



Congregational Registration Form (Communal Discernment)

Every Christian has a baptismal call to ongoing discernment of God's activity in the world, in the Church, and in one's life. The primary purpose behind emphasizing a phase of discernment prior to candidacy - normally with a rostered minister or mentor and a discernment team selected by the church council - is to assist applicants in reflecting upon aspects of their lives that might confirm a call to rostered leadership. Some aspects worthy of consideration include an understanding of baptismal vocation, spirituality and prayer life, critical life experiences, relationship with the community of faith, significant life influences, and family of origin. You are asked to provide your understanding of the person named below who seeks candidacy for Rostered Ministry in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. This will be a part of the information which will assist the Candidacy Committee in its task of evaluating and accompaniment of the applicant as they begin their candidacy journey. Thank you for your time and effort in providing a candid evaluation of this applicant.

Person Seeking Candidacy: Angel Scott

Congregation (Discernment Community)

Name: First Lutheran Church

Address: PO Box 153, 240 Elm St. W. Amery WI 54001
city state postal code

Pastor: Timothy Bjorge Synod: 5H - Northwest Synod of Wisconsin, ELCA

Congregational Membership

Date of applicant's membership in your congregation: 04/01/2023
mm/dd/yyyy

Number of years as a member: 1

Please share a brief description of this person's participation in the life of your congregation including any specific areas of responsibility and service.

Angel Scott's situation is unique. Our synod is aware of this. She is not actually a member of First Lutheran, but she desires to become an ELCA pastor and needs an ELCA congregation to fill out this form. Angel and her family moved to Amery early in 2023. She took a call to to be a pastor at a LCMC congregation north of Luck, Wisconsin. Her husband and sons have worshipped here frequently over the years and Angel worships with us when she has free Sundays and other opportunities, such as Lenten services. Angel has been coming to our Tuesday text study since she moved here. This is a group of pastors and synod authorized ministers that meets weekly. Most of us are ELCA leaders, and for the most part, we share the same thoughts about scripture, theology and social justice issues. It is also a support and prayer group for us. Angel spoke with us about her desire to become an ELCA pastor. We all encouraged her to do this and feel that she would do well as an ELCA pastor. Another person in our group is a retired Missouri Synod pastor who became a S.A.M. for First Lutheran when I took a sabbatical and is now pursuing the path to becoming a part of our ordained roster. First Lutheran is glad to be a help to those who are seeking ELCA roster status, especially with the clergy shortage.

Describe the process of discernment in which this person has been involved.

Angel Scott's discernment has been a long journey. She moved to Minnesota to pursue her education at Luther Seminary. Things didn't go as she expected, which led her to become a pastor for an LCMC congregation. She desires to be an ELCA pastor and our Tuesday text study group encourages her to pursue this again. Angel is a good theologian, is an avid reader, deep thinker and a very driven person. She likes serving the church and also her work as a military chaplain.

What is your assessment of this person's potential for leadership?

Angel Scott has already been a leader in her congregation and her chaplaincy.

To your knowledge, are there any personal factors related to health and well-being that might be of concern if this person enters public ministry? Please be specific.

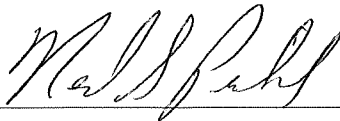
Not that I am aware of.

Describe any areas in which you believe this person might need specific guidance or nurture in order to pursue candidacy in the rostered ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Please be specific.

I am not aware of any. The candidacy committee will do well to help guide and nurture her in this process. Thanks! If you have any questions, please call. 715-554-3346

We hereby register this member of our congregation to be considered for candidacy in the rostered ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

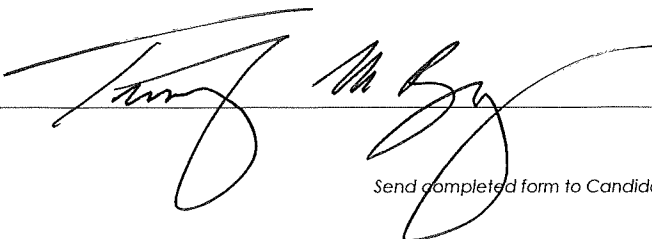
Chair of the Discernment Team or Council President:



Date:

10-2-2024
mm/dd/yyyy

Pastor:



Date:

10-2-2024
mm/dd/yyyy

Send completed form to Candidacy Committee at Synod Office.