



## La Crosse Area Synod

# 2015 Synod Assembly

Lunda Center, Western Technical College, La Crosse

## AGENDA

*Please attend all sessions. The agenda may be adjusted as needed.*

ANY QUESTIONS? SEEK OUT SOMEONE WITH A "?" ON THEIR  
NAME BADGE OR VOLUNTEERS IN RED VESTS

### FRIDAY, JUNE 12 - Riverside Park, downtown La Crosse

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- 6 pm Walk through park, view displays which embody theme for Synod Assembly
- 7 pm "Lost & Found" concert, band shell in Riverside Park – open to public  
Free will offering collected to offset cost of concert

### SATURDAY, JUNE 13 -

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#### PLENARY SESSION 1 – LUNDA CENTER, WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE

319 7<sup>th</sup> Street North, La Crosse

Parking Ramp entrance off La Crosse St. on 8<sup>th</sup> St.; other campus lots available (no permits needed on weekend)

- 7:15 am **REGISTRATION OPENS:** Lunda Center lobby
- 8:15 am **Worship**  
Preacher – Rev. Libby Howe, Dir. for Evangelical Mission / Asst. to the Bishop  
Offering – *Menu of options to choose from (ELCA World Hunger, "Always Being Made New" – the Campaign for the ELCA, Synod Seminarian Endowment, Lutheran Campus Ministry or Other)*  
Recognition of pastors and congregations with anniversaries  
*(yellow offering envelopes with a variety of options handed out at worship)*
- 9:15 am Plenary 1 convened with prayer  
Adoption of the Agenda and Rules  
Orientation of Voting Members by Parliamentarian – Steve McDougal  
Announcements – Lori Toso/Pr. Libby Howe,  
Assembly Planning Committee co-chairs  
Introductions – Bishop Arends  
Introduction of Synod Council – Synod Vice Pres., Lori Toso
- Report of the Treasurer** – Derek Jackson, Synod Treasurer  
Second Reading of 2016 Budget *(first reading at pre-assembly conference caucuses)*

Break

Report of the Registrar

**Bishop's Report – Rev. Jim Arends**  
(Bishop's Statistical Report printed in assembly book)

**Report of the Nominating Committee – Michael Schnitzius, Synod Secretary**

**Report of the ELCA, Rev. Dr. Stephen Bouman,**  
Executive Director, ELCA Congregational & Synodical Mission

Announcements / song & prayer

12:15 pm      **LUNCH** – Walk across the courtyard to Union Market for lunch  
Name badge is your "ticket" for lunch.

**PLENARY SESSION 2 – LUNDA CENTER, WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE**

1:15 pm      PLENARY 2 convened with song w/ Ray Makeever, assembly musician, and prayer

**Report from ELCA Church Council, Louise Hemstead**  
Region 5 representative, Member of Bethany Lutheran, La Farge

**Elections**

**Keynote Address: Rev. Dr. Stephen Bouman**  
Executive Director, ELCA Congregational & Synodical Mission

**2016 Budget**  
**Salary Guidelines for 2016**

**Reference & Counsel – Resolutions**

3:40 pm      Announcements – Song & Prayer  
Break – reconvene in **Plenary 3** at specific location given to you for "Training for One-on-One Conversations"

**PLENARY SESSION 3 – LUNDA CENTER / UNION MARKET / BUSINESS TECHNICAL CENTER**

3:50 pm      "Training for One-on-One Conversations"  
*(see directions above under 3:40 pm Announcements)*  
Following training session, take 15 min. break and proceed directly to Lunda Center for Banquet

6 pm      **BANQUET – Celebrating Synod Surpassing Malaria Campaign Goal**  
Lunda Center – same site as plenary sessions

7:15 pm      **Worship**

Preacher – Rev. Dr. Stephen Bouman  
Executive Director, ELCA Congregational & Synodical Mission  
Offering – Synod General Fund  
*(blue offering envelopes handed out at worship)*

## **SUNDAY, JUNE 14 – Lunda Center, WTC**

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- 8:30 am                      **Bible Focus** – Rev. Dr. Stephen Bouman  
                                    Exec. Dir. of ELCA Congregational and Synodical Mission
- 9:15 am                      **1<sup>st</sup> Workshop Session**  
                                    See workshop list for session descriptions and locations.  
                                    *(each session 45-50 min. long)*
- 10:20 am                    **2<sup>nd</sup> Workshop Session**  
                                    See workshop list for session descriptions and locations.
- 11:30 am                    **Sending Worship** – Lunda Center  
                                    Preacher – Rev. Jim Arends, Bishop  
                                    Offering – Designation per Assembly Vote  
                                    *(green offering envelopes handed out at worship)*