



Southern Ohio Synod SynodFest 2013

You and the entire Southern Ohio Synod are invited to the second annual **SynodFest**, being held **June 6-8, 2013 in Springfield, Ohio**.

What is SynodFest? It's a synod festival for all members of Southern Ohio Synod congregations. It's a time to come together as one body to celebrate, worship, learn, share, and take care of synod business. SynodFest is a come-and-go-as-you-please event, offering attendees the opportunity to participate in everything or just one thing. Pricing has been kept low to allow as many people as possible to attend.

Our focus for SynodFest 2013 is mission and partnership. We'll hear from some of our companion synods and the Reverend Albert Starr, from the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America regarding the opportunities, blessings and ongoing work God has placed before us.

Below is an overview of what attendees may choose to participate in while at SynodFest.

- † ***The Rostered Leaders Conference*** will be held at the Courtyard by Marriott Hotel in downtown Springfield June 6, 2013 from 9:15 am - 4 pm.
- † ***Equipping the Faith Community to Support Mental Health Recovery seminar***. Mental illness has pervaded the news over the last year, bringing this common and frequently misunderstood disease to the forefront. This free seminar will provide attendees with vital information, tools, and real life ways to love all of our neighbors and make a difference in the lives of those living with mental illness and their caregivers. This event will be held June 7 from 10 - 11:30 am in 105 Shouplin Hall. This is a free event.
- † ***SynodFest plenary sessions, including Bishop election and other Assembly business*** will be held in the HPER Center on Wittenberg University's campus. (June 7-8) Everyone is welcome to attend...voting members and non-voting members!
- † ***A special synod-wide worship service*** will be held in Weaver Chapel from 5-6 pm. (June 7) Everyone is welcome! No RSVP necessary.
- † ***A special farewell dinner for Bishop Callon Holloway*** will be held in the HPER Center from 6:30-9:00 pm on Friday, June 7, immediately following the synod-wide worship service. Everyone from our synod, not just those participating in other SynodFest activities, is invited to attend. Please pre-register for this activity as seating is limited.
- † ***A vendor fair*** featuring businesses specializing in providing goods and services to congregations and people like you! Our affiliates, partners and synodical task forces will be joining us this year as well, so plan to visit and hang around for a while on June 7 & 8 at the HPER Center.

We look forward to seeing all of you at SynodFest 2013! Please spread the word. Everyone is welcome!

Blessings,

The SynodFest Planning Team



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SynodFest 2013 Schedule of Events

Rostered Leaders Event

Thursday, June 6, 2013
9:15 am - 4:00 pm
Courtyard by Marriott Hotel, Springfield, Ohio

Breakfast

Saturday, June 8, 2013
6:00 am - 7:45 am
Student Center Cafeteria
Wittenberg University

Mental Health and Wellness Seminar

Friday, June 7, 2013
10:00 am - 11:30 am
105 Shouplin Hall
Wittenberg University

SynodFest Plenary Session 2

Saturday, June 8, 2013
9:00 am - 11:45 am
HPER Center
Wittenberg University

SynodFest Plenary Session 1

Friday, June 7, 2013
1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
HPER Center, Wittenberg University
Springfield, Ohio

Lunch

Saturday, June 8, 2013
11:45 am - 1:15 pm
Student Center Cafeteria
Wittenberg University

Synod-wide Worship Service

Friday, June 7, 2013
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Weaver Chapel
Wittenberg University

SynodFest Plenary Session 3

Saturday, June 8, 2013
1:15 pm - 4:00 pm
HPER Center
Wittenberg University

Farewell Dinner For Bishop Holloway

Friday, June 7, 2013
6:30 pm - 9:00 pm
HPER Center, Wittenberg University
Springfield, Ohio

See detail pages in this brochure for registration check-in times and other specifics regarding these events.

Rostered Leaders Event

Thursday, June 6, 2013

Making Your Personality Temperament Work For You!

This workshop will be lead by professionals from Midwest Ministry Development who specialize in Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI) leadership training.

8:45 am - 9:15 am *Check-in/registration. Gathering together.*

9:15 am - 10:30 am Session 1: Traits common to Leadership Excellence

In spite of the unique nature of pastoral ministry, there are traits common to all effective leaders. A discussion of those traits will begin the day's event. Discover which (any or all) traits fit your leadership patterns and learn ways to increase your effectiveness in ministry.

10:30 am - 10:45 am *Break*

10:45 am - 12:00 pm Session 2: Personality Temperaments and Leadership Style

Based on your Myers-Briggs Type Indicator, learn how your personality type impacts your overall pastoral leadership. Determine how you may become a change agent as you learn more about MBTI interior functions and their impact on interactions, visioning and general leadership success.

