

#### NORTHERN GREAT LAKES SYNOD

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Marquette, Michigan

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E-Notes for March 16, 2018

#### The Season of Lent

#### **QUOTE OF THE DAY**

"Unless the Church can learn to identify itself with Christ in His death and resurrection, unless it can, on Palm Sunday, approach His victory through death, die with Him on Good Friday and rise with Him at the culmination of the Paschal Vigil, it cannot accomplish its mission, which is not only to proclaim the good news but to embody it and to make it the pattern of its corporate life, even as Christ Himself not only proclaimed the Gospel but was and is the Gospel."

~Manual on the Liturgy, p.310



### **Synod Assembly Choir to Form Soon!**

Directed by Dave Dagenais, the Synod Assembly choir may include anyone from anywhere in the Northern Great Lakes Synod.

Rehearsals will be the previous two Saturdays at 10:30am on May 5th (site TBD), May 12th at Messiah, and May 17th before the Opening Worship at Messiah.

You need not be a registered voting member to sing in the choir.

The choir will sing one anthem and lead worship singing for the Synod Assembly Opening Worship on Thursday, May 17th at 6:30pm.



### **Attention Pastors and Licensed Lay Ministers!!!**

A Pastor Band is once again forming to lead the closing Synod Assembly worship on Saturday, May 19th at 8:30am. Dust off your guitar, warm up your vocals, soak that clarinet reed and consider joining this small group of fearless musicians and

singers. Please send an email to <a href="mailto:lcwickst@gmail.com">lcwickst@gmail.com</a> if you're interested.

### **Colors** of the Day for Synod Assembly

Clergy and Licensed Lay Ministers are invited to vest (in room 202 at Messiah, Marquette) and process at the Opening Worship of Synod Assembly.

The color of the day is white.

ALL are invited to wear something red to the closing worship of Synod Assembly on May 19th at NMU as Pastor Jim Duehring is officially installed as the Assistant to the Bishop of the Northern Great Lakes Synod.

# Attention Council Presidents & Pastors!!

Scroll down to the Healthy Congregations Info and make a plan to attend one of the evening events with your Council!



# Nominations for Churchwide Voters Needed

Would you like an all expenses paid trip to ......Milwaukee?!? The Churchwide

Assembly will convene in Milwaukee in August of 2019 and we are privileged to send 7 voting members to participate with others from all over the country.

If you would like to nominate yourself or someone

else for this honor, please go to

https://www.nglsynod.org/assembly/

and fill out the nomination form. We will vote on our attendees at this year's Synod Assembly May 17-19, 2018 at Messiah and NMU.





# Big Bear Award and Bread Basket Award Nominations Form

Click this link to get the Nomination Form for the Big Bear Award and the Bread Basket Award: <a href="https://www.nglsynod.org/assembly/">https://www.nglsynod.org/assembly/</a>

# Reports for the Pre-Assembly Report are due today!!

All Committees and Task Force Chairs, Conferences Presidents, Partners in Ministry, and Synod Officers reports are due today.

Please contact Louise (louise@nglsynod.org) to let her know when you will be getting your report in if it will not be this afternoon.

### **Report to Bishop Forms**

If you did not make the February 28 deadline,

please submit your report now. The bishop thanks you for your efforts.

Please download the form, save it, then complete it and send it to the Synod Office. If you do not save it first, there will be problems sending it later.

# Here are the links: Report for Minister of Word and Sacrament Under Call from a Congregation:

http://download.elca.org/ELCA%20Resource%20Repository/Report\_For\_Minister\_ of Word\_and\_Sacrament\_Under\_Call\_From\_A\_Congregation.pdf? \_ga=2.198811631.1319008733.1514926053-1291334846.1490982565

### Report for Minister of Word and Sacrament Under Call from Synod Council:

http://download.elca.org/ELCA%20Resource%20Repository/Report For Minister of Word and Sacrament From Synod Council Church Council Under Call.pdf ? ga=2.225055322.1319008733.1514926053-1291334846.1490982565

#### Report for Minister of Word and Sacrament Retired:

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of Word and Sacrament Retired.pdf?

