

## REPORT ON NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT

Bylaw 2.099f provides for the direct nomination of candidates for the Office of President by congregations of Synod. Each congregation has the opportunity of placing two names in nominations and sending them to the Commission on Nominations and Elections (CNE) not later than four months prior to the opening date of the convention. The CNE shall report to the convention by means of the convention workbook the names of the candidates for the office of president.

Bylaw 2.099f.5 specifies that the candidates for the Office of President shall be five clergymen receiving the highest number of votes in the nominating ballots. In case of a tie for fifth place, all names involved in the tie shall be listed as candidates provided that the candidate has been listed on at least two nomination ballots.

Accordingly, the names listed below constitute the slate proposed to the 2026 convention of Lutheran Church–Canada. All have consented to have their names appear on the ballot.

That report is as follows:

Rev. David Haberstock 32 nominations  
Rev. Ted Giese 11 nominations  
Rev. Michael Schutz 11 nominations  
Rev. Joel Kuhl 3 nominations

Bylaw 2.099f.4 instructs the CNE to publish “the names and tallies of all pastors who have received nominating votes for the Office of President.”

The following received eight nominations  
Rev. Michael Keith (declined)

The following received five nominations  
Rev. Mark Smith (declined)

The following received four nominations  
Rev. Alex Klages (declined)

The following received three nominations  
Rev. Nolan Astley (declined)

The following received two nominations  
Rev. Paul Roggow (declined)

The following received one nomination:

Rev. Richard Beinert, Rev. David Bode, Rev. Marvin Bublitz, Rev. Stephen Chambers, Rev. Fraser Coltman, Rev. Mark Dressler, Rev. Kenneth Edel, Rev. Aaron Gust, Rev. Keith Haberstock, Rev. Jack Hetzel, Rev. Gregory Johnson, Rev. John Kreutzwieser, Rev. Kurt Lanz, Rev. Clint Magnus, Rev. Vishal Paul, Rev. Keith Reisdorf, Rev. Harold Ristau, Rev. Darren Siegle, Rev. Thomas Winger

The total number of nominating congregations was 71.

Respectfully submitted,  
Reg Tiegs, Chair  
Commission on Nominations and Elections

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**CANDIDATE PROFILE**

Name: **Giese, Theodore**

Age: 50

Degrees: BFA in Fine Art (NSCAD) 1997; MTS 2000, MDiv (CLS) 2007

Present Position: Lead Pastor Mount Olive Lutheran Church

Years in Synod: 19

Service to:

*Synod:* Synod Board of Directors (LCC) 2022 to present, International Missions Committee (LCC) 2022 to present, Board of Directors (CLWR) 2016-2022, Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary, St. Catharines teaching the Winter short term class (PRTH 7P51: A Lutheran Approach to Art, Media and Film) 2020 & 2025, Board of Regents (CLS) 2011-2016, Christianity & The Movies Quest Course (CLS) 2013, Art & Church presentation (CLS) 2012, Writing for Canadian Lutheran (print and online) 2009-2025; Lutheran Historical Institute Museum Committee (ABC District) 2007-2011; Lutheran Historical Institute Board of Directors (ABC District) 2004-2007; CLS Academic Liaison (ABC District LCC) 2004-2007; Canadian Lutheran World Relief (CLWR) Global Encounter to Holy Land and Jordan LCC representative 2018; Canadian Lutheran World Relief (CLWR) Global Encounter to Holy Land LCC representative 2014

*Region:* WASCANA Circuit Counsellor (Central District) 2009-11, Reflecting Christ in Art presentation LWML-C Central Zone (Central District) 2010, All fired Up Liturgist for Compile, District Youth Convention (Central District) 2008, Art and Outreach presentation Lay Enrichment School (Central District) 2008

*Congregation:* Art Work for Mount Olive Lutheran Church: Altar Top Insert improvement project, designer 2016

*Community/Other:* Under the Influence Hamilton Niagara Circuit Presentation (East Region) 2025, Lutherans in Africa - Lutheran School of Theology, Kenya teaching Fall short term class (MIN 121: Media and Art in Christian Theology and Worship; MIN 122: Introduction to Christian Worship Part I; MIN123: Christian Outreach Part I Evangelism, Discipleshi, Chapter 5: A Confessional Lutheran Approach to Reading Film in Film: Where the Metaphysical Meets the Phantasmagorical in Film, Philosophy and Religion ed. Rev. Dr. William H.U. Anderson (CUE) 2022, LCMS U University Student Study Weekend guest presenter @ College Hill Lutheran Church in Cedar Falls Iowa (LCMS) 2019, Stained glass window designer St. Paul Lutheran Church, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan (Central District) 2016, Southern Illinois District Spring Pastors Conference guest presenter (LCMS) 2015, Film reviewer for Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS) Reporter (online) 2014-2018; Contributor to KFUOam St. Louis (MO) 2014-2016; Film reviewer for Issues Etc radio programme 2013 - present; Stained glass window designer Zion Lutheran Church, Prince George, British Columbia (ABC District) 2002; Docent for Anno Domini: Jesus through the Centuries, Exhibition; Provincial Museum of Alberta 2000



**Name:** Haberstock, David  
**Age:** 50  
**Degrees:** BA, Music, Concordia University College, Edmonton  
**Present Position:** Regional Pastor of Central Region, LCC  
**Years in Synod:** 22 as member, 50 as congregational member  
**Service to:**  
**Synod:** Chaplain, National Youth Gathering 2022, Mission Trip, Nicaragua 2008, Presenter, LSB Introductory Seminars 2006, Presenter National Youth Gathering 1995, Board for Parish Services, Youth member 1993-1996  
**Region:** Regional Pastor 2019-2026, Central District Board of Directors 2006-2015  
**Congregation:** Youth Ministry 2024-2025, Pastor, Grace, Regina, SK 2015-2018, Pastor, Epiphany, Thunder Bay, ON 2004-2015, Young Adult Group Bible Study Leader 2000-2002, Sunday School Teacher 1992-1994, Many church musicals as a child  
**Community/Other:** Chaplain, Brain Injury Services Northern Ontario 2008-2012, Thunder Bay Symphony Chorus 2004-2006, Sine Nomine Choir 2000-2002, 2003-2004, CREW Ministries, full time music team 1996-1997



**Name:** Kuhl, Joel  
**Age:** 50  
**Degrees:** B.A., MDiv  
**Present Position:** Pastor, Redeemer, Waterloo, ON  
**Years in Synod:** 25 (as pastor); whole life  
**Service to:**


**Synod:** CTCR 2014 – present, CTCR elected Chairman 2018-present, CTCR Dialogue Representative to Roman Catholic Dialogue 2018 – present, CTCR Dialogue Representative to Anglican Church in N.America with LCMS participation 2018 – present, teaching a continuing education class behalf of LCC in Nicaragua in November 2023

**Region:** Circuit Counselor (Ottawa Circuit) 2006-2012, Department for Outreach (Secretary) 2013-2018, Served a term each: Communication Committee (East), Nominations Committee (East)

**Congregation:**

**Community/Other:** Kitchener-Waterloo Clergy Curling Executive 2018-2021, teaching a seminary class in November 2025



Name:	<b>Schutz, Michael</b>	
Age:	49	
Degrees:	BA (Honours) in Music & Religious Studies (1998)	
Present Position:	Parish Pastor and LCC Vice-President	
Years in Synod:	25	
Service to:		
Synod:	Vice-President 2022-present, CCMS 2017-2018, CTC 2003-2005, 2012-present, Workshop/Seminar Presenter 2004-present	
Region:	Circuit Counsellor/West RMMC 2018-2022, ABC District Review Task Force 2015-2016, Workshop/Seminar/Music Leader 2000-2014	
Congregation:	Pastor, Concordia Penticton 2013-present, DPS, Concordia Penticton 2009-2013, DPS, Redeemer Spokane (LCMS) 2005-2009, DPS, First Kelowna 2000-2004	
Community/Other:	School Parent Committees 2010-present, Youth Sports Coach 2009-present, Peach City Radio, Host & Coordinator 2019-2022, Okanagan Fruit Tree Project 2013-2023	

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**REPORT ON NOMINATIONS FOR VICE-PRESIDENT**

Bylaw 2.099f provides for the direct nomination of candidates for the Office of Vice-President by the congregations of Synod. Each congregation has the opportunity of placing two names in nomination and sending them to the Commission on Nominations and Elections (CNE) not later than 4 months prior to the opening date of the convention. The CNE according to Bylaw 2.099f.4 shall report to the convention by means of the convention workbook the names of the candidates for the Office of Vice-President.

Bylaw 2.099f.5 specifies that the candidates for the Office of Vice-President shall be the five persons receiving the highest number of votes in the nominating ballots of the congregations. In the event of a tie for the fifth position among the candidates, all names involved in the tie shall be listed as candidates, provided that the candidate has been named on at least two nominating ballots, and if no fifth candidate so qualifies, the fifth ballot position will be eliminated. In the event of the death, declination, or unavailability of any candidate, the having the next highest number of votes shall become a candidate.

Accordingly, the names listed constitute the slate proposed to the convention. All have given their consent to have their names appear on the ballot.

Rev. Michael Schutz 19 nominations  
 Rev. Ted Giese 13 nominations  
 Rev. Joel Kuhl 8 nominations  
 Rev. Kurt Lantz 3 nominations  
 Rev. David Zakel 3 nominations

Bylaw 2.099f.4 instructs the CNE to publish “the names and tallies of all pastors who have received nominating votes for the Office of Vice-President.”

That report is as follows:

The following received four nominations:  
 Rev. David Haberstock\*

The following received three nominations:  
 Rev. Arron Gust (declined)  
 Rev. Michael Keith (declined)

The following received two nominations:  
 Rev. Dan Abraham, Rev. Aaron Astley, Rev. Nolan Astley, Rev. Jeffery Dul, Rev. Brian Falkenholt, Rev. James Keller, Rev. Alex Klages, Rev. Kurt Reinhardt, Rev. Cameron Schnarr, Rev. James Vosper

The following received one nomination:  
 Rev. Saulo Bledoff, Rev. Fraser Coltman, Rev. Brian Dunlop, Rev. Ken Eifert, Rev. Randy Heide, Rev. Jack Hetzel, Rev. Gregory Johnson, Rev. Richard Juritsch, Rev. Lee Loveridge, Rev. Scott Lyons, Rev. Robert Mohns\*, Rev. Rudy Pastucha, Rev. Vishal Paul, Rev. Paul Schallhorn, Rev. Darren Siegle, Rev. Mark Smith\* (\*ineligible ref. SB 11.01)

The total number of nominating congregations was 60.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Reg Tiegs, Chair  
 Commission on Nominations and Elections

**CANDIDATE PROFILE**

Name: **Giese, Theodore** (see President Profile)

Name: **Kuhl, Joel** (see President Profile)

Name: **Lantz, Kurt**

Age: 56

Degrees: B.Sc, MDiv

Present Position: Parish Pastor; Commission on Nominations and Elections

Years in Synod: 28

Service to:

*Synod:* Commission on nominations and Elections 2022-2026, CLTS Guest Instructor 2019-2026

*Region:* Niagara Circuit Couselor 2015-2023, East Region Mission and Ministry Council 2015-2022, East District Dept for Parish Services 2000-2006


*Congregation:* Resurrection, St. Catharines 2009-2026, Saouthampton, Southampton 2003-2009, Grace, Kincardine 1998-2009

*Community/Other:* Brock University Associate Chaplain 2009-2026, Spiritual Care Committee, Kincardine hospital and Trillium Court Nursing Home 2000-2009



Name: **Schutz, Michael** (see President Profile)

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Name:	<b>Zakel, David</b>	
Age:	45	
Degrees:	Ba, BEd, MDiv	
Present Position:	Pastor	
Years in Synod:	Entire life (4.5 ordained)	
Service to:		
Synod:	Convention representative - Pastoral 2022, Convention representative - Lay 2012, 2015, Convention representative - Lay - London 2008	
Region:	RMMC Hamilton Area Fall 2025-present, Task Force Spring 2024-present, Musik Awaz Radio Chair 2023-2024, Communications Committee Chair 2012-2016, Communications Committee Secretary 2010-2012	
Congregation:	Pastor Spring 2021-present, Vicar 2020-2021, Serving on various boards and committees prior to attendary seminary in 2016	
Community/Other:	Secondary School Teacher 2005-2016, Coach (football, wrestling, baseball) 2005-2016	

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**REPORT ON NOMINATIONS FOR REGIONAL PASTORS**

Bylaw 2.099g provides for the direct nomination of candidates for the Office of Regional Pastor by the congregations of Synod. Each congregation has the opportunity of placing two names in nomination and sending them to the Commission on Nominations and Elections (CNE) not later than 4 months prior to the opening date of the convention. The CNE according to Bylaw 2.099g.4 shall report to the convention by means of the convention workbook the names of the candidates for the Office of Regional Pastor.

