



Southern Ohio Synod Assembly

June 6-7, 2014

Wittenberg University and Courtyard by Marriott Hotel
Springfield, Ohio

You and the entire Southern Ohio Synod are invited to participate in our Annual Synod Assembly, being held **June 6-7, 2014 in Springfield, Ohio.**

It's a time to come together as one body to celebrate, worship, learn, share, and take care of synod business. Workshops are offered to all members of the Southern Ohio Synod on Friday, June 6 and Synod Business will be carried out on Saturday, June 7. Pricing has been kept low to allow as many people as possible to attend.

Our theme for Assembly is 'We are church together.' Our focus scripture is 1 Corinthians 12:12-31. We'll hear from the Reverend Don McCoid, from the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America regarding the opportunities, blessings and ongoing work God has placed before us, as well as Bible Study leader, the Rev. Dr. Rick Barger, President of Trinity Lutheran Seminary. We are also excited to present updates and insights from people around our synod who are doing amazing work in the name of Jesus. Prepare to be inspired by their ministries and commitment to the Gospel. Everyone is sure to bring back something to their congregation to strengthen and encourage members as we continue to be church together.

Below is an overview of what attendees may choose to participate in during Assembly.

- † ***The Rostered Leaders Conference*** will be held at the Courtyard by Marriott Hotel in downtown Springfield June 6, 2014 from 10 am - 4 pm. The conference focus is *Leading from Within: The Emotionally Intelligent Leader* presented by The Rev. Dr. C. Lynn Nakamura.
- † ***Workshops on the topics of Worship, Technology, Advocacy and Outreach*** will be held on Wittenberg University's campus in the Student Center and Shouplin Hall on June 6 from 10 am - noon and 1:30 to 3:30 pm. See the Workshops pages in this brochure for details.
- † ***A special synod-wide worship service*** will be held in Weaver Chapel from 5-6 pm on June 6. Everyone is welcome! Open to all members of the Southern Ohio Synod. Bishop Suzanne Dillahunt will preach. No RSVP necessary.
- † ***Assembly plenary sessions, including elections, Bible Study and other Assembly business*** will be held in the HPER Center on Wittenberg University's campus. (June 7) Everyone is welcome to attend...voting members and non-voting members!
- † ***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 as well, so plan to visit and hang around for a while on June 7 at the HPER Center.

We look forward to seeing all of you at Synod Assembly 2014! Please spread the word.
Everyone is welcome!

Blessings,

The Synod Assembly Planning Team



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Synod Assembly 2014 Schedule of Events

Rostered Leaders Event

Friday, June 6, 2014
10 am - 4:00 pm
Courtyard by Marriott Hotel, Springfield, Ohio

Breakfast

Saturday, June 7, 2014
7:30 am - 8:30 am
Student Center Cafeteria
Wittenberg University

Workshops

Friday, June 6, 2014
10:00 am - noon
Student Center & Shouvlin Hall
Wittenberg University

Synod Assembly Plenary Session 1

Saturday, June 7, 2014
9:00 am - 12:30 pm
HPER Center
Wittenberg University

Lunch

Friday, June 6, 2014
noon - 1:15 pm
Student Center Cafeteria
Wittenberg University

Lunch

Saturday, June 7, 2014
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm
Student Center Cafeteria
Wittenberg University

Workshops

Friday, June 6, 2014
1:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Student Center & Shouvlin Hall
Wittenberg University

Synod Assembly Plenary Session 2

Saturday, June 7, 2014
1:45 pm - 4:30 pm
HPER Center
Wittenberg University

Synod-wide Worship Service

Friday, June 6, 2014
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Weaver Chapel
Wittenberg University

See detail pages in this brochure for specifics regarding these events.

Rostered Leaders Conference

Friday, June 6, 2014

10 am-4 pm Courtyard by Marriott Hotel, 100 S. Fountain Ave, Springfield

Leading from Within: The Emotionally Intelligent Leader

“Our deepest calling is to grow into our own authentic selfhood, whether or not it conforms to some image of who we ought to be. As we do so, we will not only find the joy that every human being seeks—we will also find our path of authentic service in the world.” ~Parker J. Palmer.

