

Mission Moments

Sharing ways that Mission Support dollars from congregations are at work in the Western Iowa Synod and through our ELCA churchwide ministries. Thank you for caring and sharing. For Christ's mission has a church.

Call Process in the ELCA

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America has opened a new web site to support everyone involved in call process work: rostered leaders, congregations, church-related organizations and synods. It is found at www.elca.org/call. The new forms that were created for call process work now interact with a searchable churchwide database, allowing ministry sites to publish their vacancy and allowing rostered leaders to have their mobility information readily accessible to synod bishops. Visit the site and learn how it functions by reading the online guide found under the menu option, "Using this Site."

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ELCA National Youth Gathering, July 22-26, New Orleans

Are you ready to serve? Based on Philippians 2:1-8, the 2009 ELCA Youth Gathering looked and felt like a servant school. At the center of the Gathering program was a deepening of our awareness of God's call to servanthood, and a deepening of the basic Christian practices by which we live our baptismal calling to servanthood throughout life. Visit www.elca.org/youthgathering to learn more about how 37,000 youth and adults attending the Youth Gathering served God with compassion, energy, and excitement! Mission Support dollars make this possible. God's Work. Our Hands.



Academy for Administration

The Western Iowa Synod Academy for Administration is designed to provide congregation leaders (or those anticipating leadership roles) training in the skills and resources they need to make a difference in their congregations. Possible course offerings include goal setting, communication, effective church council meetings, disaster planning, constitutions, conflict management, treasurer training, and mutual ministry. Mark your calendars — the next Academy for Administration will be February 13, 2010!

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