Bylaw 2.099g.5 specifies that the candidates for the Office of Regional Pastor shall be the three persons receiving the highest number of votes in the nominating ballots of the congregations. In the event of a tie for the fifth position among the candidates, all names involved in the tie shall be listed as candidates, provided that the candidate has been named on at least two nominating ballots, and if no fifth candidate so qualifies, the fifth ballot position will be eliminated. In the event of the death, declination, or unavailability of any candidate, the having the next highest number of votes shall become a candidate.

Accordingly, the names listed constitute the slate proposed to the convention. All have given their consent to have their names appear on the ballot.

Bylaw 2.099g.4 instructs the CNE to publish “the names and tallies of all pastors who have received nominating votes for the Office of Regional Pastor.”

That report is as follows:

**Central:**

Rev. David Haberstock 8 nominations

The following received five nominations  
Rev. Arron Gust (declined)

The following received two nominations:  
Rev. Michael Keith (declined)  
Rev. James Vosper (declined)

**East:**

Rev. Marvin Bublitz 29 nominations  
Rev. Vishal Paul 2 nominations  
Rev. Kurt Reinhardt 2 nominations

The following received four nominations:  
Rev. Andre Schroth 4 nominations (declined)

The following received two nominations:  
Rev. Aaron Astley (declined)  
Rev. Kurt Lantz (declined)  
Rev. Paul Schallhorn (declined)

**West:**

Rev. Jan Pastucha 8 nominations  
Rev. Michael Schutz 4 nominations

The following received five nominations:  
Rev. Fraser Coltman (declined)

The following received four nominations:  
Rev. Michael Keith (declined)

The following received two nominations:  
Rev. Keith Haberstock (declined)  
Rev. Phil Washeim (declined)  
Rev. David Dressler (declined)

The following received one nomination:  
Rev. Rod Buck, Rev. Ted Giese, Rev. Don Hennig, Rev. Greg Johnson, Rev. Alex Klages, Rev. Joel Kuhl, Rev. Lee Loveridge, Rev. Scott Lyons, Rev. Cameron Schnarr, Rev. Jason Schultz, Rev. Darren Siegle, Rev. David Smilek, Rev. Neil Stern, Rev. Kevin Walrath, Rev. Nicholas Wasylowich

The total number of nominating congregations was 78.

Respectfully submitted,  
Reg Tiegs, Chair  
Commission on Nominations and Elections

**CANDIDATE PROFILE**

Name: **Bublitz, Marvin**  
Age: 61  
Degrees: Psy/Soc/Communications/Greek  
Present Position: LCC, East Regional Pastor  
Years in Synod: 39  
Service to:



*Synod:* East RP 2019-present, Synodical Nominations Committee (2009-2015), Worker Benefit Plans -Pension & Benefits Advisory Committee (2012), Restructuring Work Group, Convention Delegate, Resolutions Committee

*Region:* Circuit Counsellor (2006-2012), East District - Board of Directors (2012-2019), Director-at-large, Handbook Committee (secretary, chair), Governance Committee, Outreach Liaison, Vice-chairman, 1st VP, 2nd VP, Nomination Committee (1994-2000, 1997 sec.; 2003-2009 chair), Communications Committee, Chairman (2002-2008), Doctrinal Unity Committee (2006-2009), Resolutions Committees

*Congregation:* Redeemer, Monkton/First, Logan (2002-2019), Faith, Dunnville (1998-2002), St. John's, Gasline (1991-1998)

*Community/Other:* Board of Directors - Ritz Lutheran Villa (Long Term Care Home) (2007-2012), Bldg Com Chair, Treasurer (2008-2009), Board Chair (2009-2012), On-call Hospital Chaplain (1991-2002), Pastoral Advisor, LWML Niagara Zone, CLTS Adult Education Instructor (1993-1994)

Name: **Haberstock, David** (see President Profile)

Name: **Pastucha, Jan**

Age: 57

Degrees: BA, MDiv

Present Position: Pastor, King of Kings, St. Albert, AB; 1/2 time Pastor Riverbend, Edmonton, AB

Years in Synod: 32

Service to:

*Synod:* Reconciliation committee 2022- , Committee on Worship and music 2006-08, Local arrangements chair all synod church workers conf. 2006, Interim VP admin CLS Edmonton 2025

*Region:* Circuit counsellor -Edmonton 2025- , LWML Concordia Zone Pastoral advisor 2023- , Alberta region Sabbath conf. committee 2019-20, ABC district board of youth chair 2009-12, Red River Circuit counsellor Winnipeg 2004-08, Central District youth board chair 2002, Central District committee on student aid/recruitment 1996

*Congregation:* King of Kings St. Albert AB 2008- , Riverbend Edmonton AB 1/2 time 2024- , Immanuel - Winnipeg, MB 1998-2008, Good Shepherd/Zion/Prairie River Hudson Bay, Mistatim, Prairie River SK 1994-1998

*Community/Other:* Volunteer Chaplain Sturgeon Hosp. St. Albert 2024- , Show and Shine event fund raiser organizer for Stollery Hospital, Edmonton, AB 2010-15



Name: **Paul, Vishal**

Age: 47

Degrees: Bachelor of Commerce(1999); Master of Arts-Economics(2001) - Guru Nanak Dev-University; Master of Divinity (2020) (Brock/ CLTS)

Present Position: Sr. Pastor - Risen Christ and Immanuel Lutheran Church / Circuit Counsellor - Toronto

Years in Synod: 10 (5 years 7 month as Pastor)

Service to:

*Synod:* Circuit Counsellor -Toronto LC-C Aug 2022

*Region:* Board Member -Radio Masih Ki Awaz June 2023

*Congregation:* Vacancy Pastor - Christ our King Jan 2026, Sr. Pastor - Risen Christ & Immanuel Sept 2025, Vacancy Pastor Immanuel Nov 2022, Pastor - Risen Christ Aug 2020

*Community/Other:* South Asia Lutheran Mission (VP of Board) Jun 2022, Reg. Manager BCM Asia-Pacific (Moody's) Jul 2014, Change Board -Moody's Acquisition of India - Jan 2015, Project Team Lead - Check Fraud, Safe Box (BofA), Project Transition Lead -National Help Line (BofA)



Name: **Reinhardt, Kurt**

Age: 56

Degrees: BA Hon., MDiv

Present Position: Pastor

Years in Synod: 27

Service to:

*Synod:* IMC Chair, BOD, Board of Regents - CLTS

*Region:* Circuit Counselor

*Congregation:*

*Community/Other:*



Name: **Schutz, Michael** (see President Profile)

**REPORT ON NOMINATIONS FOR CIRCUIT COUNSELLORS**

Bylaw 2.099h provides for the direct nomination of candidates for the Office of Regional Pastor by the congregations of Synod. Each congregation has the opportunity of placing two names in nomination and sending them to the Commission on Nominations and Elections (CNE) not later than 4 months prior to the opening date of the convention. The CNE according to Bylaw 2.099h.4 shall report to the convention by means of the convention workbook the names of the candidates for the Office of Circuit Counsellor.

Bylaw 2.099h.5 specifies that the candidates for the Office of Circuit Counsellor shall be the three persons receiving the highest number of votes in the nominating ballots of the congregations. In the event of a tie for the fifth position among the candidates, all names involved in the tie shall be listed as candidates, provided that the candidate has been named on at least two nominating ballots, and if no fifth candidate so qualifies, the fifth ballot position will be eliminated. In the event of the death, declination, or unavailability of any candidate, the having the next highest number of votes shall become a candidate.

Accordingly, the names listed constitute the slate proposed to the convention. All have given their consent to have their names appear on the ballot.

Bylaw 2.099h.4 instructs the CNE to publish “the names and tallies of all pastors who have received nominating votes for the Office of Circuit Counsellor.”

The total number of nominating congregations was 94.

Respectfully submitted,  
Reg Tiegs, Chair  
Commission on Nominations and Elections

<b>Central Region – Candidates for Election</b>		
<b>Assiniboine Circuit</b>	<b>Northland Circuit</b>	<b>Ontario Circuit</b>
Rev. Barry Wood 1 nomination	Rev. Jakob Valsson 3 nominations	
Rev. Kai Buck 1 nomination (declined)		Rev. Stephen Bartlett 4 nominations (declined)
<b>Qu'Appell Circuit</b>	<b>Red River Circuit</b>	<b>Saskatoon Circuit</b>
Rev. Brad Julien 1 nomination	Rev. Richard Beinert 3 nominations	
Rev. Joshua Kurtenbach 1 nomination		
	Rev. Cameron Schnarr 2 nominations (declined)	Rev. Rudy Pastucha 1 nomination (declined)
	Rev. Glenn Worcester 2 nominations (declined)	Rev. Murray Keith 1 nomination (declined)
		Rev. Peter Knelson 1 nomination (declined)
<b>Southland Circuit</b>	<b>Wascana Circuit</b>	
Rev. Travis Heide 2 nominations	Rev. Arron Gust 3 nominations	
Rev. Adrian Kramer 1 nomination (declined)	Rev. Daryl Solie 2 nominations (declined)	
Rev. Jason Shultz 1 nomination (declined)	Rev. Laverne Hautz 1 nomination (eliminated by tie for 3 <sup>rd</sup> position)	
	Rev. Nigel Prozenko 1 nomination (eliminated by tie for 3 <sup>rd</sup> position)	

<b>East Region – Candidates for Election</b>		
<b>Hamilton Circuit</b>	<b>Hanover Circuit</b>	<b>Kitchener Circuit</b>
Rev. Andrew Cottrill 1 nomination	Rev. Kenneth Maher 5 nominations	Rev. James Keller 2 nominations
Rev. David Zakel 3 nominations		
	Rev. Jody Rinas 1 nomination (declined)	Rev. Robin Korsch 1 nomination (declined)
	Rev. David Saar 1 nomination (declined)	Rev. Paul Roggow 1 nomination (declined)
		Rev. Andre Schroth 1 nomination (declined)
<b>London Circuit</b>	<b>Niagara Circuit</b>	<b>Ottawa Circuit</b>
Rev. Dan Abraham 1 nomination		Rev. Aaron Astley 6 nominations
Rev. Paul Schallhorn 1 nomination		Rev. Matthew Habermas 2 nominations
		Rev. Milton Lam 1 nomination
	Rev. Saulo Bledoff 1 nomination (declined)	
Rev. Siem Manna 1 nomination (declined)	Rev. David Hamp 3 nomination (declined)	
<b>Stratford Circuit</b>	<b>Toronto Circuit</b>	<b>Windsor Circuit</b>
	Rev. Vishal Paul 5 nominations	
Rev. Jack Hetzel 5 nominations (declined)	Rev. Guntar Baikovs 1 nomination (declined)	Rev. Dan Abraham 1 nomination (ineligible-not serving in circuit)
Rev. William Kramer 6 nomination (declined)		Rev. Paul Schallhorn 1 nomination (ineligible-not serving in circuit)