Let Your Life Speak: Listening for the Voice of Vocation



The challenges of ministry in today’s world are varied and numerous. To meet these challenges, rostered leaders in the church receive extensive education and skills training over many years. Yet, current research demonstrates that knowledge and skills, while foundational, are insufficient to meet the needs of leadership in today’s contexts. The ability to understand and manage oneself and to understand and work with others is key. This is emotional intelligence (EI). In fact, among those who are otherwise alike in abilities and expertise, EI is what distinguishes outstanding leaders from the pack.

This event is an opportunity to begin to look at emotional intelligence. Among the many things we will consider are the following:

- What is EI?
- How does EI relate to outstanding leadership at all levels?
- What does neuroscience teach us about leadership?
- What is a framework for developing EI competencies?

The Rev. Dr. C. Lynn Nakamura established *Mindful Calling* as a leadership development and coaching practice that specializes in the nurturance of emotional intelligence as a means to improved leadership.

C. Lynn Nakamura brings more than two decades of experience to *Mindful Calling*. She earned her Ph.D. in Biblical Studies - Old Testament from Princeton Theological Seminary, her Master of Divinity from the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, and her Bachelor of Arts in Church Music and Humanities from Susquehanna University. She also holds certifications in: Leadership Development through Emotional Intelligence (Case Western Reserve University’s Weatherhead School of Management), the Emotional and Social Competency Inventory (ESCI) (The Hay Group), Healthy Congregations Workshops facilitator (Healthy Congregations, Inc.), and the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator® (MBTI®) instrument (Center for Applications of Psychological Type). For more than 23 years, Lynn participated in the training and education of clergy and lay leaders of the church as a tenured faculty member at Trinity Lutheran Seminary before leaving in order to establish *Mindful Calling*. During much of that time, she also held leadership positions at the seminary in the areas of information technology and online learning. As Professor Emerita of Old Testament & Learning Technologies, Lynn now teaches in an adjunct capacity at Trinity in the areas of Old Testament and leadership development. She has also taught at Capital University and conducted workshops and training with Synods of the ELCA and other church bodies.

Workshops

Friday, June 6, 2014, Student Center and Shouplin Hall

Worship Track

10 am - Noon Student Center Alumni Room
(2nd Floor)

Body, Mind and Spirit - Just a Little Talk With Jesus

Prayer is more than what we say to God. Prayer is not one sided. Prayer does not end with our words. Prayer includes how God responds to the ways we communicate with God.

Presented by The Rev. Orinda W. Hawkins-Brinkley, RN, BA, M.Div.

Rev. Orinda, is Pastor at St. John's Lutheran, London, OH. She is a champion of the wounded, an advocate for women and teen parents and a crusader against violence. In addition, she is a teacher, healing group facilitator and retreat leader, and has served on many of the Via de Cristo and ecumenical spiritual retreat weekends as Spiritual Director. She is a transformation ministry specialist with a focus on prayer and leadership development.

1:30 - 3:30 pm Student Center Alumni Room
(2nd Floor)

The Shape of Worship: Why what you do on Sunday mornings matters for your church and the whole church

This workshop is meant primarily for lay people and is meant to help them see the basic pattern of Lutheran worship. Within that pattern there can be lots of variety and creativity, but the basic shape of worship connects us to the whole church.

A basic text for the course will be the introduction to Evangelical Lutheran Worship, and the book, "A Banqueter's Guide to the All-Night Soup Kitchen of the Kingdom of God" by Patrick McCormick.

Presented by The Rev. John Morris

Pastor Morris is senior pastor of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Dublin, Ohio. He is on the Advisory Council of the Institute of Liturgical Studies at Valparaiso University, the ELCA Worship Staff for Churchwide Assemblies, and an occasional writer for Augsburg Fortress in areas of preaching and worship.

