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Dear Friends -

In anticipation of Synod Convention, and preparing for the possible contingency of my re-election as bishop, in February and March I invited four strong clergy candidates to consider the possibility of serving as assistant to the bishop. After careful discernment processes, as well as an interview process, I selected one of the four to consider this position. The candidate responded strongly in the affirmative. The Synod Council, meeting Sunday June 6th, voted unanimously to extend a call to special service - assistant to the bishop, to the Rev. Dr. Larry Kochendorfer (Ascension - Edmonton). This call will be accepted by Larry in short order. Larry was introduced as the assistant to the bishop at the closing Eucharist of the Synod Convention and was greeted with applause and a standing ovation. Larry will assume his duties on 1 August, 2010 and will be installed in September at a date and time yet to be set. The installation service will take place at Ascension, Edmonton.

In the meantime, please keep Larry, Cathy and their family - together with the congregation of Ascension - in your prayers as they move through this transition. So also, the Synod staff as we prepare to receive our new partner in ministry. Soli Deo Gloria!

Blessings!

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