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm *Lunch*

1:00 pm - 2:15 pm Session 3: The Church Has Personality Too

How does your personality type match up with your congregation's personality type? Learn about the different types of church personalities and ascertain the best match for your personality type. What kind of leader will you be in that environment?

2:15 pm - 2:30 pm *Break*

2:30 pm - 3:45 pm Session 4: You and Your Church Governing Board—A Match Made in Heaven?

Church governance through the church council also has a unique personality. How do your personalities interrelate with each other? Now that you know more about your own personality and the general personality of congregations, what can you do to enhance your working relationship with your church council and effect excellent leadership in your church?

3:45 pm - 4:00 pm *Q&A*

We hope you leave the workshop with increased awareness of your personality, its impact on your leadership style, and its interaction with the personality of your congregation and governance board, with the goal of applying your knowledge to your own church setting.

Has it been years since you completed a Myers-Briggs assessment? What is your type? That information will be helpful as you participate in this workshop. If you do not remember or have never taken the Myers-Briggs, you can take the test through Midwest Ministry Development for \$38.00. Contact us (614.442.8822) by May 10, 2013 and arrange to take the inventory through our office. You will have your results before the workshop. If you are unable to cover the cost of the Myers-Briggs test, please contact the synod office. We have health and wellness funds to assist you.

Synod Mental Wellness & Recovery Task Force

Friday, June 7, 2013, 105 Shouplin Hall

Equipping the Faith Community to Support Mental Health Recovery

Mental illness has pervaded the news over the last year, bringing this common and frequently misunderstood disease to the forefront. In 2011, the Southern Ohio Synod Mental Wellness & Recovery Task Force was formed and began networking with experts in the field of mental health to equip and educate our congregations on their important role in the care and support of people in their congregations and communities who have some form of mental illness.

This free seminar will provide attendees with vital information, tools, and real life ways to love all of our neighbors and make a difference in the lives of those living with mental illness and their caregivers.

Did you know....

Mental disorders not only include Schizophrenia and Bi-Polar disease, but also encompass, Depression, ADHD, Autism, Seasonal Affective Disorder and Anxiety.

1 in 4 adults (approx. 57.7 million Americans) experience a mental disorder in a given year.

The ELCA is comprised of approximately 4 million members. Your chances of knowing someone who has or has a family member with a mental disorder is greater than you may realize.

10:00 am - 11:00 am

Reneé Kopache, Coordinator of Wellness Management for the Hamilton County Mental Health and Recovery Services Board in Cincinnati, Ohio will discuss mental health recovery as a process of change through which individuals improve their health and wellness. Phases of recovery include: hope, empowerment, self-responsibility and discovering a meaningful role in life.

Reneé is both passionate about recovery and an inspiring speaker.

11:00 am - 11:30 am

Task Force members will take questions and share directives on how to develop recovery support groups in congregations.

About Reneé

Reneé Kopache, MS, CPRP is the Coordinator of Wellness Management for the Hamilton County Mental Health and Recovery Services Board in Cincinnati, Ohio. She has assisted with numerous psychiatric rehabilitation and mental health recovery projects in Ohio and has conducted workshops, training, and keynote presentations throughout the United States. As an active member of the US Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association (USPRA), Reneé is a member of the Certification Commission, the People in Recovery and Conference committees and the president of the USPRA - Ohio Board. She is the recipient of the USPRA Isaiah Uliss Person in Recovery Advocate Award. Reneé is also a member of the American Psychological Association's Recovery Advisory Committee, and serves on various local and statewide committees/boards.

This seminar is FREE and open to all members of the Southern Ohio Synod.

SynodFest/Assembly Plenary Sessions Agenda

Friday, June 7, 2013
1 pm - 4:30 pm

Plenary Session I – HPER Center

- Opening Hymn
- Opening of Assembly
- Adoption of the Rules of Procedure
- Adoption of the 2013 Agenda
- Qualifications of Synodical Bishop
- Prayer and 1st Ballot for Bishop (Ecclesiastical Ballot)
- God Sightings and Our Mission in the World
- Mission Moment
- Bishop’s Report
- Results of 1st Ballot for Bishop
- ELCA Representative’s Report
- Dwelling in the Word Bible Study
- Prayer and 2nd Ballot for Bishop

Each congregation is entitled to send two voting members, preferably one female and one male, in addition to their pastor(s) and other rostered leaders. However, some congregations are eligible to send additional voting members as set forth in the Synod Constitution, S7.21, A97. Those congregations and the numbers of additional voting members eligible to attend are listed below.

