



Southeast Michigan Synod • ELCA

Assembly 2024

Conference 7 Report to the 2024 Synod Assembly

Rev. Dr. Colleen Nieman – St Paul/Dearborn

Rev. Albert Le Blanc Jr. – Hope/Dearborn

All.together Campus Ministry

Faith, Brownstown

Good Hope, Garden City

Hope, Dearborn

Mother of the Savior, Dearborn

St. Paul, Dearborn

St. Philip, Trenton

St. Thomas, Grosse Ile

Unity, Southgate

Retired: Rev. Jack Eggleston, Rev. Helen Liesenberg, and Dcn. Maggie Priestaf

Rev. Ben Adams

Rev. Emily Werner, Interim

Rev. Lew Carlson

Rev. Albert LeBlanc Jr.

Rev. Halim Shukair (Episcopal)

Rev. Dr. Colleen Nieman

Rev. Jeffery Ogonowski

Rev. Kari Rinas

Rev. Carm Yero

Our colleagues with our conference gather regularly (monthly) to share information and provide spiritual support. During the season of Lent, members of Faith, St. Philip, and Unity took turns hosting a mid-week Lenten prayer service together; a tradition that has been going on for many years. Vicar Judi Tyler concluded her internship at Unity in July of 2023. She has since been ordained and is serving a congregation in Arizona.

Rev. Dr. Colleen Nieman was on sabbatical from mid-April through early July of 2023, with Rev. Jack Eggleston and Intern Judi Tyler serving as the supply pastors with St. Paul. Rev. Joshua Rinas transitioned out of Faith, Brownstown, and Rev. Emily Werner began as the Interim Pastor of Faith. Rev. Lew Carlson was installed as pastor of Good Hope, Garden City, on September 24, 2023.

Conversations took place regarding the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans. Registration began in the fall for Youth and Adult Leaders to participate from Mother of the Savior, St. Paul and St. Thomas.

Peace and blessings...

Rev. Dr. Colleen Nieman and Rev. Albert Le Blanc Jr.: Co-Deans