<b>West Region – Candidates for Election</b>		
<b>Calgary Circuit</b>	<b>Cariboo Circuit</b>	<b>Edmonton Circuit</b>
Rev. David Dressler 3 nominations	Rev. Noel Smith 2 nominations	
Rev. Mark Rekken 1 nomination (declined)		Rev. Scott Lyons 4 nominations (declined)
		Rev. Neil Stern 3 nominations (declined)
<b>Greater Vancouver Circuit</b>	<b>Lethbridge Circuit</b>	<b>Okanagan Circuit</b>
Rev. Lucas Albrecht 3 nominations	Rev. Lee Loveridge 1 nomination	Rev. Darren Siegle 2 nominations
Rev. Mark Chiang 1 nomination (declined)	Rev. Ken Edel 1 nomination (declined)	Rev. Andrew McDonald 3 nominations (declined)
Rev. Brian Falkenholt 1 nomination (declined)	Rev. Wendel Ritz 2 nominations (declined)	Rev. Michael Schutz 1 nomination (eliminated by tie for 3 <sup>rd</sup> position)
		Rev. James Wood 1 nomination (eliminated by tie for 3 <sup>rd</sup> position)
<b>Peace River Circuit</b>	<b>Stony Plain Circuit</b>	<b>Vancouver Island</b>
Rev. Terrance Goerz 1 nomination		Rev. Stephen Chambers 5 nominations
	Rev. Rod Buck 1 nomination (declined)	Rev. Tom Kruesel 2 nomination (declined)
		Rev. Phil Washeim 1 nomination (declined)
<b>Wetaskiwin Circuit</b>		
Rev. Brian Amison 1 nomination		
Rev. Russ Howard 1 nomination (declined)		

**CANDIDATE PROFILE**

Name: **Abraham, Dan**

Age: 61

Degrees: BA with Distinction, Mdiv

Present Position: Pastor

Years in Synod: 33

Service to:

*Synod:* BoD for CLTS June 2014 to present

*Region:* CC's rep to RMMC Sept. 2023 to present, East District Dept of Finance Sept. 2012 to Oct. 2018, Interim Circuit Counsellor - London Circuit Sept. 2009 to 2012, Central District Student Aid Com. 1994 to 2008

*Congregation:* St. Peter's Lutheran Church, July 2008 to present, Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Winnipeg, MB August 1998 to July 2008, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Melfor, SK June 1993 to July 1998

*Community/Other:* Melfor, SK Food Bank 1994 to 1998, Norfolk Pregnancy Centre Founding Member 2009 to 2012



Name: **Albrecht, Lucas**

Age: 50

Degrees: Bachelor Degree in Communications, Doctoral Student at the Concordia Seminary, St. Louis (2022-2026)

Present Position: Pastor at Hope Lutheran Church

Years in Synod: 9

Service to *Synod:*

*Region:*

*Community:*

*Other:*



Name: **Amison, Brian**  
Age: 66  
Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, MDiv  
Present Position: Pastor Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Years in Synod: 35  
Service to:  
*Synod:*  
*Region:*  
*Congregation:* Immanuel Lutheran Church, Rocky Mountain House, AB 2014-present, St. John/St. Matthew, Magrath/Milk River, AB 1995-2014, Faith/St. John, Cardston/Magrath, AB 1991-1995  
*Community/Other:*



Name: **Astley, Aaron**  
Age: 37  
Degrees: BA, MDiv, STM (spring 2026)  
Present Position: Pastor  
Years in Synod: 10  
Service to:  
*Synod:* CLS Board of Regents – 2017 to 2021, Niagara Zone LWML  
Pastoral Advisor – 2018 to 2021  
*Region:*  
*Congregation:* Pastor – Christ Our Saviour, Grimsby and Redeemer, Hamilton – August 2015 to April 2023,  
Pastor – St. Luke, Ottawa – May 2023 to present  
*Community/Other:* Youth Soccer Coach – 2019 and 2021



Name: **Beinert, Richard**

Age: 57

Degrees: BA(Hn), MA, PhD, MDiv, GDRE

Present Position: Pastor

Years in Synod: 28

Service to:

*Synod:* CNE since 2025, PAT program Committee 2008-2021

*Region:* Acring Cuircuit Counselor since Dec. 2025

*Congregation:* Saint James (Winnipeg) since 2018, Immanuel (Winnipeg) 2009-2018, Saint James, Associate (Winnipeg) 2006-2009, Redeemer (Westbank, BC) 1998-2005

*Community/Other:* CLS, Edmonton - Adjunct Professor 2005-2015, CLS, Edmonton - Guest Professor since 2025, LWML-C National pastoral Counselor since 2018, LWML-C Central District pastoral Counselor 2007-2018, LWML-C Okanagan Zone pastoral Counselor 1999-2005, Okanagan Camp and Retreat Center, pastoral Counselor 1999-2005, Manitoba Trauma Network since 2015



Name: **Chambers, Stephen**

Age: 63

Degrees: B.A., M.Div., Ph.D

Present Position: Pastor, Our Saviour LC, Parksville BC

Years in Synod: 37

Service to:

*Synod:* Lutheran Bible Translators – Canada board 2019-2025, Doctrinal Reviewer 2009-2016, Commission on Constitutional Matters & Structure 2009-2014,

*Region:* ABC District Salary Review Committee 2006-2011, ABC District Task Force on Churchworker Health, 2006-2009

*Congregation:* Our Saviour, Parksville, BC 2021-present, Grace, Edmonton, AB 2020-2021, Concordia Lutheran Seminary, Edmonton, AB, 2002-2019, St. Matthew (LCMS), Scarborough, ON (interim) 1998-2001, Concordia, Edmonton (Millwoods), 1993-1998, Good Shepherd, Valleyview, AB // Redeemer, High Prairie, AB, 1989-1993

*Community/Other:*



**Name:** Cottrill, Andrew  
**Age:** 38  
**Degrees:** Bible certificate Capernwray Hall (UK), BA (hons.) History - Brock, MA History - McMaster, Mdiv - Brock/CLTS  
**Present Position:** Pastor  
**Years in Synod:** 9  
**Service to:**  
*Synod:* LCC 09/2021-present  
*Region:*  
*Congregation:* Pastor - Zion Lutheran Church, Yorkton, SK 07/2017-08/2021, Pastor - Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Fisherville, ON 09/2021-present  
*Community/Other:*



**Name:** Dressler, David  
**Age:** 61  
**Degrees:** BA, MDiv  
**Present Position:** Parish Pastor  
**Years in Synod:** 35  
**Service to:**  
*Synod:* LCC 2015-2017, LCC 2nd Vice-President 2012-2015, LCC 3rd Vice-President 2009-2012  
*Region:* West Region Lethbridge Circuit Counselor, ABC District  
*Congregation:* 2015 – Present Volunteer Supervising Churchworker Lutheran Church of The Good Shepherd (Policy Governance), 2006 – Present Pastor – Lutheran Church of The Good Shepherd, Calgary, 1995 – 2006 Pastor Grace Lutheran Church, Port Alberni, BC, 1991 – 1995 Pastor Redeemer Lutheran Church, The Pas, MB  
*Community/Other:*



Name: **Goerz, Terrance**

Age: 78

Degrees:

Present Position: Circuit Counselor

Years in Synod: 8

Service to:

*Synod:* BOD 1993 – 2005, Concordia Lutheran Mission Society 1996 - 2015

*Region:* LLL 1973 – 1993

*Congregation:* PAT Pastor, Chairman, Elder, Bible study leader

*Community/Other:* Chamber of Commerce 1980 - 1989



Name: **Gust, Arron**

Age: 55

Degrees: MDiv

Present Position: Pastor Grace Lutheran Regina

Years in Synod: 25

Service to *Synod:* Synod Board of Adjudication (Brief), Seminary Taskforce 2009-2011

*Region:* Central District Vice President 2015, Central BOD 2009, Chairman: Central Constitution Committee, Chairman: Central District Floor Committee, Chairman: Taskforce on Vacant Non-Calling Congregations

*Community:* LWML Zone Chaplin, Langenburg United Soccer Club, Developer, Organizer, and BoD 2009-18

*Other:*



Name: **Habermas, Matthew**  
Age: 43  
Degrees: MDiv  
Present Position: Pastor of Chist Evangelical Lutheran Church, Petawawa  
Years in Synod: 16  
Service to:  
*Synod:*  
*Region:* Toronto Circuit Counsellor 2018-22  
*Congregation:*  
*Community/Other:*



Name: **Heide, Travis**  
Age: 34  
Degrees: BA, Major in Modern Languages/Minor in English  
Present Position: Pastor  
Years in Synod: 34  
Service to:  
*Synod:* Board of Directors, Lutheran Bible Translators of Canada May 2022 - Present  
*Region:* Recruitment Officer - Southland Circuit, CLS Edmonton, AB Oct 2025 - Present  
*Congregation:* Pastor, Cypress Lutheran Parish of Swift Current & Ponteix, SK Jul 2020 – Present, Vicar, Redeemer Lutheran Parish of Kitimat & Terrace, BC Aug 2018 - Jul 2019, Field Worker, Grace Lutheran Church (Sudanese), Edmonton, AB 2017 – 2018, Summer Vicar, St. Paul Lutheran Church Medicine Hat, AB Jun - Aug 2017, Field Worker, All Saints Lutheran Church, Edmotnon, AB 2016 – 2017, Lay Voting Delegate - Central District Convention, St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Warman, SK May 2015  
*Community/Other:* Vice President, Swift Current & Area Ministerial Association Jun 2025 - Present



Name: **Julien, Bradley**

Age: 59

Degrees: B.A., MDiv.

Present Position: Parish Pastor Emmanuel - Southey; St.Paul - Cupar

Years in Synod: 28

Service to:

*Synod:* LWML-C National Pastoral Counsellor 2012-2018, have supervised 2 vicars

*Region:* Northland Circuit Cousellor 2001-2006, Central District - Communication Committee, served several vacancies

*Congregation:* Southey/Cupar SK 2020-present, Kakabeka Falls/Street Reach ON 2018-2020, Swift Current/Ponteix/Maple Creek SK 2008-2018, Middle Lake/Bethany SK 2000-2008, Fairview/Ames Creek AB 1997-2000, Vicarage - Cranbrook/Kimberly BC 1995/96

*Community/Other:* Family Community Support Services in Fairview AB (incl. pres) 1997-2000, Swift Current Kiwanis Club (incl.pres.) 2008-2018



Name: **Keller, James**

Age: 59

Degrees: B.Sc.PhM, M.A., PhD.

Present Position: Pastor - Historic St Paul's Lutheran Church, Kitchener, ON

Years in Synod: 59

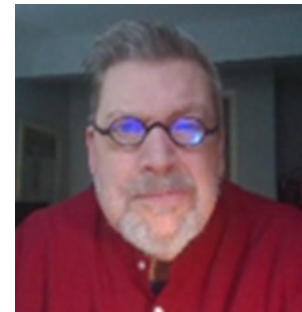
Service to:

*Synod:* Adjunct Faculty-CLTS-2011-present, Pastoral Advisor - LWML Canada - 2018-24, Board of Directors - LBTC - 2025 - 26

*Region:* Pastoral Advisor LWML KW Circuit 2000-2, Vacancy Pastor - HSP - 2010

*Congregation:* Pr of Peace Burlington 2008-9, - Pilgrim Hamilton 2007-8, - St Peter's Simcoe 2009-10, - St Peter's New Hamburg 2013-14

*Community/Other:* Heart and Stroke canvass - 2016-17



Name: **Kurtenbach, Joshua**  
Age: 36  
Degrees: BA, Mdiv  
Present Position: Pastor  
Years in Synod: 5  
Service to:  
*Synod:*  
*Region:* Circuit Counsellor 2022-present, RMMC 2022-present  
*Congregation:*  
*Community/Other:*



Name: **Lam, Milton**  
Age: 39  
Degrees: Bachelor of Arts and Science, Mdiv (Brock University)  
Present Position: Pastor of Christ Risen Lutheran Church, Kanata  
Years in Synod: 10  
Service to:  
*Synod:* Purpose and Priority Planning Committee 2022  
*Region:* BOD East District Corp 2019-2022  
*Congregation:* Pastor of Christ Risen, Kanata Sept 2023-present, Pastor of Christ, Timmis Aug 2016-2023  
*Community/Other:*



Name: **Loveridge, Lee**  
Age: 54  
Degrees: B.A., MDiv.  
Present Position: Pastor  
Years in Synod: my whole life, pastor for 25  
Service to:  
*Synod:*  
*Region:*  
*Congregation:*  
*Community/Other:*



Name: **Maier, Kenneth**

Age: 55

Degrees: BA, MDiv

Present Position: Pastor

Years in Synod:

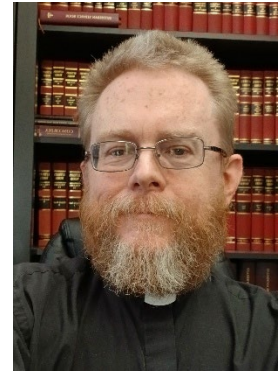
Service to:

*Synod:* Pastoral advisor to Lutherans For Life Canada (2018-2021),  
Pastoral Advisor to Lutheran Women's Missionary League Canada  
(2009-2015)

*Region:* Circuit Counsellor, Hanover Circuit (2022 - Present), Circuit Counsellor, Northlands Circuit  
(2005-2008), Pastoral Advisor to LWML-C Central District (2000-2004), Chairman of Central  
District Constitution Committee (1999-2002)

*Congregation:*

*Community/Other:* Volunteer with the Collingwood Museum (2015 to present), Volunteer with the Beinn Gorm  
Highlanders (2015 to present)



Name: **Paul, Vishal** (see Regional Pastor Profile)

Name: **Schallhorn, Paul**

Age: 64

Degrees: B.A., M.Div.

