## **How Does One Become a Synod Commissioner?**

- In the first quarter of the year, each presbytery stated clerk receives a list of people whose term as a synod commissioner or permanent judicial commission member will expire at the end of the calendar year.
- The presbytery stated clerk notifies the presbytery nominating committee of the impending vacancies.
- At some point in the year, the presbytery nominating committee
  makes their report to the presbytery which then votes to elect
  synod commissioners and members of the synod permanent judicial commission.
- Newly elected synod commissioners are invited to attend the annual synod assembly meeting as observers.
- New terms begin on the first of January.
- In January or February new commissioners are invited to participate in an orientation to policy governance and their roles as governors and liaisons. This orientation is in addition to written/digital materials available on the synod website.
- Later in the year, commissioners will attend their regional gatherings.

