

2024 RMS Nominations

Row 49

Nominee	Pastor Garrett Struessel
Lay/Roster	Pastor
Position Nominated for:	
Occupation	Pastor
Home Congregation	First Ev. Lutheran Church
Membership	7+ years
Sense of God's call	Called through our baptism, our lives are lived as a response to the grace of God. God's generosity is reflected in the mission of the church, and God's people. I believe much can be gained by managing expectations for the Rocky Mountain Synod and focusing on fewer core Mission objectives. I have gained experience in congregational ministry and hope those experiences can support the mission of the synod council and the office of the bishop.
Skills/Experiences	I was ordained almost 24 years ago and have led and served on congregation councils in times of abundance and great anxiety. I have worked to guide and train Congregation Councils on policy, governance, and spiritual guidance. I have served on the Synod Campus Ministry Board, the Board of New Beginnings, and as a conference dean. I have always believed in the importance of relationships as the cornerstone of ministry and have been active in conference gatherings. I have studied and applied Bowen Family Systems Theory in each congregation I have served and I believe it is vital to understanding the current church dynamics that contribute to disillusionment and heartache. In short, I love the church and hope this combination of experience and openness can help us discern God's calling for the Rocky Mountain Synod.
Service Activity 1	Campus Ministry Board, during the early to mid-2000s.
Service Activity 2	New Beginnings Congregation Board member, during the mid-2000s.
Service Activity 3	Conference Dean, South-Metro Conference approximately 2005-2007.

Committee

Position

Nominated for:

Council Position

Nominated for:

At-Large Rostered Leader

2025 Churchwide