Technology/Social Media Track

10 am - Noon 105 Shouplin Hall

Future Tech

Future Tech will explore popular technologies in use today, and how they may evolve to new technologies and impact our lives. This will include discussions on big data, the 'internet of things,' cloud solutions and how individuals and congregations may take advantage of these technologies to their benefit in all their programs and services.

Presented by Mr. Scott King

King is the Director of Information Services at Team Fishel in Columbus, Ohio leading a group of professionals responsible for telecommunications, infrastructure, applications, business intelligence and business continuity supporting more than 1,700 teammates at over 30 locations nationwide. Prior to joining Team Fishel, King was the Product Development Manager at Document Imaging Solutions, as well as the eCommerce Practice Manager at Quick Solutions in Columbus, Ohio. In both roles, King provided IT consulting services to a range of clients in a wide variety of industries. In his current role, King oversees the use of cutting edge (and sometimes not) technology to solve complex business problems and optimize the value of technology used at Team Fishel.

King holds a Bachelor of Science in Health

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Workshops

Friday, June 6, 2014, Student Center and Shouvlin Hall

Care Administration from Ohio University and is currently the Vice President of Council for All Shepherds Lutheran Church in Lewis Center. Scott enjoys spending any spare time with his wife, three children, two dogs, and occasional golf club. Scott can be contacted at scottkingoh@gmail.com.

1:30 - 3:30 pm 105 Shouvlin Hall

Generation Like: What Parents and Church Leaders Need to Know about Teens, Technology, and Social Media

Today's children and teens are "digital natives," having grown up in a world where they have never experienced a time in which the Internet did not exist. Smartphones, the iPod Touch, and other technologies have put the world at their fingertips and have changed the way young people experience life, develop identity, and engage in relationships. What technologies are young people using today? How can parents and church leaders consistently and effectively equip young people to engage with their digital world in ways that are productive and responsible?

Presented by Mrs. Erin Haligowski

Haligowski is the Director of Youth Ministries at Epiphany Lutheran Church in Centerville, OH. She's a productivity junkie, interested in understanding and practicing leadership, slightly obsessed with social media, and trying to figure out ministry with the next generation of Jesus followers. She lives in Springboro, OH with her husband Scott and their golden retriever, Hiro. Connect with @erinhaligowski on Twitter, Instagram and Vine or on Facebook at [facebook.com/erin.haligowski](https://www.facebook.com/erin.haligowski).

Advocacy Track

10 am - Noon 201 Shouvlin Hall

Wellness and Recovery Is For Everyone!

Carry each others burdens. In this way you fulfill the law of Christ. Galatians 6:2

Join us as we experience Wellness Management and Recovery Process, a peer-centered wellness and recovery process that promotes: deliberative dialogue and collaboration among peers, toward self-directed care, multi-cultural competencies, systemic change, and healthy community.

Everyone is in some kind of recovery; everyone is welcome to work toward wellness! Participants of the workshop will engage, reflect, and debrief their own wellness goals in interactive small-group work; the participant will take away a handy process by which one may build a balanced, self-directed wellness plan. Typically, attendees consider wellness in terms of spiritual, physical, emotional (social), work, and family well-being.

This same process will be used in a newly proposed pilot project introducing peer support groups in our congregations and faith-based communities for people living with mental illness (either afflicted or affected).

These support groups may be clustered by disorder or relationship (patient, family, care-giver) as the community needs. It is our deep desire that through this ministry we will open the door to wellness and recovery, as we extend Christ's care to people inside and outside our faith communities.

"...We are not yet what we shall be, but we are growing toward it, the process is not yet finished, but it is going on, this is not the end, but it is the road. All does not yet gleam in glory, but all is being purified."

~ Martin Luther

Presented by Ms. Deborah Wilcox, Ph.D.

Workshops

1:30 - 3:30 pm 201 Shouplin Hall

Doing Justice & Our Call to Advocacy: Public Policy Ministry in Ohio

An introductory workshop on our call to faithfully witness to the love and grace of God by raising our voice to change the systemic barriers that impact the lives of all of us—especially ‘the least of these.’ Rostered leaders and laity who are interested in responding faithfully to the concerns of poverty, exploitation, and other issues should attend this workshop to receive updates on public policy in Ohio and what we can do together to improve it!

