

THE ASSEMBLY: “Dios está aquí. God is Here.”

Through sharing the Good News of God’s presence, we will worship God, learn together and pray for the future of our ministries.

What to Bring

- Internet capable mobile device (smart phone or tablet) is required for voting
- Mobile device, computer etc for accessing documents, websites
- Water bottle
- Bible & journal
- Comfortable clothing for warm weather and walking shoes

Parking

- Parking is \$8/day upon arrival at the Embassy Suites for both visitors and registered guests at the hotel

Scripture Readings

Opening Bible Study & Worship

- Exodus 3:1–15 (Guiding story for the Assembly)
- Matthew 18:19-20
- Psalm 139:1-18

Friday Morning Prayer (Campus Ministry)

- 1 Kings 19:9b–14

Saturday Morning Prayer (Pastor Kate Davidson, outdoors with hot air balloon)

- Psalm 104:1-4
- John 3:5–8

Transportation

Transporation is available to worship Thursday night and the ABQ Adventures on Friday night.

ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE

Thursday, May 22

Time	Event
11:00 a.m.	Exhibit set up begins
12:00 p.m.	Registration Opens—Embassy Suites, Convention Center Entrance
	Voter Help Desk Open
2:00 p.m.	Assembly is Convened in the Assembly Hall (Sandia Ballroom)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening of Assembly <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Land Acknowledgement ◦ Bishop's Opening Reflections • Opening Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Credentials Report, Rules of Procedure, and Program ◦ Reference and Counsel – Memorials & Resolutions ◦ Introductions ◦ Nominations for Committees • <u>Dave Jarvis</u> (Executive Director of Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp) Retirement Blessing • Synod Council Officer Reports
4:15 p.m.	Break
4:30 p.m.	Workshop 1 <i>*See Workshop Descriptions or HERE</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multicultural Ministries and Communities: Reflecting <i>the Richness and Unity of the Body of Christ</i> (Sierra I) • Synod Budget Overview (Sierra II) • Equipping Lay Leaders for Ministry, with, without, or alongside a rostered leader (Sierra III) • At a Crossroads (Ocotillo II)
5:30 p.m.	Hotel Cocktail hour (One complimentary drink card per hotel guest, valid for two drinks daily)
5:45 p.m.	Dinner (Sandia Ballroom)
7:30 p.m.	Opening Worship at <u>St. Paul's Lutheran Church</u> (offsite)

	1100 Indian School Rd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87102 (<i>limited transportation available, carpooling is encouraged</i>)
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Friday, May 23

Time	Event
6:00–9:00 a.m.	Breakfast (complimentary to hotel guests in atrium)
8:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer - Campus Ministry (Sandia Ballroom)
8:50 a.m.	Plenary 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bishop's Report & Vice President's Report • Resolutions & Memorials • Voting • Holy Stories featuring Emmy Baylis (Youth Synod Council Rep/Churchwide Rep), Pastor Rhonda Newby–Torres and Luis De Vargas (NM Campus Ministry, Luther House)
11:00 a.m.	Break (Sponsored by Clergy Financial Resources)
11:15 a.m.	Workshop 2 <i>*See Workshop Descriptions or HERE</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commission for Renewing the Lutheran Church (Sierra I) • 2025–2026 Synod Budget Overview (Sierra II) • Congregational Ministry Team (Sierra III) • Pastoral Leadership Transitions (Ocotillo II)
12:00 p.m.	Lunch <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interest Lunches <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Madagascar Companion Synod Update (Sierra I) ◦ World Hunger Network (Sierra II) ◦ Rocky Mountain Synod Women's Organization (RMSWO) (Sierra III) ◦ Veteran Servant Corps Project (Ocotillo II) ◦ Lutheran Center Property Discussion (Sandia Ballroom)
1:30 p.m.	Plenary 3 (Sandia Ballroom) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Announcements • Election Report/Follow–up Election • Consideration of Budget, Questions, and then Budget Vote
2:30 p.m.	My Father's House , a documentary that tells the story of how a community center that celebrates diversity came to be. <i>Pastor Marcel Narucki, Co-Founder & Director of Multi-Faith & Community Affairs and Village Exchange Center</i>
3:30 p.m.	Break
3:45 p.m.	RMS Mission and Vision (Bp Meghan) (Sandia Ballroom)
4:45 p.m.	Churchwide report with Mary Campbell, Program Director AMMPARO
5:30 p.m.	Hotel Cocktail hour (<i>One complimentary drink card per hotel guest, valid for two drinks daily</i>)

5:45 p.m.	Dinner (Sandia Ballroom) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ruth Hoffman, Council VP Farewell and thank you for Ruth's years of service in the Synod. Rostered Leader Anniversary Celebration A word from Lutheran Family Services Rocky Mountains (LFSRM) President & CEO, James Horan
7:00 p.m.	<p>Choose Your ABQ Adventure (off-site) <i>(Transportation available)</i></p> <p><i>*Sign-up HERE</i> <i>*Each activity has a capacity limit, so early selection is encouraged to help hosts plan.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beer & Hymns (St. Luke Lutheran Church) Sip & Paint (All Saints Lutheran Church) Labyrinth Presentation & Experience (St. Paul's Lutheran Church) Campus Ministry—Open house at the Luther House Evening Bosque Stroll Explore Albuquerque (on your own)

Saturday, May 24

Time	Event
7:00–10:30 a.m.	Breakfast (complimentary to hotel guests in atrium)
7:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer (Outside hotel), led by Pastor Kate Davidson of Lord of the Mountains in Dillon, CO.
9:30 a.m.	Plenary 4 (Sandia Ballroom) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extended Voting time, if needed. God is here! Guided takeaways What three areas will you focus on for congregational health, leadership, and outreach? How can Synod assist in these efforts?
11:00 a.m.	Closing Worship & Sending

ASSEMBLY DETAILS

Chaplaincy

- Pastor Barbara Berry Bailey is the Assembly's Chaplain.
- **Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Table Talks** over mealtimes with Pastor BBB can be scheduled at the Registration desk.
- The Chapel is located in the Pinon Room for quiet time, contemplation and prayer.

Offerings



- Assembly Offerings will benefit Betela Seminary, Campus Ministry and Camping Ministries
- Cash, check, and **online donations** are all welcome—Thank you for your generosity!
- Checks should be made payable to “Rocky Mountain Synod” Scan the QR, select “Synod Assembly Offering” from the Tithely menu and enter your information.
- Never scanned a QR code? Aim your phone camera at the code and tap on the link that appears on your screen.