



GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS
Exploring God's Work Among Us

22nd Annual Synod Assembly
Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod, ELCA
June 5-6, 2009
Sovereign Performing Arts Center, Reading, Pa.

2009 Synod Assembly Program

Friday, June 5, 2009

- 9:00 AM Registration Opens; Displays open
9:30 - 10:30 AM Forums, Session One
10:45 - 11:45 AM Forums, Session Two
11:45 - 1:00 PM Lunch at Trinity or on your own
1:00 Order for the Opening of an Assembly

1:15 - 4:30 PM Plenary Session One

- Adoption of the Program
- Report of the Nominating Committee
- Reports of the Officers
 - Report of the Bishop
 - Report of the Vice President and Synod Council
 - Report of the Secretary
 - Report of the Treasurer
- Introduction of the Committee of Reference and Counsel
- Remarks by Nominees for Vice President
- Synod Visioning Process

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- Address by the ELCA representative, the Rev. Gregory Villalon, Director, Multicultural Leadership Development
- Recognition of Rostered Leaders Celebrating Major Anniversaries
- Ministry Team Report
- Closing/dinner prayer
- Dinner at the Sovereign Performing Arts Center, Trinity, or on your own

7:00 9:00 PM Plenary Session Two

- First Ballot
- Report from the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia
- Ministry Team Report
- Sexuality Study: overview; information from Reference and Counsel on any resolutions; discussions as Quasi Committee of the Whole
- Closing announcements
- Installation of deans and synod staff; Holden Evening Prayer

Saturday, June 6, 2009

8:30 - 10:30AM Plenary Session Three

Opening Prayer, Campus Ministry
Synod Visioning Process
Report of First Ballot; second ballot if needed
Ministry Team Report
First Report of the Committee of Reference and Counsel
Synod Visioning Process
Announcements

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10:45 Worship with Eucharist
12:00 Lunch (Trinity, Sovereign Performing Arts Center, or on your own)

1:30 - 4:00 PM Plenary Session Four

Opening Prayer
Report of Second Ballot for Elections
Report from the Compensation Guidelines Task Force
Action on 2010 Compensation Guidelines
Adoption of 2010 Program Proposal
Ministry Team Report
Introduction of SALMs, Candidates for the roster; Rostered individuals new to the synod and who retired since the 2008 assembly
Final Report of the Committee of Reference and Counsel
All Other Reports
Unfinished Business
Report of the Committee of Minutes
Report of the Committee of Registration and Excuse
Order for the Closing of an Assembly