



Northern Great Lakes Synod

Pulpit Supply

Updated August 14, 2025

Guidelines for Congregations Requesting Pulpit Supply

1. It is suggested that either before or during the worship service, a council member or worship assistant introduce the visiting worship leader.
2. Hospitality in the form of fellowship and/or meals is most appreciated. Guest worship leaders enjoy becoming a part of a church family, if only for a day.
3. An honorarium of \$125 for one service and \$35 for each additional service is suggested. (Example: If the same person does one on Saturday evening and two on Sunday) an honorarium of \$195 is suggested.
4. As of January 1, 2024, mileage reimbursement is at the IRS rate.
5. Please pay worship leaders on the day of the worship service(s).

Please Note: Lay Preachers are not authorized to preside at Holy Communion unless authorization is received in advance from the bishop.

To request authorization, email kfinegan@nglsynod.org with the name of the lay person, church/town, date(s) needed, and reason for request. The authorization will be sent by email.

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