

Montana Synod Weekly Announcements August 30, 2021

Worship resources for "God's Work. Our Hands." Sunday



Prayers, hymn suggestions and considerations for preaching for use on Sunday, Sept. 12, the ELCA's annual day of service, are available in PDF and Word formats.

<u>Click here to read the full August edition of the ELCA Worship News</u>

LPA Class this fall!

A new class of LPAs will be starting up this fall in Great Falls. If you have a candidate in mind from your congregation, or would like more information, please call the Synod office or email <u>Candi!</u>

Singing Plains, Calling Mountains An Original Liturgy from the MT Synod ELCA Changing Climate Task Force

Now available on the MT Synod Website:

Through our baptisms, God brings us into the divine plan for all of creation. We are equipped by the Spirit, then, to care for others and the world that God made. Whole-hearted, intentional stewardship of God's creation is a serious aspect of what it means to be a follower of Christ, doing God's work with our hands.

-Pr. Julia Seymour, Pastor at Big Timber Lutheran Church and member of the MT Synod Changing Climate Task Force The Changing Climate Task Force is offering a free liturgy that aims to connect people with their natural surroundings and to cherish and care for those places. The series uses lectionary selections to guide users through four weekly themes.

This is a fully built liturgy with sermon guidance, new songs and new prayers that can easily be used during the six-week cycle on bread at the end of August. The liturgy is constructed so that all or parts of it can be adopted by congregations during any other time of the year as well. The full liturgy is a four-week series and includes written introductions to each text to ground them in the broader context of the liturgy.

Worship settings follow the form of the ELW. Pastor Julia Seymour has written original pieces for the liturgy that will serve and accompany the lectionary selections and Jacob Kvale of Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp has written original service music. The selections include the Kyrie, Hymn of Praise, Holy Holy, and Lamb of God. The music is written to be accessible in a broad range of settings and includes piano accompaniment and guitar chords. Melodies are simple, repetitive, and easy to learn. These pieces will be consistent across all four weeks of the liturgy in order to build familiarity and comfort.

This free resource is available on the <u>synod website</u> go to the synod home page and Click on the "Changing Climate Task Force Website."





Region 1 Disaster Preparedness and Response Evangelical Lutheran Church in America GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS.

REGISTER TODAY. ALL ARE WELCOME.

Help your members, neighbors & church be ready for disaster.

Earthquakes, wildfires, floods and heatwaves. Understand what is happening and why.

You are not alone! The ELCA and local and State partners are waiting. Make contact.

Climate Change and related disasters are here to stay. Be Christ for others in these times.

After of year of development our ELCA Region 1

LUTHERAN **NETWORK**

is now ready for you. **EGISTER NOW for our** Orientation 6-7:30 PM PT Thursday, Sept 16, 2021. (7 PM MT ❖ 5 PM AK.) Bring your dinner.

Form and invite a team of interested Disaster Preparedness and Response people from your congregation - or come alone and check us out.

All are welcome. All and needed.

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