



September 30, 2021

Congregations of the Rocky Mountain District, LCMS

Greetings in the name of Christ our Savior.

The postponed convention of the Rocky Mountain District is scheduled for June 9-10, 2022. Our Bylaws require that congregations have submitted names for the election of the District President, 1st Vice President, and Area Vice Presidents by February 9, 2022. As mentioned in previous correspondence, we will honor the nominations that were submitted for the 2021 Convention as well as the delegates from the congregations.

Certainly, much has changed in the past year for many of the congregations and circuits, and those nominated for various positions or submitted as delegates may no longer be interested in serving or eligible to serve. If your congregation or circuit would like to change either the people they nominate, or the delegates that you send to conventions you may do so. If the congregation wants to keep their current nominations and delegates, no additional action is needed. But, if the congregation wants to change their nominations, please visit the Rocky Mountain District website and download the various nomination forms, and/or the delegate forms, and submit them to Rev. Don Widger, District Secretary, Redeemer Lutheran Church, 2221 N. Wahsatch Ave, Colorado Springs, CO, 80907 or pastorwidger@gmail.com.

Nominations for District Secretary, Board of Directors, and District Nominating Committee should be submitted to Rev. Eli Leitzau at pastor@wrlutheran.org.

In addition, as your congregation makes preparations for the upcoming Convention please be mindful that Overtures for the Convention need to be submitted to the District Office no later than Feb. 9, 2022.

The RMD Board of Directors will be revisiting the convention assessment at its November meeting. The assessment will be communicated to the congregations shortly after the meeting.

District President and Vice-Presidents

Each congregation of the District is entitled to nominate:

- One ordained minister of the Synod as a candidate for District President
- One ordained minister of the District for the office of First Vice President. No consideration need to be given to the geographic area of the nominee for this office.
- One ordained minister of the District as a candidate for Area Vice President. This candidate must be from the nominating congregation's geographic area of the District.
- It is strongly suggested that these nominations be made by a properly called Voters' Meeting, so that the members of your congregation will have a say in the Lord's work outside of your congregation.
- Each nomination form must be signed by the President and Secretary of the voting congregation.
- Ballots are to be received by the District Secretary no later than February 9, 2022.

Please note, due to term limitations the following people are not eligible to be elected to the following offices: Rev. Gary Piepkorn- 1st Vice President, Rev. Gary Rahe- Area Vice President, Rev. Dave Fischer- Area Vice President.

Circuit Visitor

The Circuit Visitor shall hold his position by virtue of his selection by the circuit forum and ratification by the District Convention.

- Circuit forums shall meet at the call of their circuit visitors to select their circuit visitors no later than February 9, 2022. Circuits may meet virtually in a manner that is suitable and made available to all participants.
- Prior to the day of the circuit forum, nomination for candidates for the office of circuit visitor may be submitted by a voting congregation of the circuit. Consent to serve forms and biographical information should be included with nominations sent by congregations to the circuit forum.

- The selection of the Circuit Visitor must be completed by February 9, 2022 and submitted to the District Secretary for ratification at the District Convention.

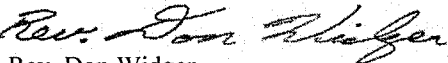
District Secretary, Board of Directors, District Nominating Committee,
(Please see the attached forms for more details)


The District Nominating Committee is responsible for nominating candidates for these positions. The Nominating Committee is directed by the Bylaws to “circularize the congregations of the District... requesting suggestions for candidate vacancies... “Therefore:

- Suggestions may be submitted by individuals, Voters’ meeting, Church Council, or Boards.
- All suggestions will be given consideration by the Nominating Committee.
- Please publicize this process and provide means for congregation members to offer suggestions. The enclosed suggestion form may be duplicated, but it is not required.
- Suggestions are to be received by the Nominating Committee no later than February 9, 2022.

If you have questions about these matters, please contact the undersigned or the District Office. Thank you for participating in this important work of our Rocky Mountain District. Please approach these matters with prayers for the well-being of the Lord’s church among us.

In Christ’s service,


Rev. Don Widger
Secretary,
Rocky Mountain District, LCMS


Rev. Eli Lietzau
Nominating Committee Chairman
Rocky Mountain District, LCMS