



2023 SYNOD ASSEMBLY

HIGHLIGHTS

*"And being so fed, we will lean into the grace and grit of our vocation
to Be the Body, to live into the called life"*

RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were passed by the assembly:

R-1: Growing in Faith: The diakonia Program for 2023

Northern Illinois Synod Assembly and

**R-2: Memorialize Churchwide to Update the Social Statement
on Abortion**

ELECTIONS

Synod Council Offices

Vice President, Ms. Minnetee Willard

Treasurer, Ms. Lori Whalen

Secretary, Rev. Lu Cantrell

Synod Council

Ms. Katie Mehlretter, Mr. Alex Chenoweth, Ms. Christina King,
Ms. Rhonda Copeland, Mr. Brandon Graves, Rev. Joy Alsop

Congregational Life Committee

Ms. Kelly Van Fleet, Mr. Greg Bruner, Rev. Ryan Mackey

Global Missions Committee

Ms. Janet Larson, Mr. Mike Wadle, Rev. Dr. Janet Hunt

Ministry Support Committee

Dr. Randy Mullin, Rev. Karen Tews, Rev. David Russell

Outreach Committee

Ms. Lisa Gerloff-Banker, Rev. Robin Luckey

Social Ministry Committee

Ms. Donna Kelly, Mr. Paul Lockwood, Rev. Joanna Patterson,
Rev. Scott Ralston

Consultation Committee

Ms. Kearsti-Ray Knowles, Mr. Melvin Ehrler, Rev. Hope Johnson,
Rev. Zach Baer

Committee on Discipline

Ms. Grace Heimerdinger-Bakke, Mr. David Kromphardt,
Rev. Gwen Sefrhans-Murphy, Rev. Dr. Jon Pedersen

SPECIAL GUESTS

Rev. Dr. Char Rachuy Cox

Director of Nourishing Vocation Project through the
Lutheran Center for Faith, Values, and Community at
St. Olaf College

Rev. Peter Carlson Schattauer

Assistant Director for the Lutheran Center for Faith,
Values, and Community at St. Olaf College

Mr. Nick Kiger

ELCA Churchwide Representative, Director for
Mission Support

ACTIONS TAKEN

- passed the 2024 Northern Illinois Synod Budget
- passed the 2024 Rostered Minister Compensation Guidelines
- passed synod constitution changes received from 2022 Churchwide Assembly
- passed both resolutions brought to the assembly
- elected several members to serve on Synod Council and committees.
- heard from Bishop Fidlar on new initiatives including a partnership with Southeastern Iowa Synod



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