Name: Andraine Sinaga

Lay/Rostered: Lay

Nominated for: Synod Council

Category if Applicable: Ethnic Specific

Occupation: Student
Conference: Metro East

Home Congregation:St. Marks, Aurora, CO **Member how long:**17 Years (my whole life)



List three current or past congregational or synodical service activities. List the activity and dates started and ended:

Activity 1:

Church Council Youth Representative 2021-Present

Activity 2:

Fundraising for OHANA Youth 2015 - Present

Activity 3:

Lector, acolyte (assisting with worship) 2013 - Present

Briefly describe your sense of God's call into mission and service in the Synod through this office:

As a member of the Asian and youth community, it is within my ability to provide a new, unique, and important perspective. Through working in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, I would be able to give more attention to those who have fallen through the cracks of the Lutheran church or religion as a whole. These people are often the marginalized like youth, people of color, and women.

Describe your skills and experiences that would be an asset to this office:

I have been in many positions of leadership within the church or school. I have worked in community with a range of ages and backgrounds while also ensuring that everyone is heard. Being part of the OHANA youth group, a community that is ecumenical and multicultural, has given me the opportunity to learn about people and the stories that they hold. By being open to people, more specifically the youth, and listening to them, I am able to see how God worked through them or even how God is reaching for their attention. I am also the youth representative of my church council. I willingly provide youth perspective and would love to do so on a larger scale. I am still working with my peers and doing advocacy work on my own within my school community.