

Candidate Form – TX-LA Gulf Coast Synod

Churchwide Assembly Voting Member

Voting Member to 2013 Churchwide Assembly Form

9 open positions, for lay and clergy (please circle one):

Note: two positions, Clergy Male and Laity Male, are automatically filled by the Bishop (Mike Rinehart) and Synod Council Vice President (Evan Moilan).

Female Laity (2 positions)

Male Laity (1 position)

Male Clergy (1 position)

Female Clergy (1 position)

Person of Color (or whose first language is not English), Laity, Female or Male (1 position)

Female Youth or Young Adult (ages 18-30 years – 1 position)

Deadline to submit nomination – March 1, 2012

Skills/Abilities/Gifts: The following skills, abilities, and/or gifts are required for a person to effectively serve as a delegate to Churchwide Assembly:

- Gifts of discernment, patience, and listening
- Gift to be open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit
- Ability and willingness to pray regularly for the ministry and congregations of the synod
- Prior active service in your congregation, and at the Synod level
- Familiarity with the challenges facing the larger church
- Ability and willingness to attend and participate in the Assembly
- Voting member of a congregation of the synod
- Gift of working with the other council members to be a group that envisions and assesses the ministry of the synod
- Ability to use critical evaluation skills to evaluate the outcomes of our synod.

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Email Address _____

Congregation _____

Congregation City and State _____

Demographic information, please circle all that apply.

(This information is needed so the synod may send a representative voting member group to the Churchwide Assembly, based on the representation principles provided by Churchwide.)

Male Female Lay Ordained

Racial/Ethnic Background _____

Primary Language Other than English _____

Age Range (please circle one) 15-25 36-45 46-55 56-65 66 and older

Current Occupation _____

Please list the spiritual gifts you possess that would make you an effective delegate to the Churchwide Assembly, and state why you feel called to serve in this position:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Do you have a committed view about any of the issues to be considered at the 2013 Churchwide Assembly? If so, please share your views in one paragraph below:

Are you open to the possibility that the Holy Spirit could lead you to change your view, if it is already formed, on any of the issues facing the Churchwide Assembly?

Name of person submitting this candidate:

Address

E-mail

Phone

Email to: mandy@gulfcoastsynod.org (email is the preferred submission method, if possible)

Mail to: **Mandy Faucett**
Attn: Synod Assembly Nominations
12941 I-45 North Freeway, Suite 210

Houston, TX 77060

Or Fax to 281-875-4716

Deadline for Submission: March 1, 2012

Please note: This nomination is a nomination to the Nominating Committee (not the Synod Assembly). According to our constitution and bylaws, the Nominating Committee is responsible for preparing a slate of “at least one qualified candidate for each position available” which will be presented to the Synod Assembly. “Qualification will be based on a comparison of stated required or preferred skills, abilities, gifts, and experience with those possessed by the candidate(s).” (Both quotations are taken from section S9.03.A03 of the synod constitution.) Qualifications for each position are listed on the candidate form for each position. Submitting this nomination form is very much appreciated by the Nominating Committee but does not guarantee a position on the slate presented by the Nominating Committee. Additional nominations may be made from the floor of the Synod Assembly.