

SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN SYNOD ASSEMBLY

MAY 18-20, 2023

BLUE WATER CONVENTION CENTER

PORT HURON, MICHIGAN

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Thursday, May 18th

2:30 – 7:00 pm	REGISTRATION	Great Lakes Pre-Function Area
6:15pm	OPENING OF ASSEMBLY/WORSHIP	Lake Huron Convention Hall B
7:45pm	NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION	Lake Huron Convention Hall B
8:00-9:00pm	PLENARY #1 Welcome & Announcements Adoption of Rules of Procedure & Agenda Introductions Directions on Bishop’s Election from Churchwide Rep Credentials Report FIRST BALLOT FOR BISHOP Report of the Nominations Committee and Nominations from the floor	Lake Huron Convention Hall B

Friday, May 19th

8:00 – 9:45am	REGISTRATION	Great Lakes Pre-Function Area
10:00 – 12:00 pm	PLENARY #2 Morning Prayer Call to Order and announcements Report of 1 st Ballot for Bishop Report of Bishop Kreiss Credentials Report SECOND BALLOT FOR BISHOP (IF NEEDED) First Common Ballot Treasurer’s Report/Presentation of the 2025 Budget Report of First Common Ballot Second Common Ballot Telling the Story of the Southeast Michigan Synod with Pastor Bill Moldwin	Lake Huron Convention Hall B
11:00am	DEADLINE FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM SECOND BALLOT FOR BISHOP	

12:00pm	LUNCH REGISTRATION RE-OPENS	Lake Huron Convention Hall A Great Lakes Pre-Function Area
12:45pm	REGISTRATION CLOSES	
1:00 – 2:20pm	PLENARY SESSION #3 Prayer/ Song & Call to Order & Announcements Storytelling with Pastor Sarah Mayer-Flatt Credentials Report Report of Second Common Ballot Adoption of 2025 Budgets Constitutional Amendments by Synod Council Report of Second Ballot for Bishop (if needed)	Lake Huron Convention Hall B
2:10pm	BREAK/REGISTRATION RE-OPENS	Great Lakes Pre-Function Area
2:30pm	WORKSHOPS OR REPORT OF CHURCHWIDE REPRESENTATIVE	St. Clair River B, Lake Huron A&B, Grand Ballroom I & II Lake Huron Convention Hall B
3:15pm	REGISTRATION CLOSES	
3:45 – 4:00pm	PLENARY SESSION #4 Prayer/Song Call to Order & Announcements Credentials Report	Lake Huron Convention Hall B
4:00 – 5:45pm	Addresses by Top 7 Bishop Nominees (if needed) THIRD BALLOT FOR BISHOP (IF NEEDED) Report of Third Ballot for Bishop (if needed) Report of the Synod Vice President Resolutions OR Report of Churchwide Representative Report of the Synod Vice President Resolutions	
6:30pm	DINNER, CELEBRATION OF ANNIVERSARIES & EVENING PRAYER	Lake Huron Hall A

Saturday, May 20th

8:00 – 9:45am	REGISTRATION	Great Lakes Pre-Function Area
10:00 – 11:50am	PLENARY SESSION #5 Morning Prayer/Call to Order & Announcements	Lake Huron Convention Hall B

Storytelling with Pastor Sarah Mayer-Flatt
Credentials Report
Churchwide Rep Asks Questions of Top 3 Bishop Candidates (if needed)

11:50am	LUNCH REGISTRATION RE-OPENS	Lake Huron Convention Hall A Great Lakes Pre-Function Area
1:00pm	REGISTRATION CLOSSES	
1:15pm	TOP THREE BISHOP CANDIDATES ROTATE Q & A	Lake Huron B, Grand Ballrooms I & II
2:30 – 5:00pm	PLENARY SESSION #6 Call to Order / Announcements Credentials Report FOURTH BALLOT FOR BISHOP (IF NEEDED) Hymn Sing (if needed) Report of Fourth Ballot for Bishop (if needed) FIFTH BALLOT FOR BISHOP (IF NEEDED) Hymn Sing (if needed) Report of Fifth Ballot for Bishop (if needed) Address by Bishop-Elect Closing Eucharist with Installation of Synod Council	Lake Huron Convention Hall B
		
10:00-10:45am	PLENARY SESSION #5 Morning Prayer/Call to Order & Announcements Storytelling with Pastor Sarah Mayer-Flatt	Lake Huron Convention Hall B
10:50am	WORKSHOPS	St. Clair River B, Lake Huron A&B, Grand Ballroom I & II
11:50am	LUNCH REGISTRATION	Lake Huron Convention Hall A Great Lakes Pre-Function Area
1:00pm	REGISTRATION CLOSSES	
1:15- 3:00pm	PLENARY SESSION #6 Call to Order / Announcements Installation of Synod Council Closing Eucharist	Lake Huron Convention Hall B