

2026 Synod Assembly Agenda

Friday May 15, 2026

8:00a Registration opens

9:30a Opening Worship with Installation of the Bishop's Associates

11:00a Break (*Chaplain: Deacon Michelle Mote*)

11:30a **SESSION 1**

- Assembly Opening
- Introduce theme: "How Can We Keep From Singing?" (Ephesians 5:19)
- Recognize staff and guests
- Recognize Retirements and Newly-called: Pastor Cassandra Nagle
- Intro to Resolution: World Council of Churches' Ecumenical Decade of Climate Change Actions

12:30p Lunch & Learn (*Chaplain: Pastor John Perez*)

1:30p **SESSION 2**

- Elections
- Compensation Guidelines Overview: Pastor Cassandra Nagle
- Introduce Synod Council: Kathy Patrick
- Bishop's Report: Connection, Communication, Compassion
- Churchwide Organization Report: Rachel Wind
- Companion Synods
- Report from the Mission Table: Pastor Jason Thomas

3:00p Break

3:30p **SESSION 3**

- Treasure's Report
- Staff Report: Deacon Aimee Elles, Bishop's Associable for Candidacy & Education
- Campus Ministry
- St. James Santiago, Principe de Paz

5:00p Games and fellowship (hosted by St. Martin's)

6:00p Dinner on your own

Saturday, May 16, 2026

9:00a **SESSION 4**

- Bible Study: Rachel Wind, ELCA Executive for Development
- Lutherhill Board Meeting
- Dr Mitri Rehab, Bright Stars of Bethlehem
- Staff Report: Pastor Cassandra Nagle, Bishop's Associate for Community & Call Process

10:30a Brunch & Learn

11:30a **SESSION 5**

- Bible Study: Rev Lynn Hargrove, General Presbyter, New Covenant Presbytery
- Vote: Compensation Guidelines
- Resolution: World Council of Churches' Ecumenical Decade of Climate Change Actions

12:30p **SESSION 6**

- San Jose Obrero
- Vote: Budget
- Installation of Synod Council
- Assembly 2027 Reveal
- Liturgy: Closing of an Assembly

1:30p Assembly adjourns