

Synod Vice President

Constitutional Requirements & Job Description

- S8.21.[R]** The vice president shall be elected by the Synod Assembly. The vice president shall be a lay person. The vice-president shall be a voting member of a congregation of this synod. The vice president shall not receive a salary for the performance of the duties of the office.
- S8.22.** The vice president shall chair the Synod Council.
- S9.05.** The Nominating Committee shall nominate at least two persons for vice president. Additional nominations may be made from the floor.

Job Description: As chairperson of the synod council and executive committee, the vice president is expected to be present at all meetings and to report the actions of the Synod Council to the Synod Assembly. Additional work is required on some Ministry Boards, Task Forces and Committees. The vice president must be a lay person, either male or female. Term of office is three years with one re-election.

Qualifications: The vice president will need a vision of the mission of the church, a record of leadership in his/her local congregation, and a commitment to Christ expressed in the stewardship of one's gifts. They must be able to share openly in the decisions concerning the policies and mission of the church, and be ready to assist the bishop of the synod in working with the agencies, institutions, conferences, and congregations in implementing the work of the synod.

Additional Information:

The Synod Vice President serves as the principal lay leader of the synod.

The Synod VP is responsible for Synod Council meeting preparation and management as outlined by the Synod constitution. In addition, the Synod VP co-chairs the annual Synod Assembly and may be asked to attend and co-lead presentations during the Spring and Fall Conference Assemblies

The Synod VP serves with the Bishop in planning for and addressing issues related to synod operations, human resources, annual budgeting, financial reviews, policy creation, and strategic planning.

The present synod VP also chairs several synod-based committees as an extension of this designated role and meets with the Synod Bishop weekly.

The Synod VP has the support and aid of the Synod Executive Committee.

Of particular significance for the Vice President-elect will be the partnership that is developed with the Bishop-elect, both entering to serve to the Lord in their offices at the same time.