



Sierra Pacific Synod
committed to being re-formed

WELCOME BOOK



**Evangelical Lutheran
Church in America**

God's work. Our hands.



Welcome to the Sierra Pacific Synod!

We are glad that you are here, and we hope that you have found your time of transition smooth. We have held you in prayer, and continue to pray for you, and your ministry, to thrive.

We hope you find the information in this book helpful in your transition time. This is an ongoing project, so if there is information missing that you think should be here, please let us know.

Again, Welcome!

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SIERRA PACIFIC SYNOD VISION

As the Sierra Pacific Synod

We are:

people called together by the insistent urging of the Holy Spirit, empowered to be followers of Jesus Christ, rooted in God's unconditional love.

We hope:

- to embody the love of God
- to share the good news of Jesus
- to equip one another as followers of Jesus
- to engage in God's call for peace through justice
- to challenge communities of faith to honor their past and adapt for their future
- to build inclusive communities

We will:

Live in community

Worshiping

Praying

Serving

Being fed

Honor

Lutheran identity

Questions and doubts

A spectrum of experiences

Proclaim in word and deed

God's love

Radical hospitality

Truth to power

Strive for peace and justice locally and globally

Recognize needs

Accompany

Advocate

Serve and be served

Commit to be re-formed

OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

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SYNOD STRUCTURE

We have Nine Conferences, configured geographically. Each conference has a Dean, a pastor in the conference, elected by the conference members. Each conference is represented by one member on synod council. Using the three 'classifications' in the constitution, there is a rotation among lay male, lay female, and clergy. There are also three members elected at-large, a youth member (at-large), and a young adult member (at-large).

Check the [website](#) for the most current information.

Conference	Dean	Email
Redwood Mountain Conference 1	The Rev. Bill Wessner <i>Interim</i> , Cross and Crown Rohnert Park, CA	PastorBill@CrossAndCrownRP.org
Bridges Conference 2	The Rev. Ned O'Donnell Trinity Lutheran, Oakland <i>and</i> East Bay Lutheran Parish Ministry to Nursing Homes Alameda & Oakland, CA	pastorned@live.com
Capitol Valley Conference 3	Pr. Kirsten Moore Calvary, Rio Vista, CA	kirs10moore@sbcglobal.net
Sierra Nevada Foothills Conference 4	The Rev. Charlane Lines Faith, Meadow Vista, CA	faithmv.pastor@gmail.com
San Francisco Peninsula Conference 5	The Rev. John Kuehner Unity, S San Francisco & Millbrae, CA	jkuehne@yahoo.com
El Camino Real Conference 6	The Rev. Manda Truchinski Christ the Good Shepherd, San Jose, CA	pastormandatruchinski@gmail.com
Mt. Diablo Conference 7	The Rev. Ray Waespi <i>Interim</i> , Christ the King, Fremont, CA	rwaespi@comcast.net
Sierra Central Valley Conference 8	The Rev. Sylvia Mueller Light of Christ, Turlock, CA	pastorsylviam@yahoo.com
Central San Joaquin Conference 9	The Rev. Brian Malison Christ, Visalia, CA	brian@clcvialia.org

SYNOD COUNCIL

Ms. Elaine Whitney San Francisco, CA	Vice President (2018)	eh_whitney@yahoo.com
Mr. Jeffrey Pennington Oakland, CA	Secretary (2020)	SynodSecretary@spselca.org
Ms. Linda Lownes Citrus Heights, CA	Treasurer (2020)	Lindalownes09@comcast.net
Ms. Gail Kiyomura Oakland, CA	At Large (2019)	gkiyo00@yahoo.com
Rev. Gregory Brown Oakland, CA	At Large (2018)	Pr.gregg@therevgbrown.com
Rev. Teresita Valeriano Alameda, CA	At Large (2020)	titavaleriano@gmail.com
Mr. Nick Hayes Alameda, CA	Youth Representative (2019)	obeybasketball@gmail.com
<i>Vacant</i>	Young Adult Representative (2019)	
Ms. Sue Michaelson Rohnert Park, CA	Conference 1 – Lay Female (2020)	sue@kmproperties.biz
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Rev. Jason Bense Sacramento, CA	Conference 3 – Clergy (2020)	jbense@lcorsac.org
Ms. Linda Babcock Granite Bay, CA	Conference 4 – Lay Female (2020)	lindababcockscat@gmail.com
Mr. John Allured Palo Alto, CA	Conference 5 – Lay Male (2020)	jwalaw@sbcglobal.net
Rev. Clark Brown Monterey, CA	Conference 6 – Clergy (2020)	pastorclark@sttim.org
Ms. Sheela Boddu Fremont CA	Conference 7 – Lay Female (2020)	sheelajay@yahoo.com
Mr. Bill Turner Merced, CA	Conference 8 – Lay Male (2020)	wct714@gmail.com
Rev. Paul Clark Fresno, CA	Conference 9 – Clergy (2020)	cellopc@gmail.com

