

Strengthen Congregations
2018 Synod Assembly and Theological Conference
June 1-3, Great Falls, Montana

FINAL SCHEDULE and AGENDA

Thursday, May 31

- 3:30 – 6 p.m. Boundaries Workshop (New Hope)
- 6:00 p.m. Executive Committee dinner and meeting

Friday, June 1, 2018

- 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 Boundaries Workshop
- 9:00 a.m. - noon Synod Council (American)
- 1:00 to 2:30 Budget Hearing (Britain)
- 1:00 to 2:30 Hearing on Justice for Women Social Statement (Canadian)
- 1:00 to 4:00 Registration

All Assembly Plenaries and Worship will be held in the Main Hall of the Heritage Inn

- 2:45 p.m. Brief Orientation for Voting Members
- 3:00 p.m. Opening of the Assembly, Bishop Jessica Crist
- Plenary I**
- Adopt Agenda
- Rules of Assembly
- Introductions
- Credentials Report
- Secretary's Report
- Treasurer's Report and Presentation of the 2019 Budget
- Report of the Churchwide Representative
- Q&A
- Announcements
- Closing Prayer
- 5:00 p.m. Dinner (on your own)
- 7:00 p.m. **Plenary II**
- Credentials Report
- Report of the Nominating Committee
- 1st Ballot
- Bishop's Report
- Report of 1st Ballot
- 8:00 p.m. Opening Eucharist: Native American Liturgical Celebration
- Bishop Crist presiding; Brenda Smith preaching
- Procession of Estimates of Giving

Saturday, June 2

7:00	Buffet breakfast in ABC rooms for voting members
8:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer LPA Recognitions
9:00 a.m.—9:45 a.m.	Keynote I:” Strengthen Congregations: Congregational Vitality” Linda Bobbitt
9:45 a.m.-10 a.m.	Q&A
10 a.m. —10:15 a.m.	Break
10:15 a.m.—11 a.m.	Keynote II: “Strengthen Congregations: Faith Practices” Pr. Brenda Smith
11 a.m.-11:15 a.m.	Q & A
11:15 a.m.	Travel to Synod House for Dedication and Tours
11:45 a.m.	Dedication of Synod House
12:15 p.m	Lunch on your own
2:15p.m.-2:30 p.m.	Hymn Sing and Re-Gather
2:30p.m.—3:30 p.m.	Workshop Session A
3:30 p.m.—3:45 p.m	Break
3:45 p.m.-4:45 p.m.	Workshop Session B
4:45 p.m.	Break
5:00	Reception Pool area – Campus Ministry
6:30 p.m.	Banquet: Steve Nelson playing music Celebrations and Recognitions

Sunday, June 3

7:00	Buffet breakfast in ABC rooms for voting members
8:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer Pr. Kathie Aasheim installation
9:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.	Bible Study with Pr. Mark Gravrock
9:45— 10:30	Plenary III Credentials Report Report of the Elections Committee Budget 2019 vote Other Business Installation of Vice President and Secretary
10:30 Break	Close of Assembly
11:00 a.m.	Closing Eucharist – Bishop Jessica Crist, preaching & presiding Baptism