

2026 Synod Assembly Committees

Committee on Minutes

The **Committee on Minutes** shall consist of two ministers of Word and Sacrament and/or ministers of Word and Service and three laypersons appointed by the bishop.

Rev. Stephanie Gossett
Rev. Julie Johnson
Ryu Kroshus
Laurie Barlow
Tom Farnham

Credentials Committee

The **Credentials Committee** shall consist of two ministers of Word and Sacrament and/or ministers of Word and Service and three laypersons appointed by the bishop. This committee shall examine the applications and credentials of voting members to the Synod Assembly and report to the assembly.

Rev. Julie Johnson, chair
Taryn Jensen
Pam Maloney
Inez Olson

Reference and Counsel

The **Committee on Reference and Counsel** shall carry on the work of the Resolutions Committee during the Synod Assembly. Representatives from the Resolutions Committee should serve on this committee for continuity. This committee shall consist of two ministers of Word and Sacrament and/or ministers of Word and Service and three laypersons appointed by the bishop.

Rev. Beth Peterson, chair
Rev. David Peterson
Joel Kangas
Jon Lillejord
Nancy Rader

Nominating Committee and Elections Committee

The Nominating Committee serves as the Bishop Election Committee and members are also on the Elections Committee.

Rev. Louis Moehlman, chair
Beth Christianson-Melby
Rev. Tom Colenso
Merlyn Greene
Rev. Janelle Hansen
Bob Schlotman
Rev. Stephanie Tollefson
Alannah Valenta