DISCIPLING TEAMS AND COMMITTEES

DISCIPLING TEAMS

The Sierra Pacific Synod has seven *Discipling Teams* (DTs). The DTs focus on specific areas of ministry and mission in the synod. They host events, trainings, and other opportunities for learning and connecting to the synod as a whole. Each Discipling Team is comprised of a Chair, appointed by the Bishop; 3-5 members appointed by the Synod Council for 3 year, staggered terms; a member appointed by the Racial Ethnic Mission Strategies Discipling Team; a Dean; a member of Synod Council, and a staff member. These appointments begin and end at the January Synod Council meeting.

The goal is that each DT reflect the synod's commitment to the balance of:

60% Laypersons – 40% Clergy

50% Female – 50% Male

25% People of Color, or Primary Language other than English

A balance of geographical representation

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE – Provides training and support for congregational ministries, focusing on the areas of congregational ministries, focusing on the areas of congregational Culture, Administration, Relationships, Education, and Service. [Facebook](#)

Vacant, Chair [conglife@spselca.org] –

Members: Rev. Scott Guemmer, Christ the King, Orangevale, Rev. Manda Truchinski (Christ the Good Shepherd, San Jose CA), Rev. Kathryn Gulbranson (Office of the Bishop)

WORSHIP FOR BAPTISMAL LIVING – Provides training and resources for rostered leaders and lay leaders in the areas of worship, the catechumenate and vocation in daily life.

Rev. Heidi Hester, Chair [WBL@spselca.org]

Members: Rev. Clark Brown (Synod council; St. Timothy Monterey); Mr. Tim Getz (Grace, Palo Alto); Rev. Charlane Lines (Faith, Meadow Vista); Rev. Sanna Reinholtzen (University Chapel, Berkeley); Rev. Katy Grindberg (Office of the Bishop)

STEWARDSHIP – Strives to assist congregations and individuals in moving from scarcity thinking to a sense of God's abundance. Their ministry programs so far include: the Macedonia Project (with a grant from ELCA), Ventures in Growing Stewards, and Stewardship Coaching.

Rev. Barbara Foltin, Chair [stewardship@spselca.org] – Berkeley, CA

Members: Ms. Pat Cash (All Saints, Novato); Ms. Karen Heikkla (Mountain, Groveland); Ms. Sherrill Heinz (Faith, Chico); Rev. Karen Johnson (Faith, Murphys / Mountain View, Mountain View); Ms. Gail Kiyomura (Synod Council); Rev. Carl Wilfrid (Reno, NV), Adjunct Member; Rev. Kathryn Gulbranson (Office of the Bishop)

RACIAL AND ETHNIC MISSION STRATEGIES – Provides support and training in the areas of Anti-Racism, Cultural Competence and Ethnic Mission Strategies. They focus on assisting congregations to identify and transform fears.

