

## **Proposed Constitution and Bylaws for the NC Synod:**

At the 2022 Churchwide Assembly, the ELCA adopted a model constitution and bylaws for all synods. As is required of all ELCA congregations, each synod is required to bring its governing documents in to conformity with the ELCA model. As such, the Legal Committee presents a proposed constitution to Synod Council for its consideration and subsequent approval to recommend its adoption by the NC Synod in its assembly in 2023.

In addition to the required sections and some “clean-up changes, the Legal Committee offers a few changes to this document:

1. S10.03.01 a: The Executive Committee of the Synod Council shall consist of the officers of the synod and the chairs of the Finance and Property Committee, Legal Committee and Mission and Ministry Committees.
2. S10.03.A23 g: Personnel

### Rationale:

1. Since the size of the Synod Council was modified several years ago to better reflect the size of the synod, this has created the need for a change in the size of the Executive Committee to better reflect the relative size of the Council.
2. The Personnel Committee is now a standing committee of the Synod Council, based on action at a previous meeting of the Council.