



**South-Central Synod of Wisconsin
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**
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February 6, 2020

Dear Partners in Ministry,

Plans are well underway for the 2020 gathering in Assembly of the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin. This year, the assembly will occur in two parts: most of our usual assembly business will take place Friday-Saturday, May 1-2, at the Kalahari Resort and Conference Center in Wisconsin Dells. Then the Assembly will reconvene seven weeks later, on Saturday, June 20, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Verona for the sole purpose of electing a bishop. The people you register as voting members of the Assembly will be registered for both. (There will be a procedure in place should it be necessary to provide for a substitution for the June 20 event.)

We will gather under the theme of ***We Are Church Together***. We will worship, learn, celebrate milestones and ministry stories, elect leadership, adopt a budget, consider resolutions... and through it all experience the reality that "church" is based in congregation but spreads far beyond any one place. We are, indeed, always about the business of being church together.

The year 2020 means we will also be celebrating the 50th anniversary of American Lutherans opening the door to ordination for women, who now provide leadership in every corner of this church's life.

As the time grows closer, you will receive further information about events at this assembly. You have already received information about the events leading to the election of a bishop.

In this mailing, however, you now have in hand the information needed to register the voting members and visitors from your congregation, general information about the assembly schedule, and helpful guidance for on-line registration.

I have enjoyed these months of serving with you as the interim bishop and look forward to these gatherings of people from throughout the synod. We are church together.

Grace and Peace,

Peter Rogness
Interim Bishop

Enclosed: Assembly Registration Information
About our Keynote and Offering

P.S. Please remember to bring your congregation's offering in support of our Latino Ministries and our partner, the ELCA Caribbean Synod. These ministries will continue to bear fruit through your generosity.