

Report of Committee on Agenda and Program
2023 SOUTH CAROLINA SYNOD – ELCA ASSEMBLY
June 8-10, 2023

The Committee on Agenda and Program recommends:

1. That nominations from the floor of candidates for any elections held at this 2023 Assembly be accompanied by the requested biographical data on the official form provided for that purpose;
2. That the Committee of Reference and Counsel receive no motions or resolutions after ***Thursday, June 8, 2023 at 5:30 pm;***
3. That the Bar of the Synod be designated as the registered voting members participating in this Assembly;
4. That the Bishop, as presiding officer, be given authority to call for items on the agenda in the order deemed appropriate, primarily for the purpose of time management, and specifically with regard to balloting, resolutions and special recognitions during the Assembly;
5. That the proposed agenda be a guide for the 2023 Assembly of the South Carolina Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Respectfully submitted,
Wendy Davidson

2023 SC Synod Assembly Committees & Volunteers

Agenda and Program Committee

Wendy Davidson, Assembly Manager
Deacon Sarah Bowers, Creative Assistant

Registration

Wendy Davidson, Assembly Manager
Deacon Sarah Bowers, Creative Assistant
Neal Fischer, Director of Communications
Katherine Davidson
Kelley Mintz

Worship & Music Leadership Team

The Rev. Michael Price, Chaplain
Mr. David Turner, Music Director,
Musician
The Rev. Linda Gragg, Necrologist
The Rev. Martin Lopez Vega, Spanish
Language Translator

Houseband
Pastor Chris Girardeau
Pastor Chris Shealy
Pastor Jesse Canniff-Kuhn
Deacon Lexanne Graves

Communications & A/V Technology

Neal Fischer, Director of
Communications
Kelley Mintz, Bulletin of Reports
Celie Addy, Editor
The Rev. Michele Fischer, Writer
The Rev. Christopher Girardeau, Writer
The Rev. Lisa Isenhower, Writer
The Rev. Greg Brown, Writer

The Rev. Jane Mitcham, Writer
George Cartledge, Photographer
Deacon Katie Justice, Photographer
The Rev. Matthew Titus, Social Media
Coordinator
Lumi Global
Encore

South Carolina Synod Council

Bishop Ginny Aebischer
Deacon Lexanne Graves
The Rev. Ozzie Herlong
Mr. Raymond Hendrix
Mary Katherine King
The Rev. Rachel Hoffman
Kathy Riffin
The Rev. Linda Gragg
Jeffrey Stringer
Deacon Deborah Poole
LaTynia Taylor
Robert Epting
LaVone Griffin

Cheryl Smith
Cindy Davis
Sheila Caughman
William Newmyer
Daniel Crofts
The Rev. Josh Kestner
Becky Koch
The Rev. Bobby Morris
Tex Davis
Virginia Herlong
Ben Bernstein
Deacon Katie Justice
Gracie Bellah

Nominating Committee

Kevin Wicker, Chair
Deacon Sandra Holland
Mary Maercklein
Deacon Katie Holland
The Rev. Carl Taylor

Ashley Shealy
The Rev. Jason Lee
Ken Heckel
Lauren Rawls

Von Metts
The Rev. Christopher
Girardeau
Robert Epting

Conduct of Elections Committee

The Rev. Rachel Hoffman, Chair
The Rev. Mike Watson
Ms. Jenny Spearen
Mrs. Charlene Fink
The Rev. Heather Apel
The Rev. Adam Carnell

Mr. Zachary Lindler
Mr. Ben Bullock
The Rev. Megan Lineberger
Mr. David Lucas
Mrs. Karen Lucas
Mrs. Elsa Hope

Committee of Reference and Counsel

Mrs. Linda Shealy, Chair
The Rev. Hank Moody, Parliamentarian
The Rev. Ginny Aebischer, Bishop
Dr. Cheryl Ingram-Smith
Deacon Ashlyn Cox

The Rev. Christina Johnson
The Rev. Gregg Hoffman
Mr. Robert Epting
The Rev. Fred Klinker

South Carolina Synod Assembly Cotton Patch Gospel Storytellers

Cast

Mrs. Janet Boatwright
Mr. Jim Boatwright
Ms. Dotti Harbaugh
Mr. Bill Newmyer
Mrs. Martie Newmyer
Ms. Joanne Shrigley
Mrs. Judy Urso

Instrumentalists

The Rev. Chris Girardeau
The Rev. Michael Price
The Rev. Jason Schaffer

Accompanist

Ms. Lois McLeod

We deeply appreciate everyone's assistance to make this Assembly possible. Please forgive us for any names that were inadvertently left off this list.

