



Southwestern Minnesota Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America



We write to invite you to join us in sharing a gift through the 2025 Synod Assembly Offering.

This year the synod looks to raise \$35,000 to invest in our joint work of passing on the faith.

No area excites or concerns congregations more than the engagement of children, youth, and young families. Ensuring that young people grow in and explore their faith is vital to our work together as the Southwestern Minnesota Synod.

The synod's investment in the forming of faith includes:

- Our Synod Minister for Equipping Congregation Leaders, Rostered Ministers, Youth, & Families, Pr. Seyward Ask. Through her role she strengthens a network of those in Youth & Family ministry in congregations. She spent the first year in her role listening and learning the landscape of youth and family ministry and now prepares to bring congregational leaders around the synod together for encouragement and mutual learning.
- A junior high event that gathers together upwards of 600 youth to experience God's love and see the exciting breadth of God's church.
- A senior high event providing space for faith exploration
- A Lutheran Youth Organization where a board of elected adults and youth group works together to plan meaningful synod-wide youth events

Every congregation, large and small, rural and urban, can benefit from these investments.

Through the Synod Assembly Offering, the Southwestern Minnesota Synod seeks to raise \$35,000 to underwrite these investments, ensuring that congregations throughout the synod continue to walk together as young people experience the God who has claimed them.

We're inviting every congregation in the synod to join us with a gift. Some congregations will utilize endowment funds. Others will see it as part of their outreach ministries. Others will take up a special collection.

Gifts of all sizes will make this possible. Refer to the giving chart on the back to consider where you might find your congregation. We will reach out you personally, but wanted you to have this formal invitation as well.

You can bring your gift to the Assembly, mail it to the synod office (PO Box 499, Redwood Falls, MN 56283. Please included Synod Assembly Offering in the memo line), or give through the synod's website, www.swmnelca.org.

We're excited to walk with congregations as you work to pass on the faith. **We'd love for you to join us.**

Synod Assembly Offering Chart:

Gift Amount:	# of gifts needed:	Total:
\$5,000.00	1.....	\$5,000.00
\$2,000.00	6.....	\$12,000.00
\$1,000.00	6.....	\$6,000.00
\$500.00	6.....	\$3,000.00
\$250.00	6.....	\$1,500.00
\$150.00	6.....	\$900.00
\$100.00	6.....	\$600.00
\$75.00	40.....	\$3,000.00
\$50.00	40.....	\$2,000.00
\$25.00	40.....	\$1,000.00



Ways to Give:

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Mail a check payable to the SW MN Synod:

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Give online. Use the QR code or visit the synod's website at www.swmnelca.org.



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