



# East Central Synod of Wisconsin

## Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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### REGISTRATION FOR VOTING MEMBERS AND VISITORS 2015 ASSEMBLY OF THE EAST CENTRAL SYNOD OF WI

**Attention:** May 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> at the KI Convention Center/Hyatt Hotel  
**Registration/Housing/Misc. Assembly Information – Due (Early Bird) April 7<sup>th</sup>.**

The necessary work of the Synod will be conducted over two days, May 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Friday and 8:30 a.m. on Saturday. The Assembly is scheduled to end by 3:00 p.m. on Saturday.

**Spirit Led, Spirit Shaped – A Journey Together** is the theme for this year's assembly. We are honored to have AGAPE featuring David Scherer and Rachel Kurtz as our presenters and music providers. Rev. Greg Villalon will be our churchwide representative during the assembly and will assist in many ways.

The preprint will be emailed and available on our website <http://ecsw.org/assembly/assembly-2015/> 30 days prior to the Assembly. Individual copies should be made for all rostered staff and voting members attending the assembly from your congregation.

#### Voting Machines

All elections and anything requiring a vote will be done with the voting machines that will be distributed at registration. These machines are assigned to you and you are responsible for returning your voting machine at the end of the assembly. Please do not give or allow anyone but you to use this voting machine. You will be charged \$50 for any machine that is not returned.

#### Assembly Offering

The Assembly Offerings collected by the Synod congregations will be distributed 50% to **Congregations (including Renewing Congregations, ELCA New Congregations and Disability Ministries)**. This is part of the *Always Being Made New: The Campaign for the ELCA*. The other 50% will go to the **Bishop's Resource Fund** which assists rostered staff with such needs as individual and family counseling, uncovered medical expenses, and other emergency needs.

#### Pre-Assembly Event

On Thursday night, May 14<sup>th</sup> there will be a pre-assembly event titled "Planting Seeds for Renewal". Pastor Jean DeVoll-Donaldson and . This event is open to all Assembly attendees as well as those not attending the assembly but wanting to participate in this special event. There is an additional charge for this event and you can register on your Assembly registration form or on the separate registration form on line on the ECSW website. A registration form is needed for those not attending the assembly but attending the Pre-Assembly Event. (Copy as needed)

#### **NEW! Friday Night Concert**

Rachel Kurtz and David Scherer (AGAPE) will be in concert Friday night, May 15, beginning at 8:00 pm at the KI Center! This concert is open to the public and is being held in conjunction with the ECSW 2015 synod assembly. This concert is open to everyone whether you attend the assembly or not. Admission will be a free-will offering with all money raised going to benefit Crossways Camping Ministries. If you enjoy great music and an infectious concert atmosphere this needs to be on your calendar!

#### Registration Form

Again this year is the option of registering VOTING MEMBERS and VOTING ROSTERED STAFF on-line through PayPal. Go to <http://ecsw.org/assembly/assembly-2015/>.

#### OR register by snail mail:

##### **Voting Members and Rostered Staff:**

Note the two registration fees: Early bird registration of **\$145 if received by April 7<sup>th</sup>**, and **\$185 between April 8<sup>th</sup> and May 1<sup>st</sup>**. This registration fee is waived for those rostered in specialized ministry (see the registration form for your costs). All meals are to be pre-paid; no meal requests or changes may be made at the Assembly. All registrations and meal requests are due by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Meals are included in the registration fee. You may not opt out of meals.** Forms are also available on-line in a PDF fill-in format at <http://ecsw.org/assembly/assembly-2015/>

**Non-Voting Visitors** (retired rostered, spouses, and visitors) may use the same form under **Visitors & Rostered**

**Retired.** Visitors are to check meal choices and enclose payment for the assembly and meals. Feel free to make additional copies of the registration form.

**Return the Registration Form**, checked appropriately, along with the registration. Registrations for all attendees from your congregation may be included in one mailing (with one check and all the registration forms) or mailed individually with appropriate check and form. The registration fee for voting members is the same for those attending the full Assembly, or any part of it. **Make checks payable to the East Central Synod of Wisconsin.**

### Hotels:

*Hyatt On Main Hotel – 333 Main Street – Follow this link to a special web site for our Assembly participants to request rooms <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/gecsy> or Phone: 888-421-1442.*

Reservations must be made directly with the hotels by May 1<sup>st</sup>. The room rate is \$110 (Double Queen Sites) and \$120 (King Suites), single or double. If you plan to share a room, please indicate your roommate's name when you register. A credit card number is required to confirm your reservation, or send a check to the hotel following your booking. If you are using a tax-exempt status, please supply your church tax exempt number. Verify the check-in and check-out time for your hotel.

### Assembly Registration

Registration on Friday will be from 7:30-9:00 a.m. Friday's sessions begin at 9:00 a.m. and continue until 5:00 p.m. Dinner will be at 6:15 p.m. Saturday's sessions will begin at 8:30 a.m. and conclude by 3:00 p.m.

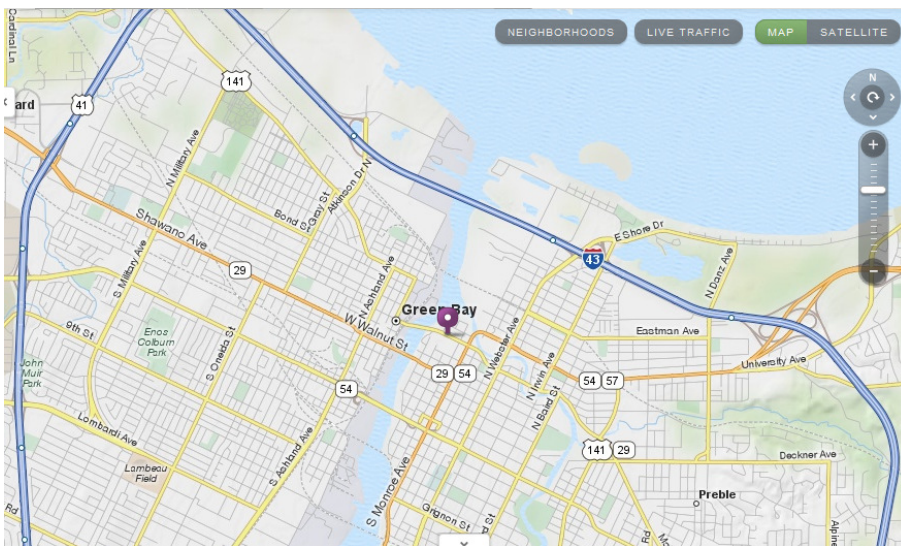
### Parking

Parking is available on the premises for overnight guests and for commuters the public ramp across the street is available for parking.

### Meals

**Meals are included in registration fee this year. You cannot opt out.**

<b>Fri.</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	Plated Lunch
	<b>Dinner</b>	Roasted Chicken, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy or Vegetable Kabob
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>Morning</b>	Light Refreshments. Breakfast is provided by the Hyatt for overnight guests only.
	<b>Lunch</b>	Plated Lunch



If you have special dietary needs, please specify on the registration form.

If you have questions, please contact the **Synod Office at 920-734-5381** or e-mail [diane.clark@ecsw.org](mailto:diane.clark@ecsw.org)

**SEE YOU AT THE ASSEMBLY!!!**