



**New Jersey Synod**  
**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**  
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**TO:** New Jersey Synod Rostered Leaders and Chief Lay Officers

**FR:** Bishop Roy Riley

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

The annual Synod Assembly is a little more than three weeks away. If you or voting members from your congregation have not as yet registered, please do so!

The Assembly convenes Friday-Saturday, June 3-4, on the campus of The College of New Jersey, 2000 Pennington Rd. (Hwy 31), Ewing, NJ 08628. This is a new venue for us, providing both opportunities and challenges for our annual gathering. The Assembly Planning Team is very excited about the possibilities!

The Assembly will take place in three parts:

**Two Business Sessions** will be conducted from 9:15 AM to 4:30 PM on Friday in Kendall Hall. In addition to hearing reports from the Bishop, Synod Council, and our ELCA Churchwide Representative, the Synod will elect a Secretary, a Vice President, and Synod Council members.

**Worship with Holy Communion** will take place at 7:30 PM at Trinity Cathedral (Episcopal), West State Street in Trenton. Installation of LOGM Director The Rev. Sara E. Lilja and remembering colleagues who have joined the Church Triumphant since we last met in assembly will be part of this service.

**A Mission Fair** will take place on Saturday on the TCNJ campus from 9AM to 1PM, primarily outdoors, weather permitting, with two Mission Celebrations taking place in Mayo Concert Hall (9:15-10:30 AM and 11 AM-12:15 PM, attend one).

Voting Members are expected for all parts of the Assembly, and visitors are especially encouraged to attend the Mission Fair on Saturday.

Two officers of the Synod, **Vice President** and **Secretary**, will be elected for four-year terms. Vice President Dianne Browne is currently the only nominee for that office. For Secretary, the Rev. Roger Spencer has declined to be re-nominated. The Synod Council has nominated the Rev. Dean R. Brown (Holy Trinity, Red Bank), the Rev. Christine R. Regan (St. Stephen, Woodbury), and the Rev. Wesley W. Smith (Zion, Saddle River).

I look forward to greeting you at the 2011 New Jersey Synod Assembly!