Vacant, Chair [REM@spselca.org]

Members: Rev. Linda Boston (LC of the Master, Sacramento); Rev. Anne Carlson (San Jose); Rev. Trudy Franzen (St. Stephen's, El Dorado Hills); Ms. Stephanie Leong (First, Palo Alto); Rev. Mark Holmerud (Office of the Bishop)

LEADERSHIP – Provides support and resources for the rostered leaders of the Sierra Pacific Synod (Pastors, Associates in Ministry, Diaconal Ministers and Deaconesses)

Rev. Kemp Segerhammar, Palo Alto, CA, Chair [LDT@spselca.org] –

Members: Ms. Linda Babcock (Synod Council); Rev. Anne Carlson (San Jose); Rev. Hans Hoch (San Francisco); Rev. Mary Rowe (Oakland); Ms. Carol Starr (Shepherd of the Hills, Berkeley); Mr. Jim White (St. John, Sunnyvale); Rev. Kathryn Gulbranson (Office of the Bishop)

JUSTICE AND ADVOCACY – Living out the baptismal vows, they strive to organize, support, and coordinate efforts that address needs for justice, advocacy and service. All efforts are to assist local congregations to be centers of justice, advocacy and service. [Facebook Page](#)

Vacant, Chair [justice@spselca.org] –

Members: Rev. Gregg Brown (Miracles of Faith, Oakland); Ms. Ginny McBride (Good Shepherd, Reno); Rev. Jason Bense (Synod Council, Gethsemane, Carmichael, CA & Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer, Sacramento, CA); Rev. Mark W. Holmerud (Office of the Bishop)

WITNESS – Provides support to new and renewing congregations. Provides support and training to all congregations in the areas of evangelism and outreach.

Rev. Dawn Roginski, Chair [witness@spselca.org] – Holy Trinity & St. Paul's, Vallejo, CA

Members: Ms Sheela Boddu (Synod Council); Rev. Ron Zoesch (Office of the Bishop)

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY – Provides support to ministries which work with young adults – campus ministry, outdoor ministry, mission starts, volunteer / service networks, congregational outreach, and more!

COMMITTEES

Candidacy Committee	Term Expiry	Congregation / Ministry
Sheela Boddu	2019	Good Shepherd South Asian Ministry, Fremont
Mr. Greg Bohlmann	2020	Holy Trinity, San Carlos
Rev. Evered Cohen	2019	Lutheran Church of Our Savior's, San Francisco
Rev. Thomas Gable	2019	Marin Lutheran Church, Corte Madera
Ms. Laurie Gaumer	<i>Staff</i>	Sierra Pacific Synod Office of the Bishop
Dr. Carol Jacobson	<i>Ex Officio</i>	PLTS, Seminary Faculty Representative
Rev. Dorothy Lindstrom	2019	Shepherd of the Valley, Merced
Ms. Linda Lownes	2018	Ascension, Citrus Heights
Mr. Ed Marsh	2020	Trinity, Oakland
Rev. Mark Nelson	<i>Ex Officio</i>	Candidacy & Leadership Manager; ELCA Regions 1&2
Rev. Nancy Feniuk Nelson	<i>Ex Officio</i>	Sierra Pacific Synod Office of the Bishop
Deacon Lou Smith	2019	Advent, Citrus Heights
Dr. Myrla Seibold	2020	Shepherd of the Valley, Merced
Rev. Sharon Stalkfleet	2018	Alameda, CA
Rev. Mary Stein-Webber	2018	Oakland, CA
Rev. Ron Valadez	2018	Bethlehem, Auburn, CA
Mr. Steve Wright, <i>Chair</i>	2017	Dublin, CA
 Consultation Committee		
Ms. Barbara Malispina	2021	Christ the Good Shepherd, San Jose
Ms. Etenesh Benti	2021	Christ Oromo, San Lorenzo
Rev. Jim Warnock	2019	Napa Valley Lutheran, Napa
Mr. Merle Hanson	2017	Hope Lutheran, Fresno
Mr. Jeff Pennington	2019	St. Paul, Oakland
Rev. Susan Strouse	2019	First United, San Francisco
Rev. Richard Rubio Bowley	2017	Bethlehem, Oakland
Rev. Brian Stein-Webber	2019	Trinity, Oakland
 Discipline Committee		
Rev. Adisa Armand	2021	Epiphany, San Leandro
Rev. Victor Berg-Haglund	2019	Escalon
Ms. Gisela Daetz	2023	Immanuel, Los Altos
Ms. Larrell Finneran	2023	Elim, Petaluma
Rev. Bob Grosch	2019	St. James, Redding
Mr. Perry Gray-Reneberg	2021	Calvary, Eureka
Ms. Jacque Haar	2019	Hope, Fresno
Rev. Heidi Hester	2021	Trinity, Pleasanton
Ms. Nancy Nielsen	2019	Good Shepherd, Concord
Rev. Mary Lou Petitjean	2023	Christ the King, Tahoe City
Mr. Randy Preshun*	2021	Christ the Good Shepherd, San Jose
Rev. Ron Valadez	2023	Bethlehem, Auburn
* <i>Chair 2017-19</i>		

