



Montana Synod

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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News of the Week March 10, 2021

Prayers of the Week

Please remember in your prayers this week:

For the family and friends of Pastor Bob Quam, who died suddenly on Sunday due to natural causes.

For Pastor Donna Putney (Powell WY) whose father died on Sunday morning due to complications from a stroke.

For Pastor Stephanie White's (St. Luke's, Shelby) father who continues to struggle in the hospital, one day on the verge of death the next well enough to walk and whose mom's health is suffering due to the stress.

For Pastors Wenda Fry and Aprille Jordan and their families as their mother had a stroke this weekend and is entering hospice.

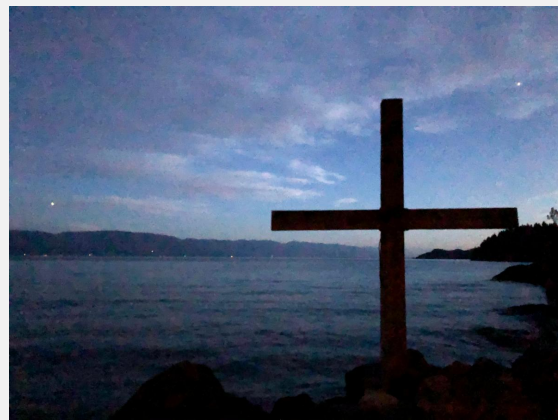
For Pastor Rob Nedbalek (Freedom in Christ) who had a heart attack this weekend and had several stents put in.

From the Montana Synod Prayer Calendar:

Trinity Lutheran Church Hot Springs

Ecumenical Partner, First Presbyterian Church, Hot Springs

Delaware-Maryland Synod



Words from the Bishop: Sadness into Hope



Bishop Laurie Jungling
Montana Synod, ELCA

2021 Montana Synod Assembly Registration "Equipping Ministry for Change"

...Equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ...

Ephesians 4:12

**The 2021 Montana Synod Assembly will be held as a virtual meeting
June 4-5.**

Tutorials will be available to help voting members with participation.

[Click here for the Assembly registration link!](#)

Multiple voting members can be registered at the same time when you click on the form. Please note, there will be no physical registration or physical payment allowed this year. Please insure that each individual voting member has their own unique email address and has the ability to check it regularly.

There will be no visitor registrations this year, the assembly will be streamed on Youtube, so any non-voting individuals can watch there.

Registration will close April 15th.

If you have any questions about the registration process email:
cmccarty@montanasynod.org

Synod Council Spotlight: Robin Matthews



I am Robin Matthews. I live in Helena and am a member of New Life Lutheran Church. I represent the Great Divide Cluster. My husband Steve and I moved to Helena 16 years ago from Columbia, South Carolina. We have lived and been members of several congregations serving on church committees and councils throughout our years due to Steve's Marine Corps career.

I entered the LPA program about the same time I've been serving on the Synod Council. The past 3 years I've been serving on the Executive committee. I've had the pleasure of meeting and working with some wonderful people. The amount of knowledge that I have gained while serving on council is unmeasurable.

Understanding the "business" side of the church helps make us better stewards in our congregations and deepens our faith to better serve our loving Father.

Peter Erickson

Hello. My name is Peter Erickson. I serve as the pastor of Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Columbia Falls, Montana. My first call was to Our Savior's and St. Olaf Lutheran Churches in Chester, Montana. I was ordained in 1998. My wife, Tonja, and I have three daughters.

I am in my first year as a member of the Synod Council. This is a truly unique time as we plan for an online Synod Assembly and seek to support congregations during the pandemic. I am excited to be a part of the continuing process of discerning our synod's mission and purpose while God's world changes. I really enjoy being able to connect with other council members from around our synod. And I look forward to communicating with the Flathead Cluster about the world of the Synod Council.



Save the Date: Retired Pastors Gathering Online April 9th 10am - 11:30am

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