Presented by Mr. Nick Bates

Bates works on budget and revenue policies with the non-profit coalition One Ohio Now. He is a graduate of Capital University Law School (JD) and Trinity Lutheran Seminary (MTS) both in 2012. Prior to returning to school full time, he spent almost 6 years working with homeless and transitional youth on local, state, and national policy. Bates currently serves as chair of the newly created public policy ministry taskforce for the Southern Ohio Synod and also serves on the Hunger Task Force, The Ohio Council of Churches Advocacy and Justice Commission, and has recently been approved by the Southern Ohio Synod for consecration as a diaconal minister. He is married to Katie Bates and they have an energetic and fun-loving four-year-old son, Samuel.

Outreach Track

10 am - noon Geil Lounge (Lower level of Student Center)

Plastic Bag Sleeping Mat Ministry Hands-On Workshop

Turn an ordinary plastic grocery bag into a vibrant outreach-oriented ministry that almost anyone in your congregation and your community can be a part of.

Members of Trinity Lutheran Church, Versailles began their Sleeping Mat Ministry in the summer of 2012 and have hand-crafted over 100 mats benefitting the homeless in Sidney, Piqua, Dayton and Cincinnati. One mat was even hand-delivered to a family in India by a local missionary. Not only has the Sleeping Mat Ministry helped the homeless, it's brought members of the community into the congregation where they sit side-by-side with Trinity members, building relationships and sharing God's love.

Come join us to learn how to weave these sleeping mats and create a ministry that reaches deep into the community.

What to bring:

1. Plastic grocery bags
2. Sharp scissors
3. Ink pen
4. Q size crochet hook
5. And a desire to learn and have fun!

Presented by members of Trinity Lutheran Church, Versailles passionate about this ministry.

Workshops are open to all members of the Southern Ohio Synod. Individuals may register for 'Workshops Only' for a \$15 fee and attend only the workshops on Friday, June 6.

Individuals who are voting members or visitors planning to attend the June 7 Assembly plenary sessions are also invited to attend the Friday workshops at no additional cost. See registration form for voting and non-voting member fees.

Synod Assembly Plenary Sessions Agenda*

Saturday, June 7, 2013

9 am - 4:30 pm

Registration begins at 7 am

*****NEW*** 8 am Robert's Rules of Order Tutorial**
— HPER Center *For new voting members or anyone interested in better understanding parliamentary procedure for Assembly*

Plenary Session I — HPER Center

Opening Hymn

Opening of Assembly & Worship Together

Greetings and Introductions

Report on Registration and Attendance

Adoption of Agenda & Rules of Procedure

Greetings from Wittenberg University

Nominations Committee Report

Bible Study

Elections

Report from Synod Council Vice President

Report from Synod Council Secretary

Report from Synod Council Treasurer

ELCA Report

Break

Report from Synod Bishop

Elections Report and 2nd Ballot if Necessary

Mission Moment

Break for Lunch

Plenary Session 2 — HPER Center

Music and Prayer

Resolutions

Bible Study

Mission Moment

Constitutional Changes

Break

Fiscal Proposal

Elections Report and 3rd Ballot if Necessary

Compensation Guidelines

Mission Moment

Resolutions if Necessary

Thanks

Sending Worship and Closing of the Assembly

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. Baptized member numbers obtained through 2012 reports filed with the ELCA. 2013 numbers are not yet available.

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	2
Zion	Hamilton	1

Prior to May 21, Retired and On Leave Clergy may request voting privileges from the Southern Ohio Synod Bishop by hard copy mail sent to 300 S. 2nd Street, Columbus, OH 43215 or email BishopSDillahunt@southernohiosynod.org.

**Registration Deadline is
May 21, 2014**

***Agenda is subject to change**

On-Campus and Off-Campus Housing

On-Campus Housing

On-campus housing reservations for the New Hall residence hall will be available to guests who submit their Assembly registration prior to the May 21, 2014 deadline. No rooms will be available for on-site reservations.

