



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. Bob Swartz St. James Lutheran Church Redding, CA	pastorbob@stjamesca.com
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	pastored@live.com
Capitol Valley Conference 3	Pr. Kirsten Moore Calvary Lutheran Church Rio Vista, CA	kirs10moore@sbcglobal.net
Sierra Nevada Foothills Conference 4	The Rev. Sarah Johnson Lord of Mercy Lutheran Church Sparks, NV	pastor@lordofmercy.org
San Francisco Peninsula Conference 5	The Rev. Elizabeth Ekdale St. Mark's Lutheran Church San Francisco, CA	ekdale@stmarks-sf.org
El Camino Real Conference 6	The Rev. Sara Pearson Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Saratoga, CA	pastorsara@propeace.org
Mt. Diablo Conference 7	The Rev. Tyler Jensen Messiah Lutheran Church Hayward, CA	mtdiabloconference@gmail.com
Sierra Central Valley Conference 8	The Rev. Nelson Rabell-Gonzales St. Paul Lutheran Church Lodi, CA	nrabell2@hotmail.com
Central San Joaquin Conference 9	The Rev. Brian Malison Christ Lutheran Church Visalia, CA	brian@clcvisalia.org

SYNOD COUNCIL

Ms. Gail Kiyomura San Francisco, CA	Vice President (2022)	synodvicepresident@spselca.org
Mr. Jeffrey Pennington Oakland, CA	Secretary (2020)	synodsecretary@spselca.org
	Treasurer	synodtreasurer@spselca.org
Rev. Tuhina Rasche San Carlos, CA	At Large (2020)	tvasche@gmail.com
Rev. Gregory Brown Oakland, CA	At Large (2021)	pr.gregg@therevbrown.com
Mr. Joseph Paxton Fresno, CA	At Large (2022)	joseph.paxton@cst.edu
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Mr. Nick Hayes Alameda, CA	Young Adult Representative (2021)	obeybasketball@gmail.com
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Mr. Carl Brodt Berkeley, CA	Conference 2 – Lay Male (2020)	carlbrod@aol.com
Rev. Jason Bense Sacramento, CA	Conference 3 – Clergy (2020)	jbense@lcorso.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](#)

Rev. Manda Truchinski (Christ the Good Shepherd, San Jose); Chair [conglife@spselca.org]

Members: Rev. Scott Guemmer (Christ the King, Orangevale); 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 (Trinity, Pleasanton); Chair [WBL@spselca.org]

Members: Rev. Clark Brown (Synod Council Liaison), 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 (Faith, Castro Valley); Chair [stewardship@spselca.org]

Members: Ms. Pat Cash (All Saints, Novato); Rev. Karen Johnson (Faith, Murphys / Mountain View, Mountain View); Rev. Carl Wilfrid (Reno, NV; Adjunct Member); Ms. Gail Kiyomura (Synod Council Liaison); Rev. Tita Valeriano (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.

Rev. Linda Boston (LC of the Master, Sacramento); Chair [REM@spselca.org]

Members: Rev. Anne Carlson (San Jose); Rev. Trudy Franzen (St. Stephen's, El Dorado Hills); Ms. Stephanie Leong (First, Palo Alto); Ms. Sheela Boddu (Good Shepherd South Asian Ministry, Fremont); Rev. Gregg Brown (Synod Council Liaison); 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 (RT; Belmont); Chair [LDT@spselca.org] –

Members: Rev. Hans Hoch (St. Mark's, San Francisco); Rev. Mary Rowe (RT; Oakland); Rev. Adisa Armand (Epiphany, San Leandro); Rev. John Kuehner (Unity, So. San Francisco); Rev. Sue Holland (Coastside, Half Moon Bay); Ms. Carol Starr (Shepherd of the Hills, Berkeley); Mr. Jim White (St. John, Sunnyvale); Ms. Linda Babcock (Synod Council Liaison); 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: Ms. Ginny McBride (Good Shepherd, Reno); Mr. Larry Struve (Reno, NV); 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 (United in Grace, Vallejo); Chair [witness@spselca.org]

Members: Rev. Ben Colahan (Faith, Chico); Mr. Dave Birdsall (Prince of Peace, Saratoga); Ms. Sandra Vargas (St. Paul, Lodi); Rev. Clark Brown (Synod Council Liaison); Rev. Tita Valeriano (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!

