

NORTHERN GREAT LAKES SYNOD Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Marquette, Michigan

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E-Notes for July 17, 2017

The Season of Pentecost

QUOTE OF THE DAY

A prayer for Congregational Ministries:

Almighty God, your Holy Spirit equips the church with a rich variety of gifts. Grant that we may use them to bear witness to Christ in lives that are built on faith and love.

Make us ready to live the gospel and eager to do your will, so that we may share with all your church in the joys of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

~ Evangelical Lutheran Book of Worship

Reminder!

Registrations for Mackinac Island must be received in the Synod Office by August 7th.

All single or married Clergy and Licensed Lay Ministers, and spouses are invited to participate in this retreat from September 24-26, 2017 at Mission Point Resort on Mackinac Island.

Go to <u>www.nglsynod.org</u> for more information and the registration form.

Bishop's Transition Team News



You are Invited

to the Installation Service of
Bishop-Elect Pastor Katherine Finegan
on Saturday, October 21 at 1:30 p.m.
at St. Peter Cathedral
Marquette, Michigan
With Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton
Reception to follow at the Holiday Inn,
Marquette from 3:00 - 5:30 p.m. ET





Installation Choir

You are invited to sing with an adhoc choir that will enrich the Installation Worship Service of Bishop-elect Pastor Katherine Finegan on October 21 at 1:30 p.m.

However, there are some things you need to know before you sign up:

- Because of the needs of sound and musicians, the choir will sing from the balcony of St. Peter Cathedral.
- There are 30 narrow and winding steps spiraling up to the balcony.
- There is a small chair lift which can transport one person at a time.
- The nearest bathroom facility is either up more stairs or back down the 30 stairs.
- There will be a final choir rehearsal on Saturday, October 21, at 10 a.m. ET a St. Peter Cathedral in Marquette.

If you are still interested in being a part of this choir and willing to brave the balcony steps, please call the Synod Office at 906-228-2300 and sign up. We will send the music to you and try to schedule at least one rehearsal near you. Please sign up by September 15th.

Retired Clergy and Spouse Luncheon



Tuesday, August 1 at 11:00 a.m. (CT) St. Stephen's Lutheran, Stephenson, MI



Come for a time of fellowship and good food!

Please RSVP to the Synod Office by Wednesday, July 26 by calling 906-228-2300 or emailing louise@nglsynod.org.



Women's Fall Retreat at Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp September 15-17, 2017

Theme "A Godly Touch"

"I want men/women everywhere to lift up holy hands in prayer, without anger or disputing." 1 Timothy 2:8

Engaging Workshops

Singing

Praise & Worship

Great Fellowship

Food & Fun

Crafts

15 minute Massage (cost \$10)

Duplex housing \$125.00

Lodge housing \$140.00

Cost includes: Meals, Saturday

night ice cream social,

workshop materials,

and Coffee Café.

~**To register**, please call Pam at 906-428-2442 or 906-280-2918. Forms are available on the following website: https://www.nglsnod.org/welca/



Plan for the Future! Leave a Legacy!

Don't miss this great opportunity to meet with our **Regional Endowment Planner, Tim Knutson**.

Come learn something about Estate Planning, getting your financial affairs in order, and creating a legacy that will benefit your family, your church, and the work of Christ long after you are gone.

Tuesday, October 10, 2017 at Pioneer Lake, Conover

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. CT Supper included!

Thursday, October 12, 2017 at Calvary, Rapid River

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. ET Supper included!

This event is FREE, however, registration is required.

Please reserve your spot by calling the Synod Office at 906-

228-2300 by the end of the day on Thursday, October 5th. (Pastors/LLM's are invited to join Tim for lunch on :

Tuesday, October 10 at 12 Noon at Tula's in Rhinelander or

Thursday, October 12 at 12 Noon at Family Inn in Escanaba.

Please call the Synod Office by October 5 to reserve your lunch.)

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR MARKED!

Sunday, February 18, from 4-7pm at Gloria Dei, Hancock

Sunday, February 25, from 4-7pm at First, Gladstone

This is a wonderful event for your Confirmation Youth. This year, congregations are invited to collect items for Backpack Programs throughout our Synod that help to feed hungry students over the weekends.

Check out more info at www.nglsynod.org





ALTAR GUILD WORKSHOP

Saturday, September 30 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Bethany Lutheran, Ishpeming Featuring Rev. Melinda Quivik

Cost: \$20 which includes program, lunch and snacks

Register by Monday, September 25 More information at www.nglsynod.org

Sponsored by the Synod Worship Committee

Don't miss it!!
Bring your whole Altar Guild!!
Ecumenical!!

Learn the finer details and best practices!!



Pre-Retirement Seminar Are you 50 years old or over?

While many adults over the age of 50 are thinking about retirement, everyone approaches this important stage in life differently. Some spend a lot of time in the planning stage, while others start planning with just months to spare. No matter where you are in the process, Portico's day long **Pre-Retirement Seminar** can help. The good news is we're coming soon to your area!

Together with our partner, Ernst & Young, we cover all phases of retirement planning in simple, understandable terms - from establishing a retirement budget, to discussing investment strategies, to reviewing health care options. We leave plenty of time to address your retirement questions. This small investment in time and money may be beneficial, not just for pre-retirement planning, but for peace of mind. You'll breathe easier knowing what you need to do now to help ensure a confident retirement when the time is right for you. Take advantage of this opportunity and join us! We look forward to seeing you there.

DATE: Friday, November 10, 2017

LOCATION: Saint Andrew Lutheran Church

3200 N. Mountain Road, Wausau, WI 54401

TIME: Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. seminar runs from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Register today and to see other seminar locations and dates, go to the following website:

https://myportico.porticobenefits.org/NewsEvents/Events/Pre--RetirementSeminars





National Youth Gathering – Houston June 27 – July 1, 2018

Make plans to attend with your youth, or contact Lisa Bouche at lisabouche92@gmail.com if you have one or two youth who need a church to go with.

Check out the information and links available at www.elca.org/gathering

Or go to Facebook and check out the group: ELCA Gathering 2018 - HOUSTON!! (NGLS)



The Always Being Made New Campaign in the Northern Great Lakes Synod

YOU ARE INVITED TO CONTRIBUTE FUNDS TO THE 2017 CAMPAIGN TO BE SPLIT EQUALLY BETWEEN:

- 1. Grants given to congregations to begin or nurture a companic congregation relationship with another congregation from our Luther Companion Synod in the Eastern and Coastal Diocese of Tanzania.
- 2. The Churchwide portion will go to equip missionaries from Tanzan to Tanzania and beyond; and the Synod portion will go to nurture or beg companion congregation relationships between NGLS congregations at ELCT congregations.

Let us join together to do God's work on a scale and scope that we could never do within our individual congregations.

LIFTING UP TO GOD IN PRAYER

- +We pray for Pastor Keith Kolstad and his family at the death of his mother. God comfort all who mourn.
- +We pray for the safe return of the NGLS Dental Mission group. God bless their efforts to make a difference in Jesus' name.
- +We pray for those impacted by drought/flash floods, famine and wildfires. God give strength to emergency workers and those who seek to bring relief.

Check out www.prayfaithfully.org
for weekly "Breath Prayer"
and Daily Devotions.
The synod website is www.nglsynod.org

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Pastor Katherine Finegan Bishop-Elect

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