

## North/West Lower Michigan Synod ELCA

Proclaiming Christ and prayerfully participating in Jesus' own work of reconciling the world to God's very self!



We are the North/West Lower Michigan Synod. As one of the 65 synods of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, we work to support the congregations and pastors across our geographic region.

In supporting congregations, the Synod provides resources for candidates for rostered leadership, mission, outreach, renewal, youth, faith formation, outdoor ministry, social ministry, worship, public engagement, global mission, and much more.

As part of the North/West Lower Michigan Synod, your congregation is part of nearly 3.3 million people in more than 8,900 worshipping communities across the 50 states and in the Caribbean region that form the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. You are also part of the Lutheran World Federation, which has 145 national church bodies in 72 countries with over 72 million members. Together we are the Church and many expressions of it.

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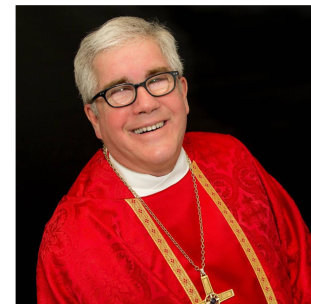
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### The Rev. Craig Alan Satterlee, Ph.D., Bishop

Ordained in 1987, Bishop Satterlee has served congregations in Upstate New York and Michigan. Prior to being elected Bishop, he served as Professor of Homiletics (preaching) at the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, Dean of the ACTS Doctor of Ministry in Preaching Program and adjunct professor in the Department of Theology at The University of Notre Dame. Learn more at <https://craigasatterlee.com>.



### The Rev. Chrissy Bright, Assistant to the Bishop

Ordained in 2009, Pastor Bright has long been a part of our synod serving congregations and as a conference dean. She also volunteers with a local elementary school and is part of the local Habitat for Humanity Board. Pastor Bright is a graduate of Michigan State University and Trinity Lutheran Seminary. Her primary responsibilities are the candidacy process, first call theological education, and assisting with the call process.



### The Rev. David E. Sprang, Assistant to the Bishop and Director for Evangelical Mission

Ordained in 1980, Pastor Sprang has served congregations in Michigan and Ohio, and as part of Lutheran Outdoor Ministries in Ohio. He is a graduate of Capital University and Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Columbus. Pastor Sprang is called by the ELCA to serve in our synod with a focus on fostering new worshipping communities, congregational renewal, and mission support. In addition, he works with disaster response, synod finances, global mission, outdoor ministry, and leadership