Thursday, June 8, 2023

Pre-Assembly

8:00 AM Load In

11:00 Staff Meal

Noon Display Table Check In and Set Up

1:00 General Check In Opens

1:00 Light Check with Bishop

1:30 Staff Meeting

2:00-3:00 Committee - Reference and Counsel (by invitation, as needed)
Committee - Conduct of Elections (by invitation)

2:30-3:00 Orientation for Voting Members

Session 1 – 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Gathering Time

Order for Opening of Assembly

Welcome and Announcements

Introduce Voting Procedure

Organization of Assembly

Reference and Counsel Introduction of Advisory Members and Special Guests

Report of Synod Council (Part 1) Procedural Matters Affecting this Assembly

***Nominating Committee Report**

** Nominations from the floor of this Assembly must include a completed biographical information form. This form is available at the Secretary's desk. Please see Secretary Ozzie Herlong. We ask anyone bringing a nomination from the floor complete this form and turn in to Secretary Herlong. He will need to receive this completed form by no later than 5:30 PM at the close of the first session.*

Cotton Patch Gospel Storytelling

Keynote 1 – Rev. Chris Christopher

Report of Synod Council (Part 2) Proposed Budget and Treasurer's Report & 2024 Proposed Compensation Guidelines for Rostered Ministers

Ministry Story – SCLRC

New to Synod Introduction

Ministry Story – Lifeline Fund

Announcements

Prayer

Travel Bags and Dismissal for Worship

Dinner on Your Own

Young Adult Pizza Run following Worship

Session 2 – 9:15 AM *-1:30 PM

**We have a later start to allow for participation in the SCLMM Breakfast at St Paul's*

Gathering Time

Opening Prayer

Ministry Story - SCLMM

Report of Reference and Counsel 1

Ministry Story – Campus Ministry

Prayer of Thanks

Cotton Patch Gospel Storytelling

Keynote 2 – Rev Kara Stewart

Ministry Story – Global Missions (Tanzania)

Prayer of Thanks

Break

Report of Synod Council (Part 3) Proposed Amendments, Proposed Amendments to Recommended Provisions, South Carolina Synod Constitution and Report of the Secretary Approval of 2022 Minutes of the South Carolina Synod Assembly

Report of Registration

Prayer for Election

General Elections Ballot 1 Majority needed to elect

Ministry Story – NovusWay
Prayer of Thanks
Camp Song/Stretch
Report of Bishop
50th Anniversary of Ordination Slides
Announcements
Prayer for Lunch
Lunch with Celebration for 50th Anniversary of Ordination

Session 3 – 1:45 PM - 5:00 PM

Gathering Time
Opening Prayer
Ministry Story - LTSS
Lutheran Disaster Response Coordinators
Ministry Story – Tom Cassem
Prayer of Thanks
Report of Registration (if needed)
Prayer for Elections (if needed)
General Elections Ballot 2 (if needed)
Ministry Story – ELCA Foundation
Report from VP
Ministry Story – Newberry
Prayer of Thanks
Report from ELCA Representative
Report of Registration (if needed)
Prayer for Elections (if needed)
General Elections Ballot 3 (if needed)
Break with Snacks
Report of Synod Council (Part 4) Report on Resolutions
Ministry Story – WELCA
Prayer of Thanks
Cotton Patch Gospel Storytelling
Keynote 3 – Rev James Henricks
Ministry Story – Lutheran Homes
Announcements

Prayer
Dinner
Worship with Necrology Report
Social with Dessert Bar and Beer and Hymns

Session 4 – 8:30 AM- Noon

Gathering Time
Opening Prayer
Ministry Story – LCY
Cotton Patch Gospel Storytelling
Keynote 4 – Rev Mike Shackelford
Ministry Story – Lutheran Services Carolinas
Report of Reference and Counsel 2 (if needed)
Report of DEM (and Mission Support Video)
Break
Ministry Story – Candidacy
Prayer of Thanks
Report of Reference and Counsel 3 (if needed)
Report of Synod Council (Part 5) Report of the Secretary, Approval of 2024
Compensation Guidelines for Rostered Ministers, Adoption of 2024-25
Budget
Unfinished Business
Report of Reference and Counsel (Final Resolutions)
Installation of Synod Council
Announcements
Closing of Assembly