Present Position: Pastor at Peace, Tillosburg

Years in Synod: 36.5

Service to:

*Synod:* CCMS 2011-present, Secretary of Synod 2011-2017, Board of  
Regents, CLS 1996-2005, 2007-2011, LWMLC Pastoral Advisor, Ontario District, Pastoral  
Counsellor, Zone Counsellor 2000s

*Region:* Windsor Circuit Counselor (Appointed) 2003-2005, East District CEF Board 2017-2021,  
Central District Constitution Committee 1993-96

*Congregation:* Peace, Tillsonburg, ON 2015 – Present, Christ, Sarnia, ON 1998-2015, Christ, Thunder Bay,  
ON 1991-1998, Zion, Surrey, BC 1989-1991

*Community/Other:* Nursing Home Service Leader 2000-Present, House League Soccer Coach 2000-2010, Adult  
Smith Clinic Inpatient Board 1995-1998



Name: **Siegle, Darren**

Age:

Degrees: B.A., MDiv

Present Position: Pastor, St. Paul/Grace Lutheran Churches, Oliver/Osoyoos, BC

Years in Synod:

Service to:

*Synod:* LLL Central Pastoral Advisor (1995-1997); Jackfish Lutheran Camp Board (1992-1997)

*Region:* Central: Chairman, Student Recruitment & Financial Aid (1992-1997)

*Congregation:*

*Community/Other:* Grande Cache Hospital Chaplain; Grande Cache Institutional Visitations



Name: **Smith, Noel**

Age: 52

Degrees: BA, Mdiv

Present Position: Pastor and Circuit Counselor

Years in Synod: 26

Service to:

*Synod:*

*Region:*

*Congregation:*

*Community/Other:*



Name: **Valsson, Jakob**

Age: 54

Degrees: Regent College: MA and ThM

Present Position: Priest at Faith Lutheran Church, Middle Lake

Years in Synod: 15

Service to:

*Synod:*

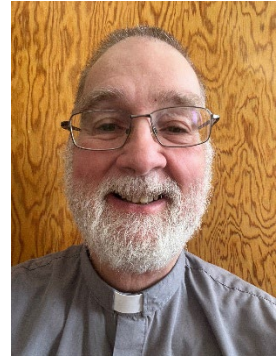
*Region:*

*Congregation:* Pastor, Trinity Lutheran, Abbotsford 2018-2022, Pastor, Faith Lutheran, Middle Lake 2022-present

*Community/Other:*



Name: **Wood, Barry**  
Age: 63  
Degrees: U of Regina, B.A in Religious Studies (with distinction)  
Present Position: Assiniboine CC; Pastor of Grace Lutheran, Zorra, SK/St. Matthew's Lutheran, Roblin, MB  
Years in Synod: 35  
Service to:  
*Synod:* Central Region Assiniboine CC 2009-present (17 years)  
*Region:* Central Region Pastor 1987-1996, 2001-2026  
*Congregation:* St. Paul, Broadview, SK/Trinity, Moosomin, SK 1987-1990, CKT Parish, SK 2008-2013, Trinity, Winkler, MB/Zion, Morden, MB 1990-1993, Grace, Zorra, SK/St. Matthew's, Roblin, MB 2013-present, Redeemer, Prince Albert, SK 1993-1996, Living Christ, Lipton, SK 2001-2003, St Paul, Indian Head, SK 2003-2008 (con't)  
*Community/Other:* MS Society, SK Division chair of board 1999-2002



Name: **Zakel, David** (see Vice President Profile)

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**REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS**

**Board of Directors (BOD):** To be elected: 5 lay persons; 3 pastors; and 1 deacon (with at least 1 individual from each region)

Lay:	Clergy:	Deacon
James Frey (Central)	Rev. Arron Gust (Central)	Dcn. Amanda Hastings
David Patrick (Central)	Rev. Alex Klages (Central)	(Central)
Lois Griffin (East)	Rev. Aaron Astley (East)	Dcn. Lenora Simpson (East)
Darryll Holland (East)	Rev. Kurt Lantz (East)	
Reg Tiegs (East)	Rev. David Dressler (West)	
Delton Zehr (East)	Rev. Mark Hennig (West)	
d'Arcy Gamble (West)	Rev. Tom Kruesel (West)	
Doug Petersen (West)		
Shaun Visser (West)		

**Commission on Nominations and Elections (CNE):** To be elected: 4 rostered workers, at least 3 of whom shall be pastors and 1 may be a deacon; and 3 laypersons (each region is to be represented, if possible, by at least 1 member)

Lay:	Clergy:	Deacon:
Rod Johnson (Central)	Rev. Dr. Richard Beinert	Dcn. Amanda Hastings
Wendy Chant (East)	(Central)	(Central)
Rhonda Abando (West)	Rev. Aaron Gust (Central)	
Josh Bentley (West)	Rev. Alex Klages (Central)	
Karen Hildebrandt (West)	Rev. Glenn Worcester	
A. Elizabeth Schieman	(Central)	
(West)	Rev. Kurt Lantz (East)	
	Rev. Kurt Reinhardt (East)	
	Rev. Scott Brayall (West)	
	Rev. Phillip Washeim (West)	

**Commission on Theology and Church Relations (CTCR):** To be elected: 2 rostered workers serving congregations, at least 1 of whom must be a pastor or pastor emeriti; and 2 lay persons

Lay:	Clergy:
Mathew Block (Central)	Rev. Theodore Giese (Central)
Shane Kelly (East)	Rev. Jack Hetzel (East)
Daniel Smilek (East)	Rev. Joel Kuhl (East)
Archie Richardson (West)	Rev. Paul Williams (East)
	Rev. Mike Keith (West)

**Commission on Adjudication (COA):** To be elected: 2 rostered workers (the other members of the COA are 3 lay persons appointed by each regional pastor, at least 1 of whom must be a lawyer)

Rev. Aarron Gust (Central)  
 Rev. Murray Keith (Central)  
 Rev. Adrian Kramer (Central)  
 Rev. Dr. Kevin Fast (East)  
 Rev. John Rapp (East)

Rev. Paul Roggow (East)  
 Rev. Don Hennig (West)  
 Rev. Vincent Moore (West)  
 Rev. Darren Siegle (West)

**Commission on Constitution Matters and Structure (CCMS):** To be elected: 3 rostered workers, 1 of whom may be a deacon; and 3 laypersons, 1 of whom must be a lawyer

Lay:

Timothy Lach (lawyer) (Central)  
 Cam Pelzer (Central)  
 Valerie Edward (East)  
 Lois Griffin (East)  
 Delton Zehr (East)  
 Barbara Darrah (West)  
 Ronald Faulkner (West)

Clergy:

Rev. Theodore Giese (Central)  
 Rev. Aaron Gust (Central)  
 Rev. Alex Klages (Central)  
 Rev. Daryl Solie (Central)  
 Rev. Aaron Astley (East)  
 Rev. Joel Kuhl (East)  
 Rev. Ken Maher (East)  
 Rev. Kurt Reinhardt (East)  
 Rev. Jeffery Dul (West)  
 Rev. Brian Falkenholt (West)  
 Rev. Andrew McDonald (West)

**Regional Mission and Ministry Council (RMMC):** To be elected: 1 lay person from each circuit (the RMMC consists of a lay person and the circuit counsellor from each circuit in the region)

**Central Region**

James Frey (Assiniboine )  
 Gloria Rathgeber (Assiniboine )  
 Larry Durand (Northland )  
 Kirsten Guggenmos(Northland)  
 Howard Fiskar (Ontario )  
 Gelane Bahiru (Red River )  
 Denise Timm (Saskatoon )  
 Barb Schentag (Wascana )

**East Region**

Mark Rohfrietsch (Stratford )  
 Kim Kuhl (Hanover )  
 Anna Fierling (Kitchener )  
 Peter Dobias (Ottawa )  
 David Chant (Toronto )  
 Matthew Zvrlic (Windsor )  
 Scott Allan (Niagara )

**West Region**

Tiffany Playter (Stony Plain )  
 Josh Bentley (Edmonton )  
 Darla Hennig (Edmonton )  
 Rick Slater (Peace River )  
 Hope Mendes (Okanagan )  
 Michael Gillingham(Greater  
 Vancouver )  
 Braydan Pastucha (Greater  
 Vancouver)  
 Sonja Bland (Vancouver Island)  
 Charles von Hahn (Cariboo)

**Board of Regents (Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary, St. Catharines):** To be selected: 1 pastor; and 1 lay person from each region

Lay:

Jamie Muir (Central)  
Peter Dobias (East)  
Philip Prozenko (East)  
Daniel Smilek (East)  
Reg Tiegs (East)  
Ivan Boles (West)

Clergy:

Rev. Kai Buck (Central)  
Rev. Timothy Schneider (Central)  
Rev. Paul Williams (East)  
Rev. Jeffery Dul (West)  
Rev. Kenneth Eifert (West)  
Rev. Brian Falkenholt (West)

**Board of Regents (Concordia Lutheran Seminary, Edmonton):** To be selected: 1 pastor; and 1 lay person from each region

Lay:

Jamie Muir (Central)  
Sandra Timm (Central)  
Barry Walter (Central)  
Peter Dobias (East)

Clergy:

Rev. Clint Magnus (Central)  
Rev. Chris McLean (Central)  
Rev. Aaron Astley (East)  
Rev. Paul Williams (East)  
Rev. Kenneth Eifert (West)  
Rev. Mark Hennig (West)

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**CANDIDATE PROFILE**

Name: **Abando, Rhonda**  
Age: 40  
Congregation: Walnut Grove, Langley, BC, Langley, BC  
Region: West  
Occupation: Teacher  
Service: *Synod:* International Missions Committee 2017-2022, CNE 2022-2026;  
*Congregation:* Governance Board 2025, Young Adults Leader 2020-present



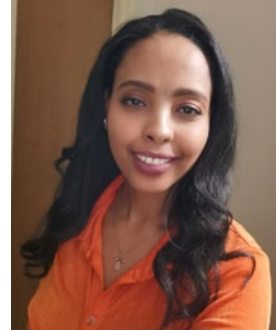
Name: **Allan, Scott**  
Age: 65  
Congregation: Grace Lutheran, St. Catharines, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: Retired  
Service: *Synod:* Lay rep. Niagara Region East RMMC;  
*Region:* Lay rep. Niagara Region;  
*Congregation:* Treasurer 2018 - present, Property Manager 2012 to 2108, Secretary 2008 to 2012



Name: **Astley, Aaron**  
Age: 36  
Congregation: St Luke Lutheran Church, Ottawa, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Synod:* CLS Board or Regents (Board Secretary and Policy Committee Chair) 2017-2022;  
*Congregation:* Pastor - St. Luke, Ottawa May 2023 to Present  
Pastor - Christ Our Saviour, Grimsby and Redeemer, Hamilton August 2015 to April 2023  
*Other:* Youth Soccer Coach 2019, 2021



Name: **Bahiru, Gelane**  
Age: 43  
Congregation: Shalom Oromo, winnipeg, MB, Winnipeg, Manitoba  
Region: Central  
Occupation: Health Care (Support Worker)  
Service: *Congregation:* Worship Leader Evangelism Leading prayer and different groups in the church;  
*Other:* President of Oromo Community of Winnipeg 2024-present



