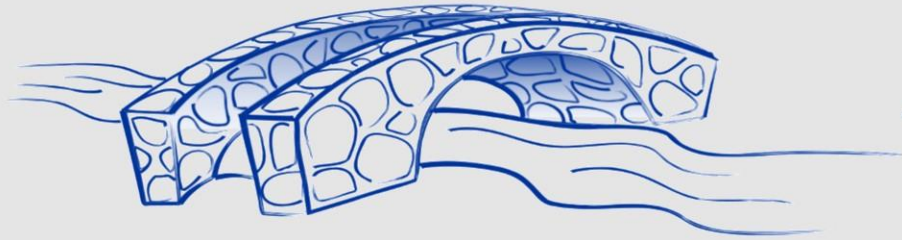


# Building Bridges Racism, Diversity, and Justice

2018 Arkansas-Oklahoma Synod Assembly

May 4 - 6, 2018



ARKANSAS-OKLAHOMA SYNOD  
Boldly Sharing God's Grace with Everyone!

## Arkansas-Oklahoma Synod 31st Annual Synod Assembly 4/23/2018 Lutheran Ministry Center, Tulsa, OK

*"For Christ is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us." Ephesians 2:14*

### **Friday, May 4, 2018**

12:00 noon – 2:00 PM	Synod Assembly Registration	Office Hall
12:00 PM	Displays Open	1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Hallways
1:00 PM	Reference and Counsel Committee Orientation Elections Committee Orientation	Conference Room Downstairs Conference Room

### **Locations during the assembly:**

**Business and presentations - Jordan Hall.**

**Worship - Ascension Chapel**

**Meals - Tent**

### **Assembly Session 1**

2:00-2:45 PM	Opening of the Assembly
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Opening Greeting</li><li>• Order for the Opening of the Assembly</li><li>• Instructions to the Assembly</li><li>• Registration and Credentials Report</li><li>• Adoption of the <i>Special Rules of Order</i> for this Assembly</li><li>• Adoption of the Agenda</li><li>• Nominations, Elections and Resolutions Information</li><li>• Introductions</li><li>• Housekeeping Notes</li></ul>

2:45-3:15 PM	Introduction to the Theme	Bishop Mike Girlinghouse
3:15-3:30 PM	Break	
3:45-4:00 PM	Grace Note	Heather Pratt
4:00-5:00 PM	Keynote:	Ms. Judith Roberts
5:00-5:25 PM	Living God's Abundance	Peter Kumpe
	Partners in Mission	
5:25-5:30 PM	Announcements	
	Table Prayer	Lisa Milzarek Cluster 5 Coordinator
5:30-7:00 PM	Dinner	Tent

### **Assembly Session 2**

6:30-7:00 PM	Worship Rehearsal	Ascension Chapel
7:15 PM	Celebration Worship	Ascension Chapel
	Presiding: Pastor Liz Albertson Preaching: Bishop Mike Girlinghouse Music Leadership: Catherine Ratliff	
	Offering:	Blast off for Books Into the Light
8:30 PM	LYO Lock-in begins	Fellowship Lutheran Church

### **Saturday, May 5, 2018**

Breakfast on your own

7:30 AM	Registration Continues
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**NOTE: All nominations from the floor and all "late" resolutions must be submitted in writing to Secretary Holly Lantagne by 9:00 AM. See Guidebook for directions.**

