



Pastoral Candidate Nomination Form

This form is to provide uniform information about individual pastors, which congregation call committees can submit to the synod office for consideration. Nominations for candidates to fill a particular pastorate may come from any of three sources:

1. Pastors may express interest in a congregation (or another pastor may suggest someone for consideration).
2. The synod office may present pastors for congregational deliberation.
3. A congregation's members may identify a pastor(s) they feel might meet their needs.

Several factors may need to be considered before a pastor will be ultimately presented to the call committee. Among these:

1. If not on the clergy roster of the Southwestern Minnesota Synod, the bishop of the synod where the pastor is rostered may not give permission to contact the pastor. (Inappropriate timing in light of personal or contextual needs or pastoral or personal issues may preclude contact at the present time.)
2. Pastors may not wish to have their names go forward. The timing may not be right to consider a change in call in light of personal and pastoral needs. This is a decision everyone needs to respect!
3. In light of the congregational needs and the particular pastor's gifts, the synod office may decide it is inappropriate to recommend the pastor to the congregation.

Please realize all contacts need to be made through the synod office.

Your name _____

Telephone number _____

Congregational call committee recommendation:

Does the committee endorse this nomination (circle one) YES NO

Why or why not?

Signed by call committee chair: _____

Congregation name/city: _____



Pastor's name: _____

Mailing address: _____

Telephone number: _____

Pastor's current congregation and address (if known):

1. How do you see this pastor's gifts, leadership skills, and abilities helpful to furthering your congregation's mission and ministry?

2. How do you know this pastor?

3. Why might this pastor want to consider your congregation for their next call?

4. Other comments: