

# 2022 Northeastern Iowa Synod Assembly WORKSHOPS and MINISTRY EXHIBITS

*Times and locations will be included in the registration information received at the assembly.*

## **A CONGREGATION'S PATH TO CARBON NEUTRALITY**

**Presenter: Jim Fritz, Good Shepherd Lutheran, Decorah**

**Session I & II**

**Luther Hall 201**

Good Shepherd Lutheran has worked to lower their carbon footprint through replacement of aging HVAC systems. This presentation will show the process they used, the equipment that was selected, and future aspirations for a Net Zero use of grid energy.

## **ARE YOU CALLED TO BE A ROSTERED MINISTER IN THE ELCA?**

**Presenter: Rev. Margaret Yackel-Juleen, Candidacy Committee Chair**

**Session I**

**Luther Hall 330**

Do you see in yourself the gifts and call to serve as a rostered minister (deacon or pastor)? Have those around you encouraged you to become a pastor or deacon? Or have you seen gifts for ministry in someone else? Come for conversation about seminary and Candidacy to help with your own discernment, or to learn how to encourage others to explore rostered ministry.

## **ELCA WORLD HUNGER**

**Presenter: Rev. Robin Brown, director of Congregational Generosity, ELCA**

**Sessions I & II**

**Luther Hall 329**

The world around us is in constant change, but ELCA World Hunger continues partnerships in 60+ countries all around the world. Highlights include timely updates and priorities for this ministry in light of Eastern Europe conflict, COVID-19, and climate change. Stories, videos, online information, resources, action items and more will be shared. Expect great Q & A.

## **FAITH, SEXISM, AND JUSTICE: CALL TO ACTION**

**Presenter: Rev. Dr. Kristin J. Wendland, Assistant Professor of Religion, Warburg College Session I & II**

**Whitehouse Business Center (WBC) 214 (Buckmaster)**

In 2019 the ELCA, in churchwide assembly, adopted the social statement "Faith, Sexism, and Justice: A Call to Action." In this workshop we will discuss why the statement was developed, the statement's content and theological framework, and the action that the statement calls us to. Dr. Wendland will share some resources for you to continue the conversation in your own congregation.

## **IOWA NICE? ... SAYS WHO?**

**Presenter: Lisa Nelson, Racial Justice Advocacy Network Member**

**Session I & II**

**Whitehouse Business Center (WBC) 217**

Iowa consistently ranks among the "Worst Places for Black People to Live," yet many of us proudly proclaim we are "Iowa Nice." In this session, we will review the statistics that illustrate these disparities and share resources available to congregations to engage members in faithful conversations centered on racial justice. Participants will be encouraged to share stories of their efforts on behalf of racial justice along with ways the Racial Justice Advocacy Network can support pastors and congregations in this important work.

## **JAZZ, FAITH, AND WORSHIP**

**Presenter: Jon Ailabouni, trumpeter, composer and educator**

**Session II**

**Neumann Auditorium**

From Congo Square in antebellum New Orleans to the music of Duke Ellington, Mary Lou Williams, and John Coltrane, jazz music has a long history of being explicitly tied to worship and spirituality. This workshop will explore how jazz carries meaning through sound and how the music offers a fresh perspective in worship and our faith lives.

## **MISSION GOALS (BUDGET) AND COMPENSATION GUIDELINES FOR 2023**

**Presenters: Gary Lindgren, Synod Treasurer; Jan Glaspie, Synod Administration; and Rev. Randy Baldwin, Compensation Committee Chair**

**Session I**

**Luther Hall 333**

Review and discussion of the Proposed 2023 Mission Goals (Annual Synod Budget) and review and discussion of the salary and benefits for rostered ministers (pastors and deacons) in the Proposed 2023 Minimum Compensation Guidelines. Come with your questions. Gary Lindgren, Jan Glaspie, and Rev. Randy Baldwin.

## **PRAYER STATIONS: BE + LISTEN + RESPOND**

**Presenter: Kristin Sauerbrei, College/Young Adult Ministry Director**

**Session I & II**

**Wartburg Chapel**

Come interact with a variety of prayer stations that will encourage you to take a deep breath, spend time with God, and respond to what He may be doing in your life.

## **SABBATICAL PANEL**

**Presenter: Rev. Steve Brackett, Assistant to the Bishop for Rostered Leadership and Panelists**

**Session II**

**Luther Hall 324**

A sabbatical is one of the most effective ways for a rostered minister and ministry site to develop and maintain a long-term relationship. In that sense, both the rostered minister as well as the congregation(s) benefit from a rostered minister's sabbatical. Come hear a panel discussion on the benefits of offering a sabbatical to pastors and deacons, and how to establish a sabbatical policy.

## **SMART GIVING FOR SENIORS - CREATING YOUR LEGACY**

**Presenter: Mike Klinefelter, regional gift planner, ELCA Foundation**

**Session I & II**

**Luther Hall 326**

Create your legacy and ensure the continuation of God's work in the world for years to come. The ELCA Foundation is here to help you make a gift that benefits the ELCA and its ministries, including your congregation, camp, university, synod, or churchwide ministry, such as ELCA World Hunger, or a favorite social service agency. There are many ways to give a charitable gift, and you can choose a tax-efficient one that is right for you and your family.

## **WELCOMING THE STRANGER – CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES IN RESPONSE TO HUMAN MIGRATION**

**Presenter: Nick Wuertz, Lutheran Services in Iowa**

**Session I & II**

**Luther Hall 327**

Human migration trends are on the rise globally. War and conflict are displacing more and more people each year. Migrants are making Iowa their home and there is a myriad of ways that congregations can live out their call to offer hospitality and welcome the stranger. Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI), a social ministry partner of the NE Iowa Synod of the ELCA, is a leader in the state of Iowa in offering services and opportunities to immigrants resettling in Iowa. LSI will share an update on recent resettlement of Afghans in the state and anticipated needs for the resettlement of Ukrainians and other displaced populations in the state of Iowa in the months and years ahead. Participants are invited to join this session to learn more about what is happening, learn of ways that congregations can use their gifts to join in welcoming newcomers to Iowa communities, and share best-practices amongst session participants.

## **CAMPUS MINISTRY: WHAT THE HECK FOR?**

**Presenters: Robin Kime, Campus Minister, UNI; and**

**Rev. David Glenn-Burns, Director/Campus Minister Wesley Foundation, UNI**

**Session I & II**

**White House Business Center (WBC) 215**

Based in part on teachings from the book *Campus Ministry: Empowering Congregations to Support Students at Colleges and Universities*, by Colleen Hallagan Preuninger, this workshop explores the needs of campus ministry in today's world and why it matters. We're sharing some of our #threehousetyle as we dig into big questions, meaningful conversations, and the importance of walking alongside students as they explore who they are and who they want to be.

# **MINISTRY EXHIBITS**

10:30 am-2:30 pm

**Heritage Ballrooms, second level (attached to the Mensa)**

## **ELCA Campus Ministry**

- ThreeHouse Collaborative, University of Northern Iowa

## **Camps**

- EWALU Camp & Retreat Center
- Riverside Lutheran Bible Camp

## **Northeastern Iowa Synod Networks**

- Care of Creation Network
- Companion Synod-Hungary Network
- Companion Synod-Namibia Network
- Home Life Network
- Lutheran Men in Mission
- Lutheran Services in Iowa