Guests may reserve a single or double room for June 5 and/or June 6. Each guest will be provided with sheets, a pillow, a light blanket, a towel and washcloth as part of the room fee.

If you have a special need regarding your room, please contact Susan Barton-Nonno (sbarton-nonno@southernohiosynod.org) directly so we can see if your request can be accommodated.

- ◆ You may request a roommate on your registration form. If you choose a double room and no roommate is requested, you will be assigned a roommate.
- ◆ All rooms are air conditioned and bathrooms are available on each floor.
- ◆ Room rates are \$68.00 per night for a single occupancy room and \$51.00 per night for a double occupancy room.
- ◆ **Guests checking in on June 5** will pick up their keys at the Student Center Information Desk between 8 am and 7 pm.
- ◆ **Guests checking in on June 6** will pick up their keys in the New Hall lounge between 10 am and 1 pm or 4:30 pm and 6:30 pm.
- ◆ **Checkout on Saturday, June 7** will be in the New Hall lounge between 8 am and noon.
- ◆ A \$50 fee will be assessed for any key not returned.

Off-Campus Housing

We have secured a special group rate at the Courtyard by Marriott Hotel (100 S. Fountain Ave, Springfield) of \$119 plus tax per night. The deadline for securing rooms at this group rate is May 5, 2014. Please call the hotel directly at 937.322.3600 to reserve your room. Please indicate that you are with the Southern Ohio Synod to obtain the group rate.

Other hotel options in the area are:

Comfort Suites
121 Raydo Circle
Springfield, OH
937.322.0707

Fairfield Inn by Marriott
1870 West First Street
Springfield, OH
937.323.9554

Quality Inn & Conf Center
383 E Leffel Ln
Springfield, OH
937.323.8631

For more options, please visit the Springfield Ohio Visitors Bureau at www.greaterspringfield.com/cvb/

Synod Assembly 2014 Registration

Registration Deadline is
May 21, 2014

My name and contact information are:

(Please complete one registration form for each person attending. 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.)

Select "x"		By 5/21/14	Onsite										
	June 6 Workshops Only (Not attending Sat June 7)	\$15.00	N/A										
	June 6 Workshops (Select only 1 option from each time slot)												
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	Rostered Leaders Event (June 6) (Price includes lunch)	\$30.00	\$40.00										
	Synod Assembly as a Clergy Voting Member [Ordained Rostered Leader with Call or serving as Interim or Supply Pastor] (Price includes Workshops-NOT Rostered Leaders Event)	\$35.00	\$50.00										
	Synod Assembly as a Lay Voting Member [Lay Rostered Leader with Call or Lay Person] (Price includes Workshops-NOT Rostered Leaders Event)	\$35.00	\$50.00										
	Synod Assembly as a Non-voting Member [Retired Clergy*, Retired Lay Rostered Leaders, Clergy On Leave from Call*, Lay Rostered Leaders on Leave from Call, Visitors] (Price includes Workshops-NOT Rostered Leaders Event)	\$20.00	\$30.00										
	June 6 Lunch (Must be pre-ordered)	\$15.00	N/A										
	June 7 Breakfast (Must be pre-ordered)	\$10.00	N/A										
	June 7 Lunch (Must be pre-ordered)	\$12.00	N/A										
	June 5 Campus Housing--Single Occupancy (No on-site reservations)	\$68.00	N/A										
	June 5 Campus Housing--Double Occupancy (No on-site reservations) Roommate _____	\$51.00	N/A										
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	Total	\$											

*Voting privileges may be requested. See page 8 for details.

Synod Assembly 2014 Registration Continued

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 23, 2014, your paid fees will be returned to you minus a \$10.00 processing fee. Refunds will be issued after Synod Assembly 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

Registration deadline is
May 21, 2014

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

**Register & pay online at
www.southernohiosynod.org
Now accepting VISA and MasterCard.**