

Youth Ministry Leadership

WHEREAS, youth ministry is an essential ministry to the life and vitality of congregations and of Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod; and

WHEREAS, faith formation is a critical ministry in a world that does not nurture relationships with God; and

WHEREAS, congregational leaders need synodical support such as a leader who provides direction to develop the leadership skills of youth and young adults and the skills of adults working with youth and young adults; and

WHEREAS, congregations need a synodical leader that assists the Youth, Young Adult and Family Ministry and Faith Formation Resource Ministry teams that plan, organize, oversee and implement youth, young adult and faith formation gatherings and events; and

WHEREAS, the following congregations and leaders have already committed to support a synod staff position; Deacon Kathleen Schaeffer; Deacon Deborah Graf, Deacon Joy Gerhart; Deacon Jackie Grauel; Deacon Marlane Druckenmiller; Rev. Greg Frey; Rev. Paul Spohn; Rev. Donna House; Rev. Lauren Applegate, St. Paul, Douglassville; New Jerusalem Lutheran Church ELC, Lower Saucon Township, the Youth, Young Adult and Family Ministry Team of NEPS and the East Berks Mission District;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Youth, Young Adult, and Family Ministry Team address the need for synodical youth leadership; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Team will work with the Transition Team that will report to the new bishop in 2020.