Duties of ELCA Churchwide Assembly – Synod Voting Members

Link to ELCA Website for the 2022 Churchwide Assembly: Churchwide Assembly - Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (elca.org)

The ELCA Churchwide Assembly, the primary decision-making body of the church, is a process of communal spiritual discernment. When the ELCA Churchwide Assembly convenes, its voting members meet with confidence in God’s grace around word and water, wine and bread, to carry on their work on behalf of the entire church.

Logistical Notes:

- If elected, you will be part of a 9-person Synod team at the assembly – led by Bishop Craig Satterlee and Synod Vice President Sandy Schlesinger
- Travel, hotel, and meal expenses are covered by the ELCA/Synod

Summary of Duties / Areas of Focus for Voting Members:

- Hear reports and review the work of churchwide officers, leaders and units
- Receive and consider proposals from synod assemblies
- Elect officers, board members and other leaders as specified by the constitution or bylaws
- Establish ELCA churchwide policy
- Worship together
- Adopt a budget for the churchwide organization
- Conduct other business related to the ELCA churchwide organization