



Florida-Bahamas Synod

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Florida-Bahamas Synod:

The Florida-Bahamas Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America shall meet on **June 5-7, 2020**, at the Caribe Royale in Kissimmee, Florida. The Synod Assembly is the highest legislative authority of the Synod. The Assembly shall convene at 1:00 p.m. on June 5 for the purpose of:

- (a) Conducting the election of synod council members and other offices as described in detail in a letter from the chair of the Nominations Committee, a copy of which can be found on our website: www.fbsynod.com.
- (b) adopting the synod's ministry spending plans,
- (c) receiving and acting upon reports from ministry areas and agencies of the synod, and
- (d) conducting other business as the synod council or assembly may deem necessary.

The 2020 Synod Assembly is a 'workshop assembly' which will provide opportunities for learning, sharing, worship and fellowship. The theme is "Open Channel," based on Acts 11:17, "Who am I to hinder the work of God?"

Please note that all congregations may elect one Youth Voting Member between the ages of 15 and 22 in addition to the number of lay voting members as authorized by the constitution. In support of greater participation by youth, registration fees for youth voting members are always at a reduced rate.

The following pertinent assembly information will be available online at www.fbsynod.com under the Events tab:

1. Online Assembly and Hotel Registration Information
2. Proposed Agenda
3. Travel Equalization Guidelines
4. Nomination Form ♦ Biographical Information

We are pleased to share that childcare will be provided during Assembly sessions for children aged infant to Pre-K. A Day Camp will be offered for children who have completed K through 5th grade and also one for those who have completed grades 6-8, free of charge, but all children must be registered in advance.

Please note:

- **ONLINE REGISTRATION OPENS: March 15, 2020.**
- **ONLINE REGISTRATION DEADLINE: May 1, 2020.**

Please join me in prayer for all those who are at work preparing for this important Synod Assembly. We look forward to sharing this opportunity to provide oversight of our mission and ministries, for learning, and for worshipping together.

In Christ's Service,

Ken Blyth

Rev Dr Ken Blyth, Secretary
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