



30th Annual Synod Assembly
Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod, ELCA
June 2-3, 2017
Kalahari Resort & Convention Center
Pocono Manor, PA

2017 Synod Assembly Program

Friday, June 2, 2017

8:00 AM Registration Opens

9:30 - 12:00PM Plenary Session One

Opening Worship (with Order for the Opening of an Assembly)
Adoption of the Program
Report of the Vice President and Synod Council
Recognition of the service of outgoing Vice President and Treasurer
Report of the Nominating Committee
Introduction of candidates for Vice President and Treasurer
First Ballot
Mission Interpretation Moment
Greetings from Portico Benefit Services
Report of the Secretary
Address of the ELCA representative
World Hunger Offering
First Report of the Committee of Reference and Counsel
Report of the Bishop
Announcements

12:00 - 2:00 PM Lunch on your own/God's Playground

2:00 - 4:00 PM Plenary Session Two

Gathering Music/Prayer
Greetings from Pennsylvania Council of Churches
Report of the First Ballot, Second Ballot
First Keynote Address: The Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kleinhans
Ministry Teams Report
Mission Interpretation Moment
Report of the Treasurer

Presentation of 2018 Spending Plan
Report on Always Being Made New, Campaign for the ELCA
50th Anniversary Video
Acknowledgment of Those New to the Roster and Retirements
Announcements

4:00 - 4:30 PM Break

4:30 - 6:00 PM Eucharist in Celebration of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation

6:00 - 7:00 PM God's Playground

7:00 - 500th Anniversary Banquet

Saturday, June 3, 2017

8:15 - 8:45 AM Opening Worship

9:00 - 12:00 noon Plenary Session Three

Report of the Second Ballot, Third Ballot
Greetings from Diakon Lutheran Social Ministries
Second Keynote Address: The Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kleinhans
Mission Interpretation Moment
Action on 2018 Rostered Minister Compensation Guidelines
Second Report of the Committee of Reference and Counsel
Report of the Constitution Committee
Report from United Lutheran Seminary
Greetings from Bear Creek Camp
Lutheran Youth Fellowship Activity
Report of the Third Ballot (if necessary)
Introduction of candidates for the roster
Other reports: Q&A about the Bulletin of Reports
Unfinished Business
Report of the Committee on Minutes
Announcements
Order for the Closing of an Assembly, with Installation of Deans, Synod Council Members and Officers

12:00 - Pocono Mountain Cookout