Name: **Beinert, Richard**  
Age: 56  
Congregation: Saint James Lutheran Church, Winnipeg, Manitoba  
Region: Central  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Synod:* Adjunct/Guest professor (Historical Theology) @ CLS, Edmonton (2003-2016, 2025-ongoing), PAT Mentor (Rev. Assefa Aredo & Rev. Oboya Ochalla) (2008-2019), PAT program committee (2008-2021), Guest Professor, Concordia Seminary Haiti (2025);



*Region:* Subbing in for our Circuit Counsellor (Red River Circuit) while he recovers from a major surgery (2025), Presenter for Red River Circuit Evangelism Workshop (since 2023), Professional Development topic presenter, Beautiful Savior Lutheran School (Winnipeg), 2023 & 2024, Co-Leader/Developer for Prayer Retreat (2019);

*Congregation:* Pastor;

*Other:* Clergy Representative on Manitoba Trauma Network (since 2014), LWMLC Zone Counselor (Okanagan) c. 1999-2005, LWMLC District Counselor (Central) c.2007-2021, LWMLC Pastoral Counselor (National) since 2021, Pastoral Counselor, Okanagan Camp & Retreat Center (1999-2005)

Name: **Bentley, Josh**  
Age: 20  
Congregation: Riverbend, Edmonton, AB, Edmonton, Alberta  
Region: West  
Occupation: Clinical Exercise Physiologist  
Service: *Congregation:* Volunteer youth leader 2020-present, Volunteer young adults coordinator 2023-present;  
*Other:* The Rock Kids Ministry 2024-present



Name: **Bland, Sonja**  
 Age: 55  
 Congregation: Bethany, Campbell River, BC, Campbell River, British Columbia  
 Region: West  
 Occupation: Mission Coordinator with BC Mission Boat Society  
 Service: *Synod:* LCC, West Region, Vancouver Island Circuit, RMMC member: 2019. Impact Youth Gathering committee member since 2019, BC Mission Boat Society Board member 2021 to 2024;



*Congregation:* Sunday School Teacher for 15yrs, Youth Ministry/youth leader since 2010, Alter Guild member, VBS organizer and volunteer, Plan to protect admin (2025);

*Other:* school board director, Air Cadet board chair, Air Cadet BC Representative for the Cariboo and Vancouver Island districts

Name: **Block, Mathew**  
 Age: 38  
 Congregation: Saint James Lutheran, Winnipeg, Manitoba  
 Region: Central  
 Occupation: Editor - The Canadian Lutheran; Communications Manager - International Lutheran Council  
 Service: *Synod:* Editor, The Canadian Lutheran (2011-current), Communications Manager, International Lutheran Council (2013-current), Secretary, Commission on Theology and Church Relations (2022-current), ILC Subcommittee on Fellowship, Communications Manager, LCC (2011-2017, plus interim service thereafter), Former synodical rep to International Lutheran Laymen's League, Former synodical rep to Lutheran Historical Institute, Editor of LCC Reformation Book, Saints of the Reformation;



*Region:* Breakout speaker at National Youth Gathering/Reach Out Canada Conference in Winnipeg (2013), History of the Reformation exhibit in Winnipeg (2017);

*Congregation:* Various service in several congregations over the years, including as: Elder, Sunday School Teacher, Chair of Board of Evangelism, etc.;

*Other:* WRITING: Numerous publications (eg, Lutheran Theological Review, First Things, LCMS Reporter, etc.), Swan River Foodbank, Guest speaker on Reformation History for MB Rural Christian Schools Conference (2018), Guest presenter on Reformation History at Swan River Christian School (multiple times), Executive Leadership of Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship (University of Regina, 2006-2010), etc.

Name: **Boles, Ivan**

Age:

Congregation: St Matthew, Stony plain, AB, Stony plain, Alberta

Region: West

Occupation: retired

Service: *Synod:* CLTS-Regents 2012 to 2017, Delegate to numerous Synod Conventions;

*Region:* Congregation and Circuit, Delegate to numerous District Conventions;

*Congregation:* Elder 2009-2015, Chairman and Vice Chair 1988 to 2004, Stewardship 1978 to 1984



Name: **Brayall, Scott**

Age: 30

Congregation: Mount Calvary Lutheran Church, Red Deer, Alberta

Region: West

Occupation: Pastor

Service: *Region:* Pastor at Faith Lutheran Church in Grande Prairie, AB for 6 years (July 2018-July 2024);

*Congregation:* Assistant Pastor at Mount Calvary Lutheran Church in Red Deer for 1 year (August 2024-Current)



Name: **Buck, Kai**

Age: 34

Congregation: Zion Lutheran, Yorkton, Saskatchewan

Region: Central

Occupation: Pastor

Service:



Name: **Chant, David**  
Age: 59  
Congregation: Christ Our King Lutheran Church, Mississauga, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: Policy Advisor/Economist  
Service: *Region:* Seminary Foundation Board 2016 to present, RMMC since inception to present, Masih ki Awaz Chair/Board Member (2010-2023);  
*Congregation:* Congregation Chair 2020-present, Evangelism Chair 2016-2020, Board of Youth Chair (2008 - 2016), Board of Stewardship (2000-2008);  
*Other:* Scout's Canada Volunteer (youth leader, food drive organizer) 2001-present



Name: **Chant, Wendy**  
Age: 58  
Congregation: Christ Our King Lutheran Church, Mississauga, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: self employed bookkeeper/accountant  
Service: *Congregation:* VBS Teacher, annually, 2010 – present, Treasurer, 2013 – 2017;  
*Other:* Treasurer, Mississauga Festival Choir, 2013 - present



Name: **Darrah, Barbara**  
Age: 66  
Congregation: Riverbend Lutheran Church, Edmonton, Alberta  
Region: West  
Occupation: Retired - finance and accounting  
Service: *Congregation:* 2020-2024 Member at Large



Name: **Dobias, Peter**  
Age: 50  
Congregation: St. Luke, Ottawa, ON, Ottawa, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: Government executive - defence science  
Service: *Synod:* BoR CLTS 2007-2008 (resigned early due to the deployment in Afghanistan and then with USCENTCOM), Convention delegate (East District, 2005), Convention delegate (Synod, 2018);  
*Congregation:* Elder - Redeemer, Langford, BC 2015-18, Elder - St. Luke, Ottawa, ON 2019-23;  
*Other:* RCSCC Lanark 2019-23, School Council NDCHS Carleton Place 2018-22, School Council NDCHS Carleton Place 2025-present



Name: **Dressler, David**  
Age: 60  
Congregation: Lutheran Church of The Good Shepherd, Calgary, Calgary, Alberta  
Region: West  
Occupation: Minister of Religion  
Service: *Region:* 2015-2017 Circuit Counselor - Lethbridge Circuit ABC, 2012-2015 2nd VP ABC, 2009-2012 3rd VP ABC;  
*Congregation:* 2015 - Present Volunteer Supervising Churchworker Lutheran Church of The Good Shepherd (Policy Governance), 2006-Present Pastor - Lutheran Church of The Good Shepherd, Calgary, 1995 - 2006 Pastor Grace Lutheran Church, Port Alberni, BC, 1991-1995 Pastor Redeemer Lutheran Church, The Pas, MB



Name: **Dul, Jeffery**  
Age: 50  
Congregation: Bethlehem, Bruderheim, AB, Bruderheim, AB  
Region: West  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Region:* Circuit Counsellor 2022-present;  
*Other:* Chaplain/Firefighter 2019-present, Alberta Critical Incident Peer Network 2023-present, LWML-C National Counsellor 2016-2022



Name: **Durand, Larry**  
Age: 53  
Congregation: St. John's Lutheran Church - Humboldt, Humboldt, Saskatchewan  
Region: Central  
Occupation: Self-employed Agronomist  
Service: *Region:* Currently serving on RMMC;



*Congregation:* Chair of Church Council since March of 2010;

*Other:* Feb. 2012 - Feb 2025: Treasurer, Independent Consulting Agronomists' Network, 2006-2018: Member, Skate Humboldt (President from 2010 to 2014), 1999-2010: Member, JCI Humboldt (President in 2002), 2002-2006: Director, Humboldt and District Chamber of Commerce (President in 2005), 2023-present: Director, Partners Family Services

Name: **Edward, Valerie**  
Age: 62  
Congregation: Prince of Peace, Burlington, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: lawyer, patent & trademark agent  
Service: *Congregation:* recording secretary 2021-present



Name: **Eifert, Kenneth**  
Age: 63  
Congregation: St. John's Wembley/Immanuel Goodfare, Wembley, Alberta  
Region: West  
Occupation: Clergy  
Service: *Synod:* Board of Regents CUCA 2009 - 2017;



*Region:* Peace River Circuit Counsellor 2002-2003;

*Congregation:* Pastor, St. John's Wembley, 2001-present

Name: **Falkenholt, Brian**  
Age: 56  
Congregation: Trinity, Richmond, BC, Richmond, BC  
Region: West  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Synod:* National Youth Gathering Committee 02-04, Synodical Vice-President 2011, Chair Resolutions Committee Convention 2022;



*Region:* Board of Outreach (Central) 2011-2013, Circuit Couselor (Cengtral) 2017-2022, Pastoral Advisor Camp Avrora (Central) 2019-2024;

*Congregation:* Christ Lutheran, Red Lake ON 1999-2011, First Lutheran, Kingsville, ON 2011-2013, Christ Lutheran, Thunder Bay, ON 2013-2024, Trinity Lutheran, Richmond, BC 2024-present;

*Other:* High School Soccer Coach 2001-2007, Pastoral Care Coordinator, Red Lake Hospital 2006-2010, Community Soccer Coach 2012-2013, Thunder Bay Youth Orchestra Board 2014-2019

Name: **Fast, Kevin**  
Age: 62  
Congregation: St. Paul's, Cobourg, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Synod:* BOA 2017-present;



*Region:* East District Second Vice president 2016;

*Congregation:* St. Paul's since 1993;

*Other:* Fire Chaplain

**Name:** **Faulkner, Ron**

**Age:** 77

**Congregation:** Christ Lutheran Church, Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta

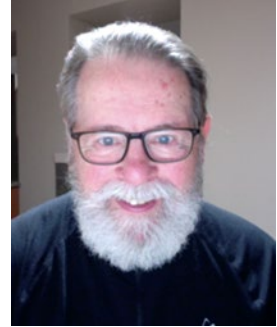
**Region:** West

**Occupation:** Retired

**Service:** *Synod:* CCMS member, present, 2017 Resolutions Committee, lay delegate: 2022, 2017, Vancouver and Edmonton delegate in the 90's, in the 80's;

*Congregation:* First (Lloydminster) council: Stewardship, Trustees, Treasurer, VP, President, Elder from 1980 to 2022, Christ (Ft Sask): Elder at present;

*Other:* 2022 condo board, Lloydminster 1980's/1990's: Recreation Board, Hockey and football coach, oil industry committees



**Name:** **Fierling, Anna**

**Age:** 65

**Congregation:** St. Paul's, Elmira, ON, Elmira, Ontario

**Region:** East

**Occupation:** Retired

**Service:** *Synod:* LCC- Canada 2019-current, LCC-Canada 2012-2019, LCC-Canada 2004-2012, LCC-Canada 1988-2004;

*Region:* East/Kitchener 2019-current, East/Hanover 2012-2019, East/Stratford 2004-2012; East/Kitchener 1988-2004

*Congregation:* St.Paul's 2019-current, Faith 2012-2019, St.Peter's 2004-2012, First St. Paul's 1988-2004;

*Other:* Elmira 2019-current, Desboro 2012-2019, Stratford 2004-2012, Wellesley 1988-2004



**Name:** **Fiskar, Howard**

**Age:** 60

**Congregation:** Redeemer Lutheran, Kakabeka Falls, Ontario

**Region:** Central

**Occupation:** Truckdriver/ Heavy Equipment Operator

**Service:** *Region:* preasently serving as a Lay rep on Central District RRM;C;

*Congregation:* Preasently Congregational Preasident, approximatly 10 years;

*Other:* involved with fundrasing, for local food bank and playing Country Gospel music, to senior citizens in various seniors homes