Congregation	City	Add’l Voting
All Saints	Worthington	4
Christ	Columbus	1
Epiphany	Centerville	3
Epiphany	Pickerington	2
Good Shepherd	Cincinnati	1
Peace	Beavercreek	1
Peace	Gahanna	3
Prince of Peace	Dublin	2
Prince of Peace	Loveland	1
St. Paul	Westerville	1
Trinity	Marysville	1
Zion	Hamilton	1

*Please note:
 The possibility of an election exists on any ballot by achieving the required number of votes cast by voting members of the assembly applicable to a particular ballot.
 The Top 7 Nominees for Bishop will be announced on the synod website and nominees notified as soon as the results are known.
 This is a preliminary agenda and is subject to change.

Saturday, June 8, 2013
9 am - 4 pm

Plenary Session 2 – HPER Center

- Opening
- Results of 2nd Ballot for Bishop
- Report of the Council Secretary
- Report of the Synod Council Vice President
- Report of the Synod Council Treasurer
- Report of the Reference and Council Committee
- Report of the Nominating Committee
- Report of the Elections Committee
- Mission Moment
- Report of the Synod Council
 - 2014 Fiscal Proposal
 - 2014 Compensation Guidelines
- Companion Synod Partnership and Global Mission
- First General Ballot Voting and Results
- Question and Answer Session for Top 7 Nominees for Bishop
- Prayer and 3rd Ballot for Bishop
- 3rd Ballot for Bishop Results
- Mission Moment
- Companion Synod Partnership and Global Mission
- Second General Ballot Voting and Results

Plenary Session 3 – HPER Center

- Companion Synod Partnership and Global Mission
- Addresses by 3 People Who Received the Most Votes from Ballot 3 for Bishop
- 4th Ballot for Bishop & Results
- Report of the Reference and Council Committee—Resolutions
- Mission Moment
- Dwelling in the Word Bible Study
- 5th Ballot for Bishop & Results
- Address by Bishop-elect
- Protocol and Response Committee Report
- Closing

SynodFest Registration

Registration Deadline is May 22, 2013

Please select the activities you and any unregistered guests will be attending.

(Unregistered guests are individuals who are only participating in the Friday Farewell Dinner for Bishop Holloway. All other participants must complete a registration form.)

I am a: (Must select one)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Rostered Leader with call	<input type="checkbox"/>	Associate in Ministry retired	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rostered Leader on leave from call	<input type="checkbox"/>	Deaconess retired	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rostered Leader on disability	<input type="checkbox"/>	Diaconal Minister retired	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Clergy retired*	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lay Female	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rostered Leader NOT rostered in synod 6F	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lay Male	<input type="checkbox"/>

*Email ghudecek@southernohiosynod.org if you would like voting privileges.

My name and contact information are: (Please print clearly)

Prefix _____ Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Email Address _____

Daytime Telephone Number _____

Preferred Name on Namebadge _____

I am a member/employee of: (Write congregation/agency below. Include congregation city.)

Congregation/Agency _____

City _____

I would like to register for the following: (Check all that apply. At least one must be selected.)

Qty		By 5/22/13	Onsite
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rostered Leaders Event	\$25.00	\$35.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Synod Assembly as a Voting Member	\$50.00	\$70.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Synod Assembly as a Non-voting Member or Guest (Includes Retired Clergy & other Retired Rostered Leaders)	\$35.00	\$45.00

Meals (Select all that apply.
No onsite registration for meals.)

Qty	
<input type="checkbox"/>	June 7 Farewell Dinner for Bishop Holloway \$25.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	June 8 Breakfast in Campus Cafeteria \$10.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	June 8 Lunch in Campus Cafeteria \$12.00

SynodFest Registration Continued

Off-Campus Housing

Please call the *Courtyard by Marriott in Downtown Springfield* to reserve a room at our group rate of \$119 a night. Please indicate that you are with the Southern Ohio Synod to secure the group rate. Call 937.322.3600.

On-Campus Housing

	June 7 Single Occupancy \$55.00
	June 7 Double Occupancy \$35.00
	No campus housing requested

Roommate Preference:

Party Responsible for Payment: (Place "X" After Applicable Choice)

Congregation/Agency _____ Self _____

Payment information:

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$ _____

Check # _____

_____ Check is being mailed to Southern Ohio Synod, 300 S. 2nd Street, Columbus, OH 43215 by responsible party indicated above.

Cancellation policy: If you cancel your registration by May 24, 2013, your paid fees will be returned to you minus a \$10.00 processing fee. Refunds will be issued after SynodFest and mailed to the address indicated on the registration form.

Please mail checks to:

Southern Ohio Synod
Attn: Susan Barton-Nonno
300 S. 2nd Street
Columbus, OH 43215

Please send to the address above to assist us with accurate accounting for this event.

Register online at www.southernohiosynod.org

Payments for pre-registrations must be in receipt by the synod office by **Monday, June 3, 2013.**

SynodFest 2013

June 6-8

Wittenberg University

Springfield, Ohio