
Assembly Information

THE VOTING MEMBER'S TASK

Your informed decisions and other input, guided by God's Spirit, scripture, and your conscience are important. Please attend any Pre-Assembly caucuses in your area. Share this book with your Congregation Council President and your Congregation Council. Discuss resolutions and issues with your council. Read through this book. Pray. You have the privilege and responsibility to address the other voting members. You don't have to "have it all together" to speak. Your view will enhance the Assembly. At the conclusion of the Assembly, you will be sent a brief voting member's summary. Your own notes will also be valuable to you. Both will help you with the report which you (or another voting member) will give to your congregation or council.

PLEASE BRING: Bring this Pre-Assembly book to all assembly sessions.

REGISTRAR: Liza Eekhoff, P.O. Box 499, Redwood Falls, MN 56283; 507-637-3904; liza.eekhoff@swwmnelca.org

REGISTRATION: Registration for everyone upon arrival on **Saturday at 7:00 a.m.** in the Link (connection between the Community Center and the High School) at the Redwood Area Community Center and High School, Redwood Falls, Minnesota.

HOUSING: Housing and breakfast arrangements are NOT included, but the responsibility of the attendees. Accommodations must be made directly with area hotels. Info was included in the registration packet.

MEETING FACILITIES: Every worship service and plenary session will be located in the Fieldhouse of the Redwood Area Community Center. The Workshop times will take place on **Saturday** at various locations as listed on the "Workshop" handout available at the assembly.

PHONE NUMBERS: Phone number to contact the synod office at the assembly is 507-644-2333.

NAME TAGS: All white name tags designate voting members. Non-voting members have a colored name tag to identify themselves.

RECYCLING: Our synod is continuing to grow in its commitment to be "green." Recycling bins will be available. Please pitch in!

HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBILITY: The Redwood Area Community Center and High School are handicap accessible.

DISPLAYS: Please visit the display area located in the high school gymnasium.

RETIRED PASTORS: Retired pastors on the roster of this synod are advisors to the assembly, unless they are serving as an interim in a congregation during the time of the assembly. *Retired pastors have voice, but no vote.* Two retired pastors, elected by their peers at the Elderberry Retreat, will serve as voting members of the assembly.

OFFERING: The offering sent by each congregation with their voting members will be received at either the Saturday or Sunday worship services. Congregations are encouraged to send \$1 per baptized member for offering. Please make checks payable to: *Southwestern Minnesota Synod.*

WORKSHOPS & SERVICE PROJECTS: Two rounds of *Workshops* and *Service Projects* will be held in selected locations on Saturday afternoon. Exact room locations, schedule, and more detailed description will be distributed at the assembly.

UPCOMING EVENTS

2010 Fall Theological Conference

September 26-29, 2010
Luther Crest & Mt. Carmel,
Alexandria, MN

2011 Synod Assembly

June 10-12, 2011
Gustavus Adolphus College,
St. Peter, MN

2012 Synod Assembly

June 8-10, 2012
Gustavus Adolphus College
St. Peter, MN