



## Conference 7 Report for 2026 Southeast Michigan Synod Assembly

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Rev. Albert Le Blanc Jr. – Hope/Dearborn

All.together Campus Ministry	Rev. Ben Adams
Faith, Brownstown	Rev. Katie Butler
Good Hope, Garden City	Rev. Lew Carlson
Hope, Dearborn	Rev. Albert LeBlanc Jr.
Mother of the Savior, Dearborn	Rev. Halim Shukair (Episcopal)
St. Paul, Dearborn	Rev. Dr. Colleen Nieman
St. Philip, Trenton	Rev. Jeff Ogonowski & Rev. Jack Eggleston (Stated Supply)
St. Thomas, Grosse Ile	Rev. Kari Rinas
Unity, Southgate	Rev. Carm Yero

Retired: Rev. Jack Eggleston, Rev. Dr. Colleen Nieman, and Dcn. Maggie Priestaf

Our colleagues within our conference gather regularly (monthly) to share information and provide spiritual support. During the season of Lent, members of Faith, Brownstown, St. Philip, Trenton, and Unity, Southgate took turns hosting a mid-week Lenten prayer service together; a tradition that has been going on for many years.

We had a lot of transitions in our conference in 2025: Rev. Jeff Ogonowski took a call to a different congregation and ended his ministry with St. Philip, Trenton in September, Rev. Dr. Colleen Nieman retired from call and ended her ministry at St. Paul, Dearborn the end of September, Rev. Katie Butler was called to Faith, Brownstown and was installed in October, and Rev. Jack Eggleston (retired) is now serving as stated supply as the people of St. Philip, Trenton begin to look at their path forward.

All our congregations participate in food ministry programs to help address food insecurity in our neighborhoods.

Peace and blessings...

Rev. Albert Le Blanc Jr., Dean