**SA 2019 AGENDA**

**“Growing in Our Witness”**

2019 Synod Assembly

Upstate New York Synod – ELCA

 **Thursday May 30, 2019** **WHERE TO BE**

3:00pm **Register** and receive electronic voting device **(EMPIRE LOBBY)**

 Mission Expo Preview (tables are set up but not staffed) **(GALLERIA)**

4:30pm Guidebook orientation/Electronic voting tutorial  **(EMPIRE NORTH)**

5:15-6:15pm **Dinner: Buffet**  **(GRAND LILAC BALLROOM)**

6:15pm **Gathering Music** **(EMPIRE NORTH)**

6:30pm **Opening Worship** **/Opening of the Assembly: Welcome, Worship, Witness!**

 Reception of St. John’s and St. Paul’s to the UNY Synod

7:00pm **PLENARY 1** - **(EMPIRE NORTH)**

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 Report on Registration

 Adoption of Agenda and Rules of Procedure

 Introduction of Guests, Ecumenical Visitors, Deans, Chaplains and Synod Staff

 Appointment of Committees

Reference & Counsel

Report of the Nominating Committee

 Introduction

 Resolutions

 2020 Mission Proposal

 ELCA World Hunger Challenge (1)

 Resolution on The Earth Charter

Report from ELCA – Lori Fedyk and video

 Faith Alive! Moments (1) / Strategy

 Congregational (Synod Mission) Video Clip

 Coaching Session Intro – Rev. Norma Malfatti

 Announcements

8:45pm **Holden Evening Prayer (EMPIRE NORTH)**

*Following worship* **Fellowship event** (**Mission Expo Area - GALLERIA)**

 *(Provided by the Women of the ELCA)*

**Friday May 31, 2019**

6:30am **Early Morning Prayer**  **(PRAYER ROOM – Aqueduct A & B)**

7:00 – 8:15am **Breakfast**   **(GRAND LILAC BALLROOM)**

7:30am **Register** and received electronic voting device  **(EMPIRE LOBBY)**

8:00am Guidebook orientation/Electronic voting tutorial **(EMPIRE NORTH)**

8:30am **Service of Morning Prayer:** Spirit of God, Fall Fresh!

8:45am **PLENARY 2 (EMPIRE NORTH)**

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 Report on Registration

 Elections (Nominating Committee)

 Timeline for Bishops election 2020

Synod Council

 United Lutheran Seminary Board

 Message from United Lutheran Seminary – Rev. Dr. Martin Zimmann

 Social Statement on Women and Justice (Church Wide Rep) – Pr. Lori

Kochanski and Brad Wendell

 Message about Youth Ministry-Nick Stroczkowski

 Message about Outdoor Lutheran Ministry- Lee Lindeman

 Message from Women of the ELCA – Sue Fox or designee

10:15am **Break** (Coffee served in **EMPIRE NORTH AREA)**

10:30am **PLENARY 2** continues  **(EMPIRE NORTH)**

 Strategic Vision & Plan Update

 Treasurer’s Report – Fred Risser

 Faith Alive! Moments (2) / Strategy

 Committee of the Whole

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 Announcements about Afternoon and evening events

 World Hunger Report(2)

**Recognition of 400 Years of Inequality: African Forced Migration to America** – Rev. Dr. Julius Carrol and Rev. Dr. Kenneth Simurro

12:00noon **Lunch**  **(GRAND LILAC BALLROOM)**

 Retirees & Widows Luncheon with Bishop **(RIVERSIDE COURT)**

12:45pm Prayer and Anointing **(PRAYER ROOM – Aqueduct A & B)**

1:00pm **WORKSHOPS Session 1** **(STREET LEVEL CLASSROOMS)**

2:00pm **Break** **(Coffee served in Mission Expo Area -** **GALLERIA)**

2:30pm **WORKSHOPS Session 2 (STREET LEVEL CLASSROOMS)**

3:30 – 5:15pm **MISSION EXPO (GALLERIA)**

 **Coaching Sessions**

3:45pm Rehearsal for Service of Holy Communion **(EMPIRE NORTH)**

5:30pm **Dinner (GRAND LILAC BALLROOM)**

6:00pm Anniversary awards & Recognitions (Synod Council & Deans)

 Mission Support Recognitions

6:45pm **Gathering Music** **(EMPIRE NORTH)**

7:00pm **Singing the Church Year: Service of Holy Communion**

 Installation of Synod Council and Deans

*Following worship* **Fellowship event** **(RIVERSIDE COURT)**

 *(Supported by the Mission Investment Fund and ULS)*

**Saturday June 1, 2019**

6:30am **Early Morning Prayer**  **(PRAYER ROOM –** **Aqueduct A & B)**

 **BISHOP’S CHALLENGE – WEAR YOUR SNEAKERS TO SNEAK UP ON HUNGER**

7:00 – 8:15am **Breakfast (GRAND LILAC BALLROOM)**

8:30am **Service of Morning Prayer:** For the Hungry and the Fed **(EMPIRE NORTH)**

8:45am **PLENARY 3** **(EMPIRE NORTH)**

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 Attendance Report

 Faith Alive! Moments (3) / Strategy

 World Hunger Report (3)

 Bishop’s Report

 Reference and Counsel: Memorials & Resolutions

10:30am **Break**  (Coffee served in **EMPIRE NORTH AREA)**

10:40am **PLENARY 3** continues **(EMPIRE NORTH)**

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 Faith Alive! Moments (4) / Strategy

 Children’s presentation to Bishop

 Vote on 2020 Mission Proposal

***(Collection of voting cards and devices)***

 World Hunger Report (4) and **Sneaker Count Report**

 Resolution of the Assembly

**Commissioning** **of Churchwide** **Assembly Voting Members**

12:00 Noon **Sending Liturgy:** **Called, Commissioned, Sent (EMPIRE NORTH**

 **proceeding to GALLERIA)**

 **The Assembly is invited to depart:**  **CALLED, COMMISSIONED, and SENT!**