



For your Prayers and Information

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Update Southwestern Minnesota Synod ELCA

February 17, 2010

Motions to Call for Special Meeting to consider initiating the process to disaffiliate -

1. Wang, Maynard – time unclear
2. Waverly, Trimont - six months from annual meeting
3. Good Shepherd, Princeton – six months from annual meeting

Votes failed

4. Christ, Cottonwood
 - a. 74 to 44. The motion failed to reach the 66% to pass. 62%
5. St. John's, Springfield
 - a. 156 people who voted. Of that group 99(63%) voted to leave and 57 (37%)
6. St. Peter, Ceylon
 - a. They voted to 26 to 26. The vote to leave failed. Recently voted to adopt CORE Common Confession with amendments.

Other Outcomes

7. Sundown Lutheran of Springfield voted 20-2 to postpone this vote indefinitely.

First Vote Successful

1. St. John's Howard Lake
 - a. 97 to 3 to leave our denomination – 97%
2. Christ the King in Hutchinson
 - a. They voted 226 to 99. 67%
 - b. Consultations completed
 - c. No second vote scheduled at this time.
3. Faith in Monticello
 - a. They voted 64 to 10 to leave. 86%
 - b. Cong. Consultation Feb. 28
 - c. Second Vote scheduled Mar. 21 or 28
4. Maple Lake Lutheran
 - a. 93 to 8 – 92%
 - b. Council Consultation March 14
 - c. Congregational Consultation April 11
 - d. Proposed date for second vote May 2
5. Faith Hutchinson –
 - a. Voted on 2 28 10 – 178 in favor and 23 opposed – 88.6%
 - b. Consultations to be scheduled.

Second Votes Successful – Awaiting Synod Council Release

6. Singsaas, Hendricks – small congregation
 - a. They voted 16 to 4 to leave – 80%
 - b. They voted 20 to 7 to leave – 74%