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#### Report for Minister of Word and Sacrament Not Under Call:

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of Word and Sacrament Not Under Call.pdf?

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### Report for Minister of Word and Service Under Call from a Congregation:

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### Report for Minister of Word and Service Under Call from Synod Council:

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#### Report for Minister of Word and Service Retired:

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#### Report for Minister of Word and Service Not Under Call:

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# Parochial Reports (Forms A and C) are Due!

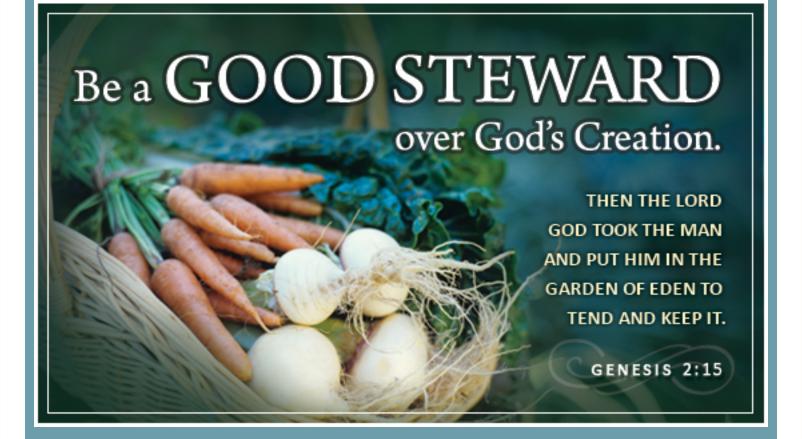
If you cannot find the report which was mailed to your congregation by ELCA, click this link to access it:

https://webapps.elca.org/FormAAndC? ga=2.257497859.963632048.1517425083-1291334846.1490982565.

Contact Louise or Betsy at the Synod Office for your ELCA congregation ID# and password.

# All reports should be submitted by March 31, 2018.

Thank you to those congregations that have submitted their reports!



## **Stewardship Verse**



# NGLS 2018 World Hunger Fund Raising Campaign

Quilt Squares for World Hunger - The Synod World Hunger Committee has a creative idea for raising awareness and money for world hunger needs. Each congregation was sent a packet of fabric tiles with instructions about creating a "Hunger Quilt" that will be displayed at Synod Assembly in May. If you have any questions or need more fabric tiles for your congregation, please contact Jackie Lehto at 906/779-5852 or jslethois@gmail.com. Have fun with this creative andworthy project!

#### Go to the Facebook link to learn more:

https://www.facebook.com/NorthernGreatLakesSynod/photos/gm.53288570376 0688/1754400427930488/?type=3

# Here are additional and important instructional notes about the quilt-making project:

- Additional fabric mosaic tiles are available by contacting Jackie. Each congregation is color coded so please do not use another congregation's tiles to finish yours!
- Please use ALEENE's TACKY GLUE to glue the mosaics to the base rather than a glue stick, unless the glue stick is particularly designed for adhering fabric to fabric. The pieces should be securely glued, especially the edges so that they don't come up during the sewing and quilting process. Some types of glue sticks may not work well on fabric and the fabric comes unglued quickly this would be very bad. While the quilt will be heavily quilted once it is sewn together, the mosaics need to stay in place during the entire sewing process. Aleen's Tacky Glue is available at Walmart and most craft sores. The square should be covered completely with neat rows of fabric tiles, except for the area with the name of the church and city/state.



Stewardship Resources: Go to

www.elca.org/stewardship for an abundance of resources. If pastors or congregations have questions about how to do stewardship in your congregation, contact Assistant to the Bishop, Pastor Jim Duehring, at 906-228-2300, jduehring@nglsynod.org. Pastor Jim would be glad to offer assistance.

### Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp Needs a Nurse!

A nurse is needed for Victory Camp at Fortune Lake from June 11-15 and August 5-9, 2018.

The nursing duties include assisting with adults with

disabilities for this time period (20-25 people max.); there will be one counselor per three residents; performing intake on the campers; and dispensing medications.

A cabin will be provided for the nurse.

If interested or have more questions, please contact Fortune Lake Camp at 906/214-2267.



The Campaign for the ELCA.

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

Monetary donations for this 2017 campaign will be accepted through February 28, 2018.

# Thanks to all who donated in 2017 toward this campaign.

\$5959.65 will go to support Tanzanian Missionaries and

\$5959.65 will go to support Companion work in our Synod

**2018 "Always Being Made New" Campaign:** The focus will be on the ELCA "Fund for Leaders" and Northern Great Lakes "Synod Campus Ministry"

efforts. Stay tuned for more information on this next phase of the campaign which begins March 1, 2018.

# Clergy Spouse Conference

**April 13-15, 2018** 

All clergy spouses are welcome and invited to join ELCA Clergy Spouses from Wisconsin and Upper Michigan for a weekend at the Country Inn & Suites in Iron Mountain, Michigan!

The registration form is on the Synod's website (www.nglsynod.org).

Mail the registration form and check payable to NGLS to: Stefanie Ehle, 1710 24th Avenue, Menominee, MI 49858.

Deadline is March 23, 2018!

Program leaders will be:
Jennifer Prinz from Portico Benefits Services
and

Bishop Katherine Finegan of the Northern Great Lakes
Synod

Click this link to access the registration form on the Synod Website: https://jwwmedia.s3.amazonaws.com/ngls/pdf2018/2018ClergySpouseRegistration onForm.pdf

Healthy Congregations Workshops for Congregational Leaders and

#### **Boundaries Training for Clergy & LLM's**

#### Presented by Rev. Ramie Bakken

#### **Workshops Schedule**

**April 22 (Sun) Healthy Congregations Workshop** 

All Saints, Wakefield 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

**April 23 (Mon) Healthy Congregations Workshop** 

Bethany, Ishpeming 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

**April 24 (Tues) Boundaries Workshop for Clergy and LLMs** 

Prince of Peace, Harvey 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

**April 25 (Wed) Healthy Congregations Workshop** 

Immanuel, Escanaba 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

**April 26 (Thur) Boundaries Workshop for Clergy and LLMs** 

Porterfield, Porterfield

9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Healthy Congregations Workshops are free!

Boundaries Workshops for Clergy & LLM's include lunch. Lunch Fee is \$5.00

Watch for a registration form in Notes and Quotes or download a registration form from <u>www.nglsynod.org</u> under Upcoming Events.

> We are introducing a new feature sharing congregational stories of ministries.



'Synod Snapshots'
Check out
the February/March issue
of Notes & Quotes on
the Synod's website for the
first 'Synod Snapshot'.
More stories will be featured
in future issues of Notes
and Quotes!



### **National Youth Gathering – Houston**

June 27 - July 1, 2018

Make plans to attend with your youth, or contact Lisa Bouche at <a href="mailto:lisabouche92@gmail.com">lisabouche92@gmail.com</a> or contact the Synod Office at 906/228-2300 if you have one or two youth who need a church to go with.

Check out the information and links available at <a href="www.elca.org/gathering">www.elca.org/gathering</a>

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

### LIFTING UP TO GOD IN PRAYER

- ~Congregations in the call process, that the Spirit guide their discernment.
- ~Pastors and seminary students in the call process, that God's will be done.
- ~For those who need God in Christ Jesus but have not yet tried church.
- ~For those who are anxious and angry. May God quiet their spirits and give them hope.

CHECK OUT <u>www.prayfaithfully.org</u> for weekly "Breath Prayer" and Daily Devotions. The synod website is <u>www.nglsynod.org</u>





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### **Bishop Katherine Finegan**

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