Vacant, Chair

Members: Rev. Paul Clark (Synod Council Liaison); Rev. Katy Grindberg (Office of the Bishop)

COMMITTEES

Candidacy Committee	Term Expiry	Congregation / Ministry
Sheela Boddu	2019	Good Shepherd South Asian Ministry, Fremont
Mr. Greg Bohlmann	2021	Holy Trinity, San Carlos
Rev. Evered Cohen	2020	Lutheran Church of Our Savior, 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
Mr. Ed Marsh	2021	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	2020	Advent, Citrus Heights
Rev. Sharon Stalkfleet	2019	Berkeley
Rev. Ron Valadez	2018	Bethlehem, Auburn
Mr. Steve Wright, <i>Chair</i>	2017	Dublin
Rev. Manda Truchinski	2021	Christ the Good Shepherd, San Jose
Ms. Elaine Whitney	2021	St. Francis, San Francisco
 Consultation Committee		
Ms. Barbara Malispina	2021	Christ the Good Shepherd, San Jose
Ms. Etenesh Benti	2021	Christ Oromo, San Lorenzo
Rev. Chad Adamik	2023	St. Paul, Carson City
Rev. Trudy Franzen	2025	St. Stephen's, El Dorado Hills
Mr. Dave Anderson	2023	Nuestro Redentor, Livingston
Rev. Sandi Olson-Decker	2025	Grace, King City
Rev. Bill Wong	2025	Peace, Grass Valley
Mr. Burke Wallace	2025	Zion, Stockton

Discipline Committee

Rev. Adisa Armand	2021	Epiphany, San Leandro
Rev. Brian Stein-Webber	2025	PLTS, Berkeley
Ms. Gisela Daetz	2023	Immanuel, Los Altos
Ms. Larrell Fineren	2023	Elim, Petaluma
Rev. Stephanie Johnson	2025	Trinity, Alameda
Mr. Perry Gray-Reneberg	2021	Calvary, Eureka
Rev. Heidi Hester	2021	Trinity, Pleasanton
Deacon Susan Wessner	2025	Cross and Crown, Rohnert Park
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
Mr. Nulek Singkeovilay	2025	Christ Lahu, Visalia

* Chair 2019-2021

Synod Assembly Planning Committee

Rev. Tom Miller, Co-Chair	Rev. Timothy Huff
Rev. Charlane Lines, Co-Chair	Rev. Dorothy Lundgren
Rev. Mark Holmerud, Bishop, Staff	Ms. Lisa Achen
Rev. Katy Grindberg, Asst to the Bishop, Staff	Ms. Diane Niggli, Hotel Liaison
Ms. Laurie Gaumer, Staff	Rev. Clark Brown, Synod Council Liaison

Finance Committee

Rev. John Kuehner	2021	Unity, South San Francisco, Millbrae
Rev. Carl Wilfrid	2019	St. John’s, Sacramento
Rev. John Valentine	2019	Holy Shepherd, Orinda
Deacon Lou Smith	2020	Advent, Citrus Heights
Ms. Sandra Schonning	2022	St. Paul, Oakland

Investment Committee

Mr. Fred Schroeder	2020	Holy Shepherd, Orinda
Ms. Joan Kiekhaefer	2022	Holy Shepherd, Orinda
Ms. Linda Lownes	2020	Ascension, Citrus Heights
Rev. Jason Bense, Council Liaison		
Ms. Gail Kiyomura, Bishop’s Designee		
Ms. Diana Suruki, Director of Finance and Administration		

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 MISSIONS ADVOCACY TEAM CHAIRS

Ms. Ruth Cruddas, Co-Chair

Ms. Mary Ritter, Co-Chair

COMPANION SYNOD CO-CHAIRS

Ms. Ruth Cruddas

Ms. Cindy Tuisku

SIERRA PACIFIC SYNOD YOUTH COMMITTEE ([SPSYC](http://spsyc.org))

Chase Beardslee, President – Trinity, Alameda

Lisa Herlocker, Adult Co-Chair – Bethel, Roseville

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 805-493-3100
ELDER CARE ALLIANCE	eldercarealliance.org 510-769-2700
LUTHERAN/EPISCOPAL ADVOCACY IN NEVADA	leanforjustice.org 775-200-2983
LUTHERAN OFFICE OF PUBLIC POLICY (CALIFORNIA)	lutheranpublicpolicyca.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 510-524-5264
SAN FRANCISCO NIGHT MINISTRY	sfnightministry.org 415-441-0123 (10pm-2am)

CAMPUS MINISTRY SITES

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY – FRESNO	Autumn Scherf	lcmfresno.org
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY – MONTEREYBAY	Rev. Clark Brown, Rev. Jon Perez	graceroom.org
STANFORD UNIVERSITY – Palo Alto	Rev. Greg Schaefer	elcm.stanford.edu
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA - BERKELEY	Rev. Jeff Johnson, Rev. Sanna Reinholtzen	ulcberkeley.org
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA – DAVIS	Rev. Casey Dunsworth, Emily Hyberg	thebelfry.org
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA – SANTA CRUZ		messiah-lutheran.us

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

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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.	Sabrina Casillas	sabrina@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. 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:

- 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

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
- 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 25/50/20.

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

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