

## 2017 Central States Synod Assembly

Number	Subject	Action
SA 17.01	<p><b>A Season of Global Awareness - Remembering our Companion Synods</b>                      Designate one Sunday in Epiphany season as "Sunday of Celebration for Global Church"                      Designate Sunday, June 17, 2018 as Sunday in solidarity with church in Papua New Guinea                      Designate Sunday, September 23, 2018 as Sunday in solidarity with church in Russia</p>	Adopted – information will be sent out through the synod communications
SA 17.02	<p><b>Designation of Bethany Lutheran Home Sunday</b>                      November 5, 2017</p>	Adopted - information will be sent out through synod communications
SA 17.03	<p><b>Designation of Lutheran Senior Services Weekend</b>                      Congregations encouraged to use bulletin inserts and intercessory prayer petitions provided by LSS the weekend of September 16-17, 2017</p>	Adopted - information will be sent out through synod communications
SA17.04	<p><b>Christian Vocation</b>                      Designate August 27, 2017 as Christian Vocation Sunday                      Provide resources from the Life of Faith Initiative                      PMA Task Force continue to develop and provide educational information</p>	Adopted - information will be sent out through synod communications; PMA Task Force and other synod teams work on providing educational opportunities
SA 17.05	<p><b>Environmental Stewardship</b>                      Encourage the use of resources of Lutherans Restoring Creation                      Encourage members to be active environmental stewards and green disciples</p>	Adopted – information to be sent out through synod communications; work with LRC Mission Table to encourage environmental stewardship
SA 17.06	<p><b>Refugees and Immigrants</b>                      Encourage congregations to welcome refugees through Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services                      Bishop communicate concerns to government officials and encourage congregations to do the same</p>	Adopted – information to be sent out through synod communications Bishop communicate with government officials Synod council appoint a task force

	<p>Encourage congregations to pray for refugees</p> <p>Host an annual Refugee Sunday</p> <p>Memorialize the churchwide assembly to request Presiding Bishop communicate with president and members of congress</p> <p>Appoint a task force to explore becoming a sanctuary synod and report back to the 2018 Synod assembly</p>	
SA17.07	<p><b>Synod Assembly Meeting Dates</b></p> <p>Beginning in 2020, the assembly would met on Friday through noon on Sunday</p>	Defeated
SA17.08	<p><b>Congregations that have left the ELCA</b></p> <p>Express appreciation for ministry of Zion, Everest, KS</p>	Adopted – Chaplain offered a prayer
SA17.09	<p><b>Retirements</b></p> <p>Express appreciation for those who served</p>	Adopted - Assembly stood and gave applause
SA17.10	<p><b>Faithful Departed</b></p> <p>Express appreciation for the lives of the ordained ministers who have died</p>	Adopted – Assembly stood and sang