



## Committee/Team/Task Force Recommendation Form

The Upper Susquehanna Synod has several committees, teams, and task forces established by the synod assembly or synod council. The charges for these groups are listed below. In accordance with ELCA policy, our synod strives to have our committees represent the diversity of our region in geography, age, gender, race, and ethnicity. And, we seek to have a balance of 40% rostered leaders to 60% non-rostered. The constitution of our synod states that the bishop appoints members of committees with approval from the synod council. Committee members serve terms of three years and may be reappointed once. This allows for more members of our synod to experience and lead the ministry we share. Please use the attached form (one for each nominee) to submit a recommendation to serve on one of our committees. Completed forms can be sent as an attachment to [info@uss-elca.org](mailto:info@uss-elca.org).

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**Strategy Implementation Team:** Develops goals, programs and procedures for implementation of the Mission Strategy adopted by the Synod Council on February 16, 2019. Reviews structure of synod and recommends changes that will support the Strategy.

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**Mission Support:** Develop and recommend a strategy for funding of the Mission of the synod, including goals, programs and procedures to carry out the strategy. Encourage stewardship growth in congregations of the synod.

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**Susquehanna Interfaith Disaster Response Network Task Force:** a committee with the Presbytery of Northumberland for the purpose of organizing an interfaith disaster response network that focuses on local preparedness and resilience of congregations in the synod and presbytery territories and develops sources of volunteers to assist in local, national and international disaster recovery.

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**Fiscal Management Team:** advises the synod treasurer on oversight of the financial operations of the synod; receives reports from the synod treasurer; prepares the annual synod budget; advises the synod council on fiscal policy.

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**Constitution Committee:** reviews and approves amendments to congregation constitutions, bylaws and continuing resolutions; reviews the Constitution, Bylaws and Continuing Resolutions of the Upper Susquehanna Synod and recommends amendments to the synod council; reviews and recommends policies to synod council.

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**Leadership Development:** Reviews guidelines for compensation of rostered leaders in the synod and recommends changes for adoption by synod assembly. Recommends and reviews policies of the synod for the personnel handbook.

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### **Other Committees/Teams**

- Assembly Planning Team
- Audit Committee
- Advocacy (hunger, policy, racism, poverty)
- Global Mission (Liberia, Ansbach-Würtzburg)

**I'd like to recommend someone for a synod committee!**

My Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (include first name, middle initial, last name)

My Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

My Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ My Email: \_\_\_\_\_

My Congregation: \_\_\_\_\_ (include name and town)

I'm a member of \_\_\_\_\_ Synod Council \_\_\_\_\_ Conference Dean \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Here is who I would like to recommend:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (include first name, middle initial, last name)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation: \_\_\_\_\_ (include name and town)

Age Bracket: \_\_\_\_\_ 18 & under \_\_\_\_\_ 19-29 \_\_\_\_\_ 30-39 \_\_\_\_\_ 40-49 \_\_\_\_\_ 50-59 \_\_\_\_\_ 60+

Ethnic Background: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Position/Employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Church Leadership Positions (3 maximum):

Community Leadership Positions (3 maximum):

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Has this person served on a committee before?

\_\_\_\_\_ No

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes (when? \_\_\_\_\_ and Name of committee/Task Force/Team: \_\_\_\_\_)

Why are your recommending this person? What gifts do you recognize in this person?

I affirm I have spoken with this candidate and believe they are well-suited to serve in this capacity if appointed by the bishop.

Your Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Affirmation by Person Recommended:** I understand the requirements of the serving on this committee/Task Force/Team and intend to serve if appointed by the bishop.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Submit form to: Upper Susquehanna Synod, PO Box 36, Lewisburg, PA 17837  
or info@uss-ecla.org**