

Delaware-Maryland Synod Assembly
June 2-4, 2016
Roland Powell Convention Center, Ocean City, MD
Presiding Officer: Bishop Wolfgang Herz-Lane
ELCA Representative: The Reverend Wm. Chris Boerger
Parliamentarian: Ann Iona Warner
Bible Study Leader: Bishop Thomas Skrenes

Thursday, June 2 (Morning, Afternoon)

8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Registration

11:00 a.m. Worship (Performing Arts Center) and Order for the Opening of the Assembly

12:30 p.m. Lunch

2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Business Session #1

Organization of the Assembly

Welcome and Introductions

Adoption of the Rules of Procedure

Adoption of the Agenda

Practice using the Electronic Voting Machines

ELCA Representative

Overview of the Election for Bishop

Report of the Credentials Committee

Explanation of the Ecclesiastical Ballot

Spiritual Preparation

First Ballot for Election of Bishop

Coffee Break (30 minutes)

Report of Constitution and Bylaws Committee

(Announcement of Proposed Amendments)

Vision 2018 Implementation Plan

Report of Reference and Counsel Committee

Report of Elections Committee: First Ballot for Bishop

5:00 p.m. Recess

Deadline for Resolutions

Dinner (on your own)

Thursday, June 2 (Evening)

6:30 p.m. Deadline for Removal of Names from Ballot

7:00 p.m. Business Session #2

Bible Study

Recognition of Pastors and Rostered Leaders New to Synod

Report of Credentials Committee

Report of Elections Committee

Spiritual Preparation

Second Ballot for Election of Bishop

Report of Vice President

Report of Secretary: Action of 2015 Minutes

Report of Treasurer

Report of Reference and Counsel Committee

Report of Elections Committee: Second Ballot for Bishop

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Friday, June 3, 2016

7:00 a.m. Breakfast (hotels or out)

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (PAC)

9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Business Session #3

Report of Credentials Committee

ELCA Representative

“Forward in Faith” Campaign

Stewardship Update

Presentation of 2017 Faith Spending Plan

Report of Nominating Committee (Elections other than Bishop)

Keynote Address: Dave Daubert

11:00 a.m. Worship (PAC)

12:30 p.m. Lunch

Deadline for Budget Amendments

“Forward in Faith” Ambassador’s Lunch

2:00-5:00 p.m. Business Session #4:

Report of Credentials Committee

Spiritual Preparation

Explanation of Group Meeting Procedure

Group Meetings with Nominees for Bishop (at various locations)

Third Ballot for Election of Bishop

Report of Elections Committee

Second Ballot for Elections other than Bishop (if needed)

5:30 p.m. Evening Meal (on your own) – Synod Council Meeting

7:00-9:00 p.m. Business Session #5

Bible Study

Report of Constitution/Bylaws Committee

Presentation by Nominees for Bishop (top 3 plus ties from third ballot)

Report of Credentials Committee

Spiritual Preparation

Fourth Ballot for Election of Bishop

Report of Elections Committee

Recognition of Anniversaries/Retirements

9:00 p.m. Recess

Saturday, June 4, 2016

7:00 a.m. Breakfast (hotels or out)

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (PAC)

9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Business Session #5 (or #6)

Bible Study

Report of Credentials Committee

Spiritual Preparation

Fifth Ballot for Election of Bishop

Report of the Elections Committee

Introduction of Bishop Elect

Bishop's Report

Adoption of the 2017 Faith Spending Plan

Unfinished Business

New Business

Evaluation of 2016 Assembly

11:00 a.m. Closing Wordship

Installation of Synod Officers: Conference Officers; Mission Team Leaders;
Synod Council; Consultation Committee and Committee on Discipline members

Order for the Closing of an Assembly