Synod Assembly Planning Committee

Rev. Teresita Valeriano, Co-Chair
Ms. Mary Wiberg, Co-Chair
Rev. Mark Holmerud, Bishop, Staff
Rev. Katy Grindberg, Asst to the Bishop, Staff
Ms. Laurie Gaumer, Staff

Rev. Timothy Huff
Rev. Kirsten Moore
Ms. Diane Niggli, Hotel Liaison
Rev. Jason Bense, Synod Council Liaison

Finance Committee

Ms. Linda Lownes, Treasurer 2020
Rev. John Kuehner 2018
Rev. Carl Wilfrid 2019
Rev. John Valentine 2019
Deacon Lou Smith 2017

Ascension, Citrus Heights
Unity, South San Francisco, Millbrae
St. John's, Sacramento
Holy Shepherd, Orinda
Advent, Citrus Heights

Property Committee

Ms. Charlene Singley
Ms. Sue Michaelson

Cross and Crown, Rohnert Park

Investment Committee

Mr. Fred Schroeder
Mr. Jay Boddu

Gift Acceptance Committee

Appointed as needed per
Policy 11-002

SYNOD ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Appointed for each Assembly

SYNOD ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

Appointed for each Assembly

GLOBAL MISSION CHAIR, Vacant

COMPANION SYNOD CO-CHAIRS

Ruth Cruddas
Cindy Tuisku

SIERRA PACIFIC SYNOD YOUTH COMMITTEE (SPSYC)

Brooke Meredith, President – Good Shepherd, Reno
Ms. Lisa Herlocker, Adult Co-Chair – Bethel, Roseville
Ms. Elizabeth Hood, Adult Co-Chair – Grace, Palo Alto

Check out their website at spsyc.org!

SPSYC is a youth-led, adult-empowered committee made up of youth and adults from around the synod. The committee members are elected at the High School retreat in February, and serve one-year terms. The committee provides three retreats a year for the youth of the synod – Elementary in October, Jr. High / Middle School in November, and High School in February. Typically, these retreats happen at Mt Cross Ministries in the Santa Cruz Mountains.

All this information, and more, is on their website: spsyc.org – check it out!

MINISTRY PARTNERS

Our Ministry Partners are supported, in part, through the **Second Mile Giving** program. Each month, a ministry is highlighted – bulletin inserts are provided via the Sierra Pacific Synod website, and congregations are asked to collect a special offering to be designated to that ministry. The bulletin inserts can be found through the Quick Link on the synod website’s home page.

CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY	callutheran.edu 1-877-CLU-FOR-U
ELDER CARE ALLIANCE	eldercarealliance.org 510-769-2700
LUTHERAN/EPISCOPAL ADVOCACY IN NEVADA	leanforjustice.wordpress.com 775-747-4201
LUTHERAN OFFICE OF PUBLIC POLICY (CALIFORNIA)	loppca.org 916-447-6666
LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES	lssnorcal.org 925-825-1060 (Concord Office)
MT CROSS MINISTRIES	mtcross.org 831-336-5179
PACIFIC LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY	plts.edu 1-800-235-7587
SAN FRANCISCO NIGHT MINISTRY	sfnightministry.org 415-441-0123 (10pm-2am)

