

The Candidacy Committee meets monthly (currently on the 4th Thursday of the month, during the day, usually at the Synod Office with a Zoom option), and the pre-work requirements are to read documents, essays, and forms as provided by the chair to the committee in preparation of seeing candidates.

Candidacy committee memberships includes:

- Lay folx
- Rostered deacons
- Rostered pastors

Diversity of membership inclusive of BIPOC, LGBTQIA+ folx, ages, and areas of expertise within the limits of the NWWA Synod and number of people on the committee.

Would appreciate a Spanish speaker

Ideally new members would attend the Candidacy Committee retreat June 21-23, 2023 in Sedro-Woolley

See information on the Candidacy Process here: <https://lutheransnw.org/resources/candidacy>

Requirements:

- Commitment to ongoing antiracism and anti-privilege work and awareness of power dynamics required
- Ability to maintain confidentiality
- Practiced in spiritual/vocational discernment
- Skills for healthy accompaniment of others
- Listening skills
- Encouraging and supporting leadership within the church and/or society
- A heart for the future of the church
- An ability to see the bridge between current reality and future needs of the church
- Experience or awareness of consensus decision making: balancing the values of teamwork as well as naming personal truth for the benefit of collective discernment
- Relationship to Jesus Christ and the Trinity through the lens of Lutheran spirituality, and thus membership in an ELCA congregation within the Northwest Washington Synod

If you are interested in serving, please send to Pastor Jana Schofield, pastorjana@gmail.com, by June 15, 2023:

Short bio

What gifts could you offer to the candidacy process?

Why do you want to serve?