Name: **Frey, James**  
Age: 44  
Congregation: St. Matthew's, Roblin, Manitoba  
Region: Central  
Occupation: Agronomist  
Service: *Congregation:* Congregational treasurer (Nov 2025), Elder (Feb 2024), Congregational delegate to Convention (2022), Confirmed member (Aug 2021);




*Other:* Participant in French-language "Formation Théologique Diaconale" (Synode de France) (Jan 2022 - Nov 2023), Volunteer musician for fundraising events with Agricultural Society, Rodeo and food banks (2016 to present), Sunday school teacher, prior to LCC membership (2017-2022), Judge for elementary school science fairs (2016-2018), Boys' Club leader (2015), Volunteer agricultural development project officer in Northeast Asia with a Christian non-profit organization (2009-2010; 2012-2015)

Name: **Gamble, d'Arcy**  
Age: 71  
Congregation: King of Kings Lutheran Church, Dickson, Alberta  
Region: West  
Occupation: Retired Teacher  
Service: *Congregation:* Great Commission Fund Committee Member 2021-present, GriefShare Leader 2023-2025, Stephen Ministry Member since 2016, Group Supervision Facilitator 2020-2025, VBS Volunteer Teaching PreSchool - yearly - Christ Lutheran @ Craig and King of Kings @ Dickson Youth Leader for Craig Lutheran Church 1997-2006;



*Other:* SGSIS (Stephan G. Stephansson Icelanadic Society-Markerville) - have been Secretary (1998), (President, (2016-2018) Committee Member, (ongoing), Artist Residency Coordinator (2024-present)

Name:	<b>Giese, Theodore (Ted)</b>	
Age:	50	
Congregation:	Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Regina, Saskatchewan	
Region:	Central	
Occupation:	Pastor	
Service:	<p><i>Synod:</i> Synod Board of Directors (LCC) 2022 to present; Board of Directors (CLWR) 2016-2022; Board of Regents (CLS) 2011-2016; Lutheran Historical Institute Museum Committee (ABC District LCC) 2007-11, Lutheran Historical Institute Board of Directors (ABC District LCC) 2004-07, CLS Academic Liaison (ABC District LCC) 2004-07;</p> <p><i>Region:</i> Wascana Circuit Counsellor 2009-11 (Central District LCC);</p> <p><i>Congregation:</i> Vicar 2006-07, Associate Pastor 2007-16, Lead Pastor 2017-present;</p> <p><i>Other:</i> Writing for Canadian Lutheran (print and online) 2009-present, Film reviewer for Issues etc. radio programme 2013- present; Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary, St. Catharines teaching the Winter short term class (PRTH 7P51: A Lutheran Approach to Art, Media and Film) 2020 &amp; 2025, Lutherans in Africa - Lutheran School of Theology, Kenya teaching Fall short term class (MIN 121: Media and Art in Christian Theology and Worship; MIN 122: Introduction to Christian Worship Part I; MIN123: Christian Outreach Part I Evangelism, Discipleship &amp; Missions) 2023, LCMS U University Student Study Weekend guest presenter @ College Hill Lutheran Church in Cedar Falls Iowa 2019, Canadian Lutheran World Relief (CLWR) Global Encounter to Holy Land and Jordan LCC representative 2018, LCMS Southern Illinois District Spring Pastors Conference guest presenter 2015, Film reviewer for Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod (LCMS) Reporter (online) 2014-2018, Contributor to KFUE at St. Louis (MO) 2014-2016; Canadian Lutheran World Relief (CLWR) Global Encounter to Holy Land LCC representative 2014</p>	

Name: **Gillingham, Michael**  
 Age: 56  
 Congregation: Bethel Lutheran Church, Sherwood Park, Alberta  
 Region: West  
 Occupation: Missionary Deacon - LAMP  
 Service: *Synod:* Chair of the LC-C National Youth Gathering Committee - 2007 - 2010; 2010 – 2013, Member of the LC-C National Youth Gathering Committee - 1995 - 1998;



*Region:* Member of West Region Mission and Ministry Council - 2023 – present, Member of Alberta-British Columbia (ABC) District Board of Directors - 2009 – 2012, Member of ABC District Department of Parish and School Services - 2006 – 2012, Member of ABC District Department of Outreach 2003-2006, Member of ABC District Task Force on Vacation Bible School Curriculum - 2002 – 2004, Member of ABC District Task Force on Native Ministry - 2002 – 2003, Member of Board of Regents, Concordia University College of Alberta - 2000 - 2003;

*Congregation:* Director of Youth Ministry, Bethel Lutheran Church, Sherwood Park, 2004 – 2023, Director of Parish Services, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Rocky Mountain House, 1997 – 2004, Director of Parish Services, Hope Lutheran Church and School, Port Coquitlam, 1993 – 1997;

*Other:* Board member with Camp Kuriakos Board of Directors - 2019 – 2025, Volunteer Edmonton Chapter Coordinator with Nashville Songwriters Association International - 2016 – 2025, Volunteer with Edmonton Folk Music Festival - 2013 – present, Volunteer with The Rock (inner city ministry) - 2005 - 2013

Name: **Griffin, Lois**  
 Age: 83  
 Congregation: Our Saviour, Toronto, ON, Toronto, ON  
 Region: East  
 Occupation: Retired  
 Service: *Synod:* BOD 2022-2026, CLWR BOD 2014-2023, Worker Benefits, Board of Managers 2000-2012;



*Region:* East District BOD 2006-2025;

*Congregation:* Organist 1986-present, Treasurer June 2025-present, Food Bank Volunteer

*Other:* Municipal Politician 1972-1997

Name: **Guggenmoss, Kirsten**

Age: 49

Congregation: St. John's, Humboldt, SK, Humboldt, Saskatchewan

Region: Central

Occupation: Funeral director/Embalmer

Service: *Synod:* Board of Directors 2017-present;  
*Congregation:* Make bulletins 2025; Secretary 2019-2022; helped Sunday School 2019-2020; various jobs 2013-2022;  
*Other:* Make cards for PW wives 2021-present; Library Board 2019-2022; SeaCadit Parent Committee 2016-2019



Name: **Gust, Aaron**

Age: 55

Congregation: Grace, Regina, SK, Regina, SK

Region: Central

Occupation: Pastor

Service: *Synod:* Seminary task force - 201.;  
*Region:* Central District, Board of Directors, Wascana Circuit Counsellor;  
*Other:* Board of Directors and coach of Langenburg United soccer club



Name: **Hastings, Amanda**

Age: 40

Congregation: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Regina, Saskatchewan

Region: Central

Occupation: Director of Parish Services

Service: *Synod:* Board of Directors (Sept 2022-present), National Youth Gathering Committee (2013, 2016, 2025), Purpose and Priority Planning Committee (2022), Sabbath Church Workers Conference Planning Committee (2012-2014, 2021-2023), Ukraine Summer Mission (Summer 2005, Summer 2006);  
*Region:* Wascana Circuit Confirmation Retreat Planning (2011, 2012, 2013);  
*Congregation:* Director of Parish Services (August 2010-present)  
*Other:* Concordia Lutheran Seminary - Ministerial Program Committee (February 2022-present)



Name: **Hennig, Darla**  
Age: 51  
Congregation: Concordia Lutheran Church, Edmonton, Alberta  
Region: West  
Occupation: Business Manager  
Service: *Region:* Department of Finance/CEF/ABC Investments 2001 - Jan 2015;



*Congregation:* Treasurer 2012-present, Youth Organizer 2012-2019, VBS Coordinator/teacher 2010-2019, Fellowship Committee 2012-2018, Sunday School Teacher 2010-2019;

*Other:* Volunteer at Michael Strembitsky School 2012-2018, Youth Soccer Coach 2012-2015, Volunteer at Ellerslie School 2009-2012, Volunteer at Tomahawk School 2004-2009

Name: **Hennig, Don**  
Age: 50  
Congregation: Mount Calvary Lutheran Church, Red Deer, Alberta  
Region: West  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Region:* Wetaskiwin Circuit Counsellor Sept 2013 - May 2015, Doctrine and Practice Resolution Committee (East District) 2006;



*Congregation:* Senior Pastor September 2007 to present;

*Other:* Chaplain to Red Deer Emergency Services 2013 to present;

Name: **Hennig, Mark**  
Age: 51  
Congregation: Concordia Lutheran church, Edmonton, Alberta  
Region: West  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: Synod: BOD



Name: **Hetzel, Jack**  
Age: 63  
Congregation: St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran, Stratford, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: clergyman  
Service: *Synod: CTCR (1993 - 1999);  
Region: Toronto Circuit Counsellor, Portage Circuit Counsellor*



Name: **Hildebrandt, Karen**  
Age: 62  
Congregation: King of Kings, Edmonton, Alberta  
Region: West  
Occupation: Retired Library Technician  
Service: *Congregation: Grace Lutheran Church LWML Society  
President/Vice President 2012-2018;*



*Other: LWMLC Inc. VP Communication Sept 2022-present, LWMLC Inc. Online Services Coordinator June 2022-present, LWMLC ABC District Flashlight Newsletter Editor 2018-2024, LWMLC Inc. ABC District VP Communication June 2018 - June 2022, LWMLC Concordia Zone Secretary 2018-2024, Canadian Library Association Executive Committee Member at Large 2012-2015, Library Association of Alberta Board of Directors Past President, President, Vice President 2012-2017*

Name: **Holland, Darryll**  
Age: 72  
Congregation: Redeemer Lutheran Church, Waterloo, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: Retired  
Service: *Region: East District Business Manager 21 Years;  
Congregation: Sunday School Teacher (8yrs), Financial Secretary (6yrs), Elder (over 25yrs & current), Chairman (current);*



Name: **Johnson, Rodney**  
Age: 64  
Congregation: Calvary Lutheran, Thunder Bay, Ontario  
Region: Central  
Occupation: Retired  
Service: *Synod*: CNE 2019-2022, 2022-present;



*Congregation*: Head Elder, 2023 – present, Trustee 1985 – present, Church council, multiple times over last 44 years;

*Other*: President, Voices of Harmony Chorus, (Thunder Bay Barbershop Chorus] present, Member of Thunder Bay Barbershop Chorus, 1986 – present, College instructor, Confederation College, First Nations Introduction to Electrical Theory, 2018 Spring semester

Name: **Keith, Michael**  
Age: 50  
Congregation: St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Stony Plain, Alberta  
Region: West  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Synod*: Commission on Theology and Church Relations (2017 - present), Committee for Missions and Social Ministry (2006-2013);



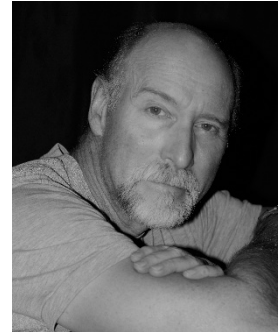
*Region*: Vice President Central District and Central District Secretary (2006-2012), Central District Committee for Mission and Congregational Services – Regina Region (2002-2006);

Name: **Keith, Murray**  
Age: 48  
Congregation: St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan  
Region: Central  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Synod*: Served on Commission on Constitution Matters and Structure (CCMS) (2018-2022); Currently serving on Commission on Adjudication (COA) (2022-current);



*Region*: Qu'Appelle Circuit - Circuit Counsellor (20012-2014);

Name: **Kelly, Shane**  
Age: 63  
Congregation: Grace Lutheran, Oshawa, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: IT Professional  
Service:



Name: **Klages, Alex**  
Age: 49  
Congregation: Trinity Lutheran Church, Winkler, Manitoba  
Region: Central  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Synod*: CCMS, 2022 to present, Secretary, Governance Committee, Board of Directors, 2022 to present, LCC Board of Directors, 2017-2022, LCC Communications Committee 2005-2011;



*Region*: Vice President, Winnipeg Region, Central District 2015-2017, Circuit Counsellor, Portage Circuit 2010-2015;

*Congregation*: Parish Pastor, Trinity/Zion Parish, Winkler/Morden Manitoba, July 2003 to present, Vicar, Redeemer Lutheran, Langford BC August 2001-July 2002, Sunday School Teacher, Christ our Hope, Collingwood ON, 1994-5;

*Other*: Actor, Flatlands Theatre and Candlewick Theatre community troupes; 2016 to 2025, Flatlands Theatre Company, Board of Directors, 2022-2024, Remembrance Day Services, Winkler; multiple years, On-call chaplain, Boundary Trails Health Centre, 2012-present Eden Foundation Lectures Committee, 2013-2019

Name: **Kramer, Adrian**  
Age: 52  
Congregation: St John Frobisher and St Peter Oxbow, Oxbow, Saskatchewan  
Region: Central  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Congregation*: Installed as pastor in December 2021



Name: **Kruesel, Tom**  
Age: 61  
Congregation: Bethany, Campbell River, British Columbia  
Region: West  
Occupation: Retired  
Service: *Synod*: Chairman, colloquy Committee 2011-Present Vice President  
Synod 2018-present 2nd Vice President 2011-2018 3rd Vice  
President Synod 2009-2011 Commission on Adjudication 1993-  
1996 LWMLC Pastoral Advisor;  
*Region*: District Dep. Of Evangelism 1991-1996, Circuit Counsellor;  
*Other*: Comox Valley Beekeepers Club Vice President 2017 – Present, Campbell River  
Amateur Radio Club Member 2013-Present, Birthright Pastoral Advisor 2002-2017, Glacier  
Heritage Power and Equipment Club 2010-2016, Simms Creek Stewardship Society Board  
Member 2001-2016, City of Campbell River Parks, Rec. and Culture Commission 2002-2004,  
God’s Children Board Chair, 1996-2002, Central Plans Community Network Board Member  
1998-2001



Name: **Kuhl, Joel**  
Age: 49  
Congregation: Redeemer Lutheran Church, Waterloo, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Synod*: CTCR elected 2014 to present, CTCR elected Chairman  
2018 to present, CTCR Dialogue Representative to Roman Catholic  
Dialogue 2018 – present, CTCR Dialogue Representative to  
Anglican Church in N.America with LCMS participation 2018 – present, teaching a continuing  
education class behalf of LCC in Nicaragua in November 2023;  
*Region*: Circuit Counselor (Ottawa Circuit) 2006-2012, Department for Outreach (Secretary)  
2013-2018, served on Communication Committee, Nominations Committee (dates unknown);  
*Other*: Kitchen-Waterloo Clergy Curling Executive 2018-2021, teaching a seminary class in  
November 2025



Name: **Kuhl, Kim**  
Age: 66  
Congregation: Faith, Desboro, ON, Desboro, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: Automotive Technician Retired  
Service: *Synod*: Circuit Delegate Hanover 1999, 2002, 2005;  
*Region*: Dep. Outreach, BOD East District 1999



Name: **Lach, Timothy**  
Age: 55  
Congregation: Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Winnipeg, Manitoba  
Region: Central  
Occupation: Lawyer  
Service: *Synod*: CCMS;  
*Congregation*: Elder;



*Other*: Presenter/Lecturer in Legal Community (especially civil litigation, employment and labour law and wills and estates). Council member at Gloria Dei Lutheran, Committee for Mission Manitoba Northwestern Synod and ELCIC Examining Committee and Court of Appeal. Hockey/baseball assistant coach

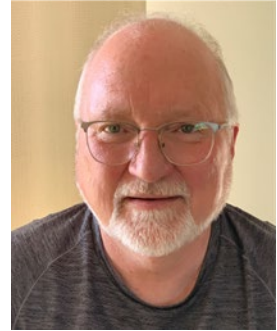
Name: **Lantz, Kurt**  
Age: 56  
Congregation: Resurrection Lutheran Church, St. Catharines, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: Parish Pastor  
Service: *Synod*: Commission on Nominations and Elections 2022-2026,  
Guest Instructor, CLTS St. Catharines 2023-2024; 2025-2026;



*Region*: LWML-C Zone Pastoral Advisor, East District Department for Parish Services 2000-2006, East District Student Assistance Committee, East District Youth Committee, East District Worship Committee 1998-2006, East Region Mission and Ministry Council 2015-2022 Niagara Circuit Counsellor 2015-2023;

*Other*: Brock University Chaplain 2009-2026, Spiritual Care Committee, Kincardine Hospital and Trillium Court Nursing Home

Name: **Magnus, Clint**  
Age: 59  
Congregation: St. John's, Humboldt, Saskatchewan  
Region: Central  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service:



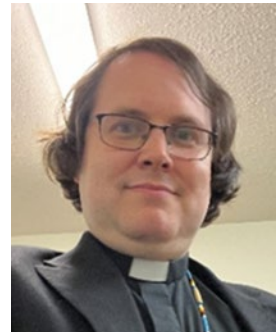
Name: **Maher, Kenneth**  
Age: 55  
Congregation: Christ Our Hope, Collingwood, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Synod:* Pastoral advisor to Lutherans For Life Canada (2018-2021),  
Pastoral Advisor to Lutheran Women's Missionary League Canada  
(2009-2015);



*Region:* Circuit Counsellor, Hanover Circuit (2022 - Present), Circuit Counsellor, Northlands  
Circuit (2005-2008), Pastoral Advisor to LWML-C Central District (2000-2004), Chairman of  
Central District Constitution Committee (1999-2002);

*Other:* Volunteer with the Collingwood Museum (2015 to present), Volunteer with the Beinn  
Gorm Highlanders (2015 to present)

Name: **McDonald, Andrew**  
Age: 36  
Congregation: Lord of Life / Shepherd of the Valley, Kamloops / Salmon Arm,  
BC, Kamloops / Salmon Arm, British Columbia  
Region: West  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Region:* Circuit Counsellor (Okanagan) December 2023-present;  
*Congregation:* Lord of Life July 2018-present, Lord of Life /  
Shepherd of the Valley March 2025-present



Name: **McLean, Christopher**  
Age: 45  
Congregation: North East Lutheran Parish SK, Nipawin, Saskatchewan  
Region: Central  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Synod:* Reconciliation Committee - Central Region / Convention 2022 - Present;  
*Congregation:* Pastor of North East Lutheran Parish 2022 – Present,  
Pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Dawson Creek 2019 - 2022



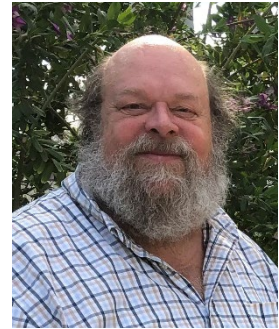
Name: **Mendes, Hope**  
Age: 64  
Congregation: Grace, Asoyoos, BC, Asoyoos, British Columbia  
Region: West  
Occupation: Therapist/Social Worker  
Service: *Synod:* Youth Convention and events across Canada 1999-2007;  
*Region:* Mission for LCC 1993-2004, Okanagan Camp, Events (Westbank), Other event organization for above 1990-2004 - fitness, planning, Bible Studies, kitchen work, etc.;  
*Congregation:* Choir 1983-present, Chimes Choir 2021-present, LWML 1983-2010, Youth director 1999-2007, Music Leader (church&VBS) 1990-2005, Sunday School Teacher 1983-1989;  
*Other:* Workshops regarding mental health for Okanagan Communities (sponsored by 2021-2025 Summerland Baptist Church)



Name: **Moore, Vincent**  
Age: 40  
Congregation: Christ Lutheran Church, Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta  
Region: West  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Synod:* CNE 2016-2017;  
*Region:* Elk Island Circuit Counselor 2016-2022;  
*Other:* CAF Reserve Chaplain 2022-present;



Name: **Muir, Jamie**  
 Age: 65  
 Congregation: St. James, Winnipeg, MB, Winnipeg, Manitoba  
 Region: Central  
 Occupation: Professor of Philosophy  
 Service:



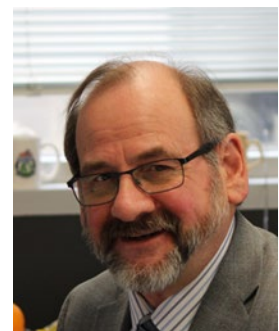
Name: **Pastucha, Braydan**  
 Age: 29  
 Congregation: Trinity Lutheran Church, Richmond, British Columbia  
 Region: West  
 Occupation: Teacher  
 Service: *Congregation:* Vice President, 2025-ongoing; Youth Bible Study Teacher 2015-2023; Musician/Organist 2015-2024;  
*Other:* LAMP Team Lead - 2024-ongoing



Name: **Patrick, David**  
 Age: 46  
 Congregation: Beautiful Savior, Winnipeg, MB, Winnipeg, Manitoba  
 Region: Central  
 Occupation: Chartered Professional Accountant  
 Service: *Synod:* Finance Committee Chair Last Couple Years;  
*Congregation:* Elder Last Several Years, Council President, Treasurer;  
*Other:* Charity Board Member Since 2020



Name: **Pelzer, Cam**  
 Age: 66  
 Congregation: Mount Olive, Regina, SK, Regina, Saskatchewan  
 Region: Central  
 Occupation: Retired Bureaucrat  
 Service: *Synod:* CCMS 2022-date, Bd of Directors 2011-2022;  
*Region:* Central District Missions 2007-2010;  
*Congregation:* Elder 2015-date, Chairman 1983-87, 1998-2000;



Name: **Petersen, Douglas**  
Age: 72  
Congregation: Trinity Lutheran, Quesnel, British Columbia  
Region: West  
Occupation: Retired  
Service: *Synod*: BOD Member 2020-June 2025, BOD Board Chair June 2025-Present;



*Congregation*: Elder, 2024-Present, Quesnel BC, Elder, 2019-2023, Kitimat BC, Council President - 2012-2018, Fort McMurray, Alta. Council President, 1990-2010, Kitimat, Council President, 1986-1988, Quesnel, Council VP, 1985-1986, Quesnel;

*Other*: President Soccer Field Development Committee- 1997-2001 (Project 4 soccer pitches)

Name: **Playter, Tiffany**  
Age: 41  
Congregation: St. John's (Parkland Country), Beach Corner, AB, Parkland Country, Alberta  
Region: West  
Occupation: Geologist  
Service: *Synod*: RMMC since inception;



*Congregation*: St. John's church council (can't remember when I started ... many years ago), youth counselor since 2002, Sunday school teacher off and on over the years (recently since 2024)

Name: **Prozenko, Philip**  
Age: 57  
Congregation: St Andrew's, Halifax, NS, Halifax, Nova Scotia  
Region: East  
Occupation: Business Owner - Industrial Designer  
Service: *Synod*: CLTS BOD September 2022;



*Congregation*: Chairman May 2025, Financial Secretary April 2021, Chairman (St. Andrews) March 2013, Chairman (Faith Lutheran) January 2000

Name: **Rapp, John**  
Age: 49  
Congregation: Messiah, Waterloo, ON, Waterloo, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Synod*: Board of Adjudication (2022-present);



Name: **Rathgeber, Gloria**  
Age: 75  
Congregation: Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Yorkton, Saskatchewan  
Region: Central  
Occupation: Retired  
Service: *Synod*: BOD from 2003 (unsure of year) to 2018 for Central Region;



*Region*: RMMC 2018 to present for Central Region;

*Congregation*: Church Council secretary 2003 to present; LWML secretary 2003 to present; Funeral lunch coordinator 2008 to present;

*Other*: Organizer for retired teachers local curling bonspiel since 2004; Co-chair for retired teachers provincial curling bonspiel in 2016 and 2022; Part of the Production team for the Lake Town Players Dinner Theatre in Saltcoats since 2004; Red Cross volunteer from 2006 to 2020

Name: **Reinhardt, Kurt**  
Age: 53  
Congregation: Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Gowanstown, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Synod*: IMC - Chair; BoD, BoR- CLTS;  
*Region*: Circuit Counsellor



Name: **Richardson, Archie**  
Age: 64  
Congregation: Immanuel Lutheran Evangelical Church, Rocky Mountain House, Alberta  
Region: West  
Occupation: Machinist/Mechanic  
Service: *Synod:* CTCR; 2022-2026;  
*Congregation:* Elder; 2010 – present, Congregation Chairman; 2011-2022;  
*Other:* Fire Department; firefighter, Training officer, Captain, Deputy Chief, Fire Chief; 1982-2012