CAMPUS MINISTRY SITES

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY – FRESNO	Rev. Paul Clark	lcmfresno.org
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY – MONTEREY BAY	Rev. Clark Brown	pgcc.csumb.edu/campus-chaplaincy
SACRAMENTO AREA	Rev. Michael Walton	
STANFORD UNIVERSITY	Rev. Greg Schaefer	elcm.stanford.edu
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA - BERKELEY	Rev. Jeff Johnson	ulcberkeley.org
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA – DAVIS	Rev. Jocelynn Jurkovich Hughes Rev. Casey Kloehn	thebelfry.org
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA – SANTA CRUZ		messiah-lutheran.us/young-adult-and-college

COMPANION SYNODS

SALVADORAN LUTHERAN CHURCH	Bishop Medardo E. Gómez Soto	sls.org.sv
LUTHERAN CHURCH OF RWANDA	Bishop Evalister Mugabo	lutheranchurchrwanda.wordpress.com
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OTHER HELPFUL NUMBERS

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SIERRA PACIFIC SYNOD RESOURCE CENTER

www.resourcecenterspselca.org

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MISSION STATEMENT

- To support the ministry of our congregations in their educational, worship, and missional needs.
- To gather, purchase, and provide materials that are consistent with Christian theology and Lutheran doctrine and beliefs.
- To facilitate the circulation of printed, computerized and audiovisual materials in the Resource Center collection.

The Sierra Pacific Synod Resource Center has an online, searchable catalog of resources (www.resourcecenterspselca.org). If you have any questions – give them a call!

EVENTS

Information about all of these events will be published in the synod's weekly newsletter, sent via email. If you are not receiving it, please sign up on the website (www.spselca.org, front page, top right corner), or call one of the offices for assistance.

FALL

Conference / District Gatherings – in the fall, conferences gather to worship, fellowship, learn and do business together. Some years the conferences have all met on the same day and we have been connected via videoconference. The Dean of your conference will be able to tell you where and when your conference will gather.

Professional Leaders' Conference (PLC) – usually the 3rd week of October, the Rostered Leaders of the synod come together for worship, learning and fellowship. We strive to rotate between a 'mountain site' and an 'ocean site.' The dates and locations are published well ahead of time. All Rostered Leaders are encouraged to attend. Scholarships are available through the Leadership Discipling Team. Registration information will be sent out via email in plenty of time ahead of the PLC. *For almost 50 years, this event was held at Asilomar, a retreat center near Monterey. You may heard folks mentioning PLC as Asilomar, even though that location is no longer being used.*

Rostered Women's Retreat - typically held during the 24 hours prior to the PLC, this is a time for rostered women of the synod to come together in worship, learning and fellowship. The topic varies each year, and has been led by amazing women from inside, and outside, the Sierra Pacific Synod. Information is usually included in the Professional Leaders' Conference information packet.

SPRING

CHRISM MASS – in the spring, the office of the bishop hosts worship services around the synod. At these services, rostered ministers and lay people renew their baptismal, ordination, and consecration vows. The oils for the year are blessed, and Eucharist is shared. Lunch and fellowship time follow the service.

SYNOD ASSEMBLY – The synod assembly is a time for members of our 195 (or so) congregations and worshiping communities to come together for learning, fun, worship, and business. The Assembly rotates in location and timing. Keep your eye out for information on when and where. Registration information will be sent out via email in plenty of time ahead of the Assembly.

OH, THE PAPERWORK, THE PAPERWORK...

CONGREGATIONAL STATISTICS AND INFORMATION

Forms A (Congregational Statistics) & Form C (Congregational Information) are mailed to the congregations at the beginning of the year. They are due by mid-February.

The forms can be found on the ELCA Website as well.

If you don't receive the mailing, or cannot locate the congregation's ID or password, please contact the Sacramento Office of the Bishop [916-756-1665; info@spselca.org]

ROSTERED LEADER'S REPORT TO THE SYNOD BISHOP

You'll need to have access to Formatta Filler, everyone's favorite computer program.

At the beginning of the year, you'll get a reminder to fill out your report to the Bishop. Please do – every one is read and responded to, as needed.