### **Assembly Session 3**

8:00-8:15 AM	Morning Prayer Leader: Pastor Rob Martin	Jordan Hall
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8:15-9:45 AM	Business Session	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Registration and Credentials Report</li> <li>• ELCA Churchwide Report</li> <li>• Report of the Director of Evangelical Mission and Assistant to the Bishop for Youth and Family Ministry</li> <li>• Report of the Bishop</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: right;">Judith Roberts</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Rev. Liz Albertson</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Bishop Mike Girlinghouse</p>
9:00 AM	LYO Gathering	Second Floor Conference Room
9:45 – 10:00 AM	Break	
10:00-10:15 AM	Grace Note	Ava Fisher
10:15-11:15 AM	Keynote:	Mr. D’Andre Jones
11:15-11:35 AM	Treasurer’s Report	Kent Butcher, Treasurer
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report on Synod Mission Budget FYE2018 (2017)</li> <li>• Revised Synod Mission Budget FYE2019 (2018)</li> <li>• Proposed Synod Mission Budget FYE2020 (2019)</li> </ul>	
11:35 AM -12:00 PM	Vice President Candidate Speeches	
	Elections – First Ballot	
	Announcements	
	Table Prayer	Rev. Lynne O’Shea Discipleship Chair
12:00-1:30 PM	Lunch	Tent

**Assembly Session 4**

1:30-2:30 PM	Workshops I	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Field Trip to John Hope Franklin Park and Reconciliation Center (Continues during Workshops II)</li> <li>• Movie: <i>The Color of Fear</i> (continues during Workshops II)</li> <li>• “Building Bridges” (continues during Workshops II)</li> <li>• Conversations w/ ELCA Rep. Judith Roberts</li> <li>• Conversations w/ D’Andre Jones</li> <li>• Experiential Learning</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: right;">Horace Pratt</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Heather Pratt</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Judith Roberts</p> <p style="text-align: right;">D’Andre Jones</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Sally Houck/Jenny Pratt</p>

2:30-2:45 PM	Break	
2:45-3:45 PM	Workshops II	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Field Trip to John Hope Franklin Park and Reconciliation Center (continues from Workshops I)</li> <li>• Movie: <i>The Color of Fear</i> (continues from Workshops I)</li> <li>• “Building Bridges” (continues from Workshops I)</li> </ul>	Heather Pratt
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conversations w/ ELCA Rep. Judith Roberts</li> <li>• Conversations w/ D’Andre Jones</li> <li>• Unpacking the Knapsack</li> </ul>	Judith Roberts D’Andre Jones Sally Houck/Jenny Pratt
3:45-4:00 PM	Break	
4:00-4:30 PM	Feedback from Workshops – Open Sharing	Jordan Hall
4:30-6:15 PM	Business Session	
	LYO Presentation	
	Elections – Second Ballot	
	Reports	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ELCA Church Council Report</li> <li>• Global Missions</li> <li>• Partners in Mission</li> </ul>	
	Resolutions	
	Table Prayer	LYO
6:15-6:30 PM	Visit Displays	
6:30-8:30 PM	BBQ	Tent

**Sunday, May 6, 2018**

Breakfast on your own.

**Assembly Session 5**  
Ascension Chapel

8:15-8:45 AM	Worship Rehearsal	Ascension Chapel
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9:00-10:15 AM	Sunday Eucharist	Ascension Chapel
	Presiding: Pastor Alvaro Nova Ochoa Preaching: Judith Roberts Music Leadership: Eileen Miller  Offering:	Blast Off For Books Into the Light
10:15-10:30 AM	Break	
	<b>Assembly Session 6</b> Jordan Hall	
10:30-10:45 AM	Grace Note	Hannah DiPasquale
10:45-11:45 AM	Keynote	Dr. Cyndi Nance
11:45-12:00 PM	Announcements	
	Table Prayer	Pat Garling Cluster 1 Coordinator
12:00-1:30 PM	Lunch	Tent
	<b>Assembly Session 6</b> Jordan Hall	
1:30-2:45 PM	Business Session	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reports</li> <li>• Resolutions</li> </ul>	
	Unfinished Business	
2:45-3:00 PM	Order for the Closing of the Assembly	
Following Assembly	Synod Council Meeting	Second Floor Conference Room

**Go in peace! Remember the poor!**  
**Share God's Grace with everyone!**  
**Thanks be to God!**

**SYNOD ASSEMBLY 2019:**

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**See YOU there!**