. Cape GirardeauRev. Weston Wildauer
4. CarrolltonRev. Elden Kohn
5. ColumbiaRev. Anthony Alter
6. Concordia NorthRev. Mark Junkin
7. Concordia SouthRev. Joel Kurz
8. FarmingtonRev. Kyle Castens
9. Jackson BootheelRev. Jacob May
10. Jefferson CityRev. Brian Whittle
11. Kansas City CentralRev. Gary Stolle
12. Kansas City NorthRev. Gregg Reiser
13. Kansas City SouthRev. Steven Andrews, Jr.
14. Northeast MissouriRev. Jeffrey Dock
15. RollaRev. John Perling
16. St. CharlesRev. Ryan Taylor
17. St. JosephRev. David Moore
18. St. Louis AfftonRev. David Gruenwald
19. St. Louis EllisvilleRev. Trevor Freudenburg
20. St. Louis KirkwoodRev. Scott Jonas
21. St. Louis NorthRev. Nathan Ruback
22. St. Louis OverlandRev. Dr. Mark Femmel
23. St. Louis SouthRev. Matthew Clark
24. SedaliaRev. William Smith
25. Southwest Missouri.....Rev. Andrew Kennell
26. SpringfieldRev. Dr. Nicholas Hagerman
27. WashingtonRev. David Roth
28. WentzvilleRev. Donald Stock

Personnel Changes—Ordained

(Feb. 1–May 31, 2025)

Candidates Ordained/Installed

Ronsick, Eric (SL '24) ordained and installed Trinity – Cape Girardeau (Egypt Mills) 3/9/25 by L. Hagan

Transferred to Our District

Cook, Joshua (IN) to Concordia Publishing House – St. Louis 2/19/25 by J. Corzine

Trampe, Heath (ND) to LCMS Office of National Mission – St. Louis 2/7/25 by K. Robson

Transferred from a Partner Church

Maita, Sergio (Iglesia Luterana de Venezuela) to LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis 3/2/25 by T. Krey

Transferred to Other Districts

Barto, Gregory (Zion – Hillsboro) to SW 4/27/25

Becker, Wallace (Emeritus) to SELC 4/8/25

Gray, Roosevelt (Emeritus) to MI 2/21/25

Larson, Brandon (Concordia – Kirkwood) to PSW 2/28/25

Nelson, Andrew (Chapel of the Cross – St. Peter) to SW 3/15/25

Schlie, Jesse (Trinity – Jefferson City) to IE 3/16/25

Wenthe, Dean (Emeritus) to IN 9/30/24

Wood, Mark (LCMS – St. Louis) to EN 2/20/25

Changes within District

Becker, Andrew (St. John – Arnold) to LCMS Office of National Mission – St. Louis 2/25/25

Buchmueller, Barrett (LCMS Office of National Mission – St. Louis) to St. Paul, St. Joseph 3/2/25 by C. Otto

Peeples, Matthew (LINC – Houston, TX) to Faith – Oakville 3/30/25 by L. Hagan

Candidate Status

Schlund, Thomas (Concordia Seminary – St. Louis) 3/28/25

Retired

Gray, Roosevelt (LCMS Office of National Mission – St. Louis) 4/1/24

Reimnitz, David (Bethlehem – Raymore) 4/20/25

Deceased

Garrels, Dennis (Emeritus) 3/23/25

Gray, Barton (Emeritus) 5/3/25

Kuhn, Robert (Emeritus) 3/1/25

Lampe, Gary (Mt. Olive – St. Louis) 5/19/25

Schmidt, Warren (Emeritus) 2/23/25

Tormoehlen, Alger (Emeritus) 2/7/25

Membership Changes—Commissioned Ministers

(Feb. 1–May 31, 2025)

Graduates Installed

Daniels, Amanda (Colloquy RF '24) to Green Park – St. Louis, commissioned and installed 1/22/25 by J. Furgeson

Schaff, Noel (S '04) to LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis, commissioned and installed 2/16/25 by C. Ferry

Wood, Christopher (IR '24) to Zion – St. Charles, commissioned and installed 3/29/25 by M. Rouland

Transferred from Other Districts

Auger, Robert (MI) to Emeritus 2/28/25

Brunette, Janet (TX) to Emeritus 1/27/25

Chinberg, Kathleen (SD) to Candidate 2/19/25

Federwitz, Allison (NI) to Lutheran Bible Translators – Concordia 4/7/25

Fiala, Trevor (FG) to Concordia – Kirkwood 4/6/25 by S. Bongard

Changes within District

Chinberg, Kathleen (Candidate) to King of Kings – Chesterfield 3/30/25 by D. Chinberg

Hankemeier, Amanda (Candidate) to Green Park – St. Louis 1/22/25 by J. Furgeson

Wiencke, Dorothy (United in Christ – Frohna) to LASE Specialized Education – St. Louis 4/30/25 by N. Schram

Candidate Status

Cleveland, Tonja (Salem – Florissant) 8/1/24

Retired

Buchholz, David (Christ – Platte Woods) 9/1/24

Resigned-Removed from Roster

Staude, Edmund (Emeritus) 2/7/25

Transferred to Other Districts

Becker, Alvina (Emeritus) to SELC 8/8/25

Blackford, Bryan (Candidate) to TX 2/1/25

Bond, Gillian (Emeritus) to OK 5/9/25

Clayton, Anna (Word of Life – St. Louis) to NW 7/1/24

Cross, Rachel (Candidate) to SI 8/12/24

Diefenbach, Rebecca (Candidate) to OH 2/24/25

Honoree, Cheryl (Emeritus) to SO 5/27/25

Kellar, Robert (Emeritus) to SI 2/3/25

Langefeld, Richard (Emeritus) to SO 1/17/25

Leeper, Emily (Candidate) to SW 2/3/25

Meyer, Daniel (Christ Memorial – St. Louis) to NEB 5/31/25

Rathmann, Dawn (Emeritus) to SE 12/9/24

Rathmann, Rodney (Emeritus) to SE 12/9/24

Schave, Kimberly (Concordia University - Ann Arbor) to SW 5/27/25

Schultz, Colleen (Emeritus) to SW 2/24/25

Tull, Rhonda (Emeritus) to MDS 3/10/25

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FLOOR NOMINATION FORM

Office or Board:

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<input type="checkbox"/> First Vice President
<input type="checkbox"/> Secretary
<input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer
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<input type="checkbox"/> Board of Directors (Commissioned)
<input type="checkbox"/> Board of Directors (Lay) | <input type="checkbox"/> Council on Mission and Ministry (Ordained)
<input type="checkbox"/> Council on Mission and Ministry (Commissioned)
<input type="checkbox"/> Council on Mission and Ministry (Lay)
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Name of Recommended Person: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: () _____ Cell Phone: () _____ Email: _____

Age: _____ Occupation: _____

Status: (Check One) ☐ Ordained Minister ☐ Commissioned Minister ☐ Lay Person

Member of _____
(Name of Congregation) (City) (Circuit)

Qualifications:

1. Current Office in Congregation: _____

2. Past Service in Congregation/District/Synod: _____

3. Participation in Civic/Community Affairs: _____

4. Other Comments: _____

Signature of Delegate Recommending Nominee: _____

Name of Congregation: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Person Being Recommended: _____ Date: _____
(Signature indicates consent to serve in any duly elected office for which nominated and ability to attend regular board meetings.)

FORMS MUST BE RETURNED IN PERSON, AT CONVENTION TO: Secretary Samuel Powell