You'll need to have:

- your Leader Key number
- your continuing education events for the previous year
- information about your salary and benefits for the previous and current years

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Question / Issue	Who / where	Email Address
Candidacy	Laurie Gaumer	laurie@spselca.org
Change of Address / email / name, etc.	Diana Suruki	diana@spselca.org
Compensation Questions	SPS Website	spselca.org – (Resources – Rostered Leaders)
First Call Theological Education	Rev. Katy Grindberg	katy@spselca.org
Forms A & C	Sacramento Office of the Bishop	info@spselca.org
Obtaining a directory of congregations and rostered leaders	Sacramento Office of the Bishop	info@spselca.org
Pulpit Supply <i>Due to the size and spread of the synod, the office of the bishop does not keep a list – this is done locally</i>	Conference Deans	See pg. 3 Or check the website listing
Subscribe to the newsletter	SPS website	www.spselca.org
Synod Assembly, Professional Leaders’ Conference, etc.	call any office and you’ll be directed to the appropriate person	info@spselca.org
Volunteering at the synod level (committees, Discipling Teams, etc.)	Nominating Committee Chair	nominations@spselca.org

IF YOU'RE NEW TO CALIFORNIA OR NEVADA

DRIVERS' LICENSE

CALIFORNIA - www.dmv.ca.gov

If you become a California resident, you must get a California driver license within 10 days. Residency is established by voting in a California election, paying resident tuition, filing for a homeowner's property tax exemption, or any other privilege or benefit not ordinarily extended to nonresidents.

NEVADA - dmvnev.com

You must be a Nevada resident and provide a Nevada street address to obtain a driver license.

LICENSE PLATES

CALIFORNIA - www.dmv.ca.gov

Fees must be paid within 20 days of entry or residency to avoid penalties. Any vehicle owned by a California resident must be registered within 20 days of entry into California unless a special permit was obtained. Nonresidents whose vehicles are properly registered to them in their home state or jurisdiction may operate their vehicles in California until they:

- Accept gainful employment in California.
- Claim a homeowner's exemption in California.
- Rent or lease a residence in California.
- Intend to live or be located here on a permanent basis (for example, acquire a California driver license, acquire other licenses not ordinarily extended to a nonresident, registered to vote).
- Enroll in an institution of higher learning as a California resident **or** enroll their dependents in school (K-12).

NEVADA - dmvnev.com

New residents must surrender their out-of-state plates. If you do not have the registration slip, we will teletype your home state for verification. Expired registrations are subject to late fees. Most trailers must be registered and titled if used on any public street.

EMISSIONS TESTING

CALIFORNIA

Smog inspections are required unless your vehicle is:

- Hybrid
- Gasoline powered 1975 year model or older
- Diesel powered 1997 year model and older or with a Gross Vehicle Weight rating (GVWR) of more than 14,000 lbs
- Electric
- Natural gas powered with a GVWR rating of more than 14,000 lbs.
- Motorcycle
- Trailer

NEVADA

Passenger cars, trucks, RVs and motor homes need an emissions test if they are:

- Based in the urban areas of Clark or Washoe county;
- Gasoline powered (regardless of weight or size)
- Diesel powered with a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating up to and including 14,000 pounds; and
- 1968 model year or newer (unless the vehicle qualifies for a Classic Vehicle exemption)
- New vehicles on their third registration. First and second registrations are exempted. Hybrids are exempt for five model years.

VEHICLE INSURANCE

CALIFORNIA

Minimum Liability Insurance Requirements for Private Passenger Vehicles

- \$15,000 for injury/death to one person.
- \$30,000 for injury/death to more than one person.
- \$5,000 for damage to property.

NEVADA

Your insurance must be written for Nevada and at least one of the named insured must appear on the vehicle registration. Minimum coverage is 15/30/10.

VOTER REGISTRATION

CALIFORNIA - registertovote.ca.gov

The deadline to register to vote for any election is 11:59:59 p.m. Pacific Time on the 15th calendar day before that election.

NEVADA - nvsos.gov/sosvoterservices/registration/step1.aspx

You must be in possession of a Nevada DMV issued photo ID or drivers' license