Name: **Roggow, Paul**  
Age: 49  
Congregation: Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, Kitchener, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Synod:* Commission on Adjudication, 2022-Present, Visiting Theology Teacher, Chinandega, Nicaragua, February 2025, International Mission Support, Costa Rica, January 2024 and February 2025;  
*Region:* BC Pastors and Deacons Conference Organizing Committee, 2019-2023;  
*Congregation:* Associate Pastor, Holy Cross, Kitchener, ON, March 2023-Present, Pastor, Trinity, Duncan, BC, August 2015-February, 2023, ABC District Missionary, Metro Vancouver, BC, March, 2012-August, 2015, Rocky Mountain District Missionary, Denver, Colorado, June, 2008-March, 2012, Associate Pastor/Mission Developer, Our Savior, Cabot, Arkansas, August 2006-June 2008;  
*Other:* Rotary Club Member, Cabot, Arkansas, August, 2006-June, 2008, Cowichan FC Soccer Coach, Duncan, BC, September, 2019-February, 2023



Name: **Rohfrietsch, Mark**

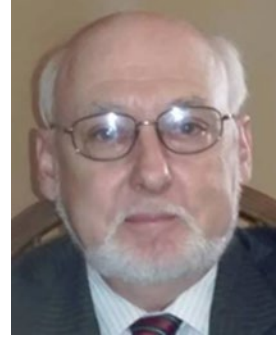
Age: 65

Congregation: St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Stratford, Ontario

Region: East

Occupation: Process Engineer, Aisin Canada

Service: *Synod:* Lay Delegate at last convention in Edmonton;  
*Region:* Stratford District Lay Delegate to the East Region RMMC;  
*Congregation:* Sacristan 2019-present, Elder/Lay Deacon 2015-present, Elder, St. Matthews Lutheran Church Stratford for about 6 or 8 years until it disbanded. Elder, 1st. St. John's Ellice Twp. 1985-1992, Cemetery Committee one year, Chairman of Cemetery Committee through to 1976-1992;  
*Other:* Green Team at Aisin Canada (under Health, Safety and Environmental Committee) Certified Range Safety Officer and Club Level Safety Instructor, Past Secretary and Director of Milverton Rod and Gun 2010-2018;



Name: **Schentag, Barb**

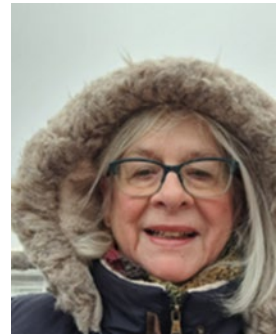
Age: 69

Congregation: Mount Olive, Regina, SK, Regina, Saskatchewan

Region: Central

Occupation: Retired Insurance Underwriter

Service: *Region:* RMMC - since its recent inception in 2018/2019;  
*Congregation:* Church Properties Chair 2024, SS, Confirmation, Stewardship, Evangelism, Music Ministry over past 40 years at NALC



Name: **Schieman, A Elizabeth**

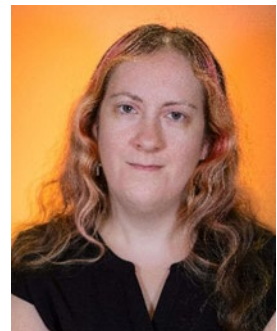
Age: 39

Congregation: Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Edmonton, Alberta

Region: West

Occupation:

Service: *Synod:* CNE (2023-present)



Name: **Schneider, Tim**  
Age: 40  
Congregation: Holy Trinity Lutheran & Hope Lutheran, Inglis / Grandview, Manitoba  
Region: Central  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Synod*: BC Mission Boat Society Jan 2025-Present;  
*Region*: Jackfish Lutheran Bible Camp Board Pastoral Advisor April 2023-Present, LWMLC Windsor Zone Pastoral Advisor Sept 2020-Nov 2022



Name: **Siegle, Darren**  
Age: 59  
Congregation: Grace/St. Paul, Osoyoos, BC, Osoyoos, British Columbia  
Region: West  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Synod*: Board of Adjudication 2022-2026;  
*Region*: 3-rd V.P. of District 2015-2018; Circuit Counselor 2005-2010 - Stony Plain, Circuit Counselor 2014 - Okanagan;  
*Congregation*: Inglis/Grandview, MB 1992-1997; Grand Cache, AB 1997-1999; Mellowdale/Vega, AB 1999-2010; Osoyoos/Oliver, BC 2011-2026



Name: **Simpson, Lenora**  
Age: 37  
Congregation: Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church of Kitchener, Kitchener, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: Director Of Parish Services  
Service: *Region*: Circuit Youth Coordinator, 2022-2025;  
*Other*: BC Mission Boat Society, 2020-2025



Name: **Slater, Rick**  
Age: 64  
Congregation: Faith Lutheran Church, Grande Prairie, Alberta  
Region: West  
Occupation: Self employed/Grain Farmer  
Service: *Region:* RMMC



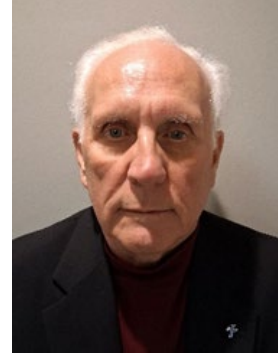
Name: **Smilek, Daniel**  
Age: 51  
Congregation: Grace, Kitchener, ON, Kitchener, ON  
Region: East  
Occupation: Professor of Cognitive Neuroscience  
Service: *Congregation:* Elder



Name: **Solie, Daryl**  
Age: 68  
Congregation: Prince of Peace, Regina, Saskatchewan  
Region: Central  
Occupation: Pastor, Emeritus  
Service: *Synod:* LCC Council of Presidents and Board of Directors (2005-2011); Concordia Luther Seminary Board of Regents (2011-2022);  
*Region:* Central District/Region Board of Directors; Jackfish Lutheran Camp Board;  
*Congregation:* Pastor, Trinity Lutheran, Churchbridge (1986-2006); Pastor, Prince of Peace, Regina (2006-2022);  
*Other:* High School Support Counsellor, Churchbridge, Sk, (1988-1994, Pastoral Care Committee, Saltcoats Care Home, Saltcoats, Sk.



Name: **Tiegs, Reg**  
 Age: 74  
 Congregation: Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church (Oshawa), Oshawa, Ontario  
 Region: East  
 Occupation: Retired - Insurance - Finance  
 Service: *Synod:* Numerous Nomination Committees and other Committees;  
*Region:* East District BofD 1995 to 2025 -Chainman & Secretary;  
*Congregation:* Chairman & Elder;  
*Other:* Parttime instructor in contract law at Centennial College



Name: **Timm, Denise**  
 Age: 64  
 Congregation: St. Paul's, Saskatoon, SK, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan  
 Region: Central  
 Occupation: Farmer-selfemployed  
 Service: *Congregation:* LWML - 2023 to present, Board of Education (2 periods) 1980-now, Sunday School (3 periods) 1978-2022, Church Choir (wherever available) 1978-now;  
*Other:* Blaine Lake School Parents Association 2006-2012, Blaine Lake Community Association 2010-2015;



Name: **Timm, Sandy (Sandra)**  
 Age: 67  
 Congregation: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Regina, Saskatchewan  
 Region: Central  
 Occupation: Retired Lutheran and Homeschool Teacher; PT Bookkeeper  
 Service: *Congregation:* Bible Study leader 1991 – present, Sunday School Coordinator 1991 – present, VBS Coordinator 1991 – present;  
*Other:* Bookkeeper: LLL-C 2022 - present and SPLA 2024 – present, Sask Pro-Life Board Director 2015 - 2024



Name: **Visser, Shaun**  
Age: 54  
Congregation: St Matthew Lutheran Church, Stony Plain, Stony Plain, Alberta  
Region: West  
Occupation: Architect  
Service: *Congregation:* Board of Elders 2025- current, Constitution review Committee 2023 – 2024, School board 2019 – 2025, Board of Elders 2008 – 2019, School Development committee 2014 – 2015, School Board 2002 – 2008;  
*Other:* Past President A4LE (AB) 2025-current, President A4LE Board (AB) 2024-2025, President Elect A4LE (AB) 2023-2024, Member at Large A4LE (AB) 2018-2023 (A4LE - Association for Learning Environments)



Name: **von Hahn, Charles**  
Age: 73  
Congregation: Trinity Lutheran Church, Quesnel, British Columbia  
Region: West  
Occupation: Retired  
Service: *Region:* Member of West RMMC as Cariboo Circuit lay representative; currently serving;  
*Congregation:* Treasurer since 2010; Elder since 1998;  
*Other:* Food bank volunteer 2018-2021;



Name: **Walter, Barry**  
Age: 68  
Congregation: St. Pauls Evangelical Lutheran Church, Saskatoon, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan  
Region: Central  
Occupation: Retired/Formerly Corporate Chief Financial Officer  
Service: *Congregation:* Chair, Board of Lay Ministry, 2006 to present, Treasurer, 1981 to 1991;  
*Other:* Director, Chair of Audit Committee, Sandbox Mutual Insurance Company, 2021 to present, Vice Chair, Chair Audit Committee, Saskatchewan Catholic Health Corporation, 2020 to present, Director, Treasurer, Chair of Audit Committee, President, Past President, Riverside Country Club, 2020 to present



Name: **Washeim, Phillip**  
Age: 54  
Congregation: Redeemer, Langford, British Columbia  
Region: West  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Synod:* CNE - 2022 to 2026, Commission on Adjudication - 2004 to 2010, Committee for Communication and Technology - 2003 to 2006;  
*Region:* ABC Mission and Outreach Committee - 2007 to 2010, ABC Board of Directors - 2007 to 2010, LWMLC Circuit Counselor - 2004 to 2005;  
*Congregation:* Redeemer Lutheran Church, Victoria, BC 2002 to Present;  
*Other:* Brigade Chaplain 39 CBG - 2025 to Present, Senior Primary Reserve Chaplain RCAF - 2022 to 2025, Unit Chaplin 5 Field Artillery - 2015 to 2022, Board of Directors for LBTC - 2016 to 2018



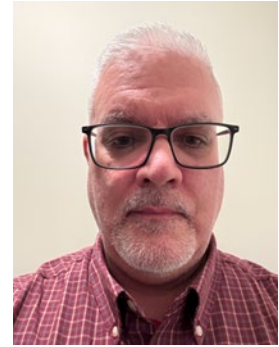
Name: **Williams, Paul**  
Age: 63  
Congregation: Grace Lutheran, Pembroke,, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Synod:* Pastoral Advisor, Lutherans for Life- Canada, 2024-present; CTCR, 2019-2022;  
*Region:* RMMC sub-committee; 2024-present;  
*Congregation:* Pastor, Grace, Locksley, Pembroke, 2014-present; St. Luke's, Eganville, 2019-present; Zion, Augsburg, 2019-present;  
*Other:* Pembroke Hospital Ethics Committee, 2017-present; Pembroke Ministerial Association, 2015-present; Board of PARASOL (Pembroke and Region Association Sanctity of life), 2024-present



Name: **Worcester, Glenn**  
Age: 43  
Congregation: Peace, Winnipeg, MB, Winnipeg, Manitoba  
Region: Central  
Occupation: Pastor  
Service: *Synod:* LCC National Youth Gathering 2012-present;  
*Region:* IMPACT Youth Gathering 2016-present;  
*Other:* Basketball, Baseball, Soccer Coach 2021-present



Name: **Zehr, Delton**  
Age: 52  
Congregation: Redeemer, Waterloo, ON, Waterloo, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: Manager of Roads Operations, City of Cambridge  
Service: *Synod*: CCMS East Region 2022-present; LCC Convention Delegate June 2022; Nat'l Young Adult Conference Committee 1998-2000;



*Region*: East District Convention Delegate 2006-08; East District Convention Delegate 1997-99; East District, Board of Parish Services 1997-1999; East District Young Adults, Rep, VP, President 1992-98;

*Congregation*: Chairman/President 2010-2012, 2019-2023; Elder 2018, 2024; Council Secretary 2017-2018; ESL Outreach 2013-2018;

*Other*: Elmira Maple Syrup Volunteer 2022-2025; Minor Hockey Coach 2014-15; Minor Baseball Coach 2013-2015; Retired Hockey Referee, Minor, Jr, Sr 1984-1999

Name: **Zvric, Matthew**  
Age: 31  
Congregation: First, Windsor, ON, Windsor, Ontario  
Region: East  
Occupation: Rehabilitation Therapist  
Service: *Congregation*: Board of Elders, Jan. 2025 - current

