

A WELCOMING CHURCH

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A CONNECTED AND SUSTAINABLE CHURCH

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God's Love Made Real

The ELCA's Vision:

A world experiencing the difference
God's grace and love in Christ
make for all people
and creation.

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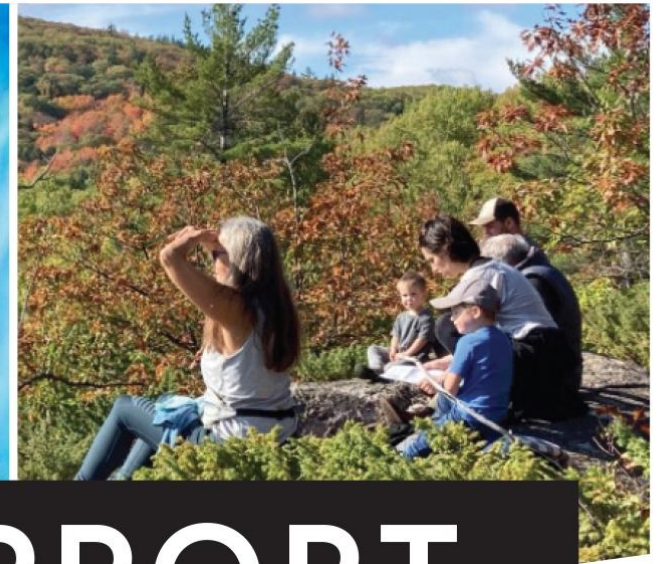
Your Synod's Presence

Laurel Muhly-Alexander – COMMISSION FOR A RENEWED LUTHERAN CHURCH

Bishop Matthew Riegel – COMMISSION FOR A RENEWED LUTHERAN CHURCH

Bishop Matthew Riegel – TASKFORCE ON FAITH AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT





MISSION SUPPORT

Together we're doing more than any one person, congregation or synod could do alone, making an impact all around the world.

Thank you!



ELCA World Hunger

For 50 years, we've worked together to address the root causes of hunger and poverty around the world.

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Lutheran Disaster Response

In 2024, Lutheran Disaster Response served our neighbors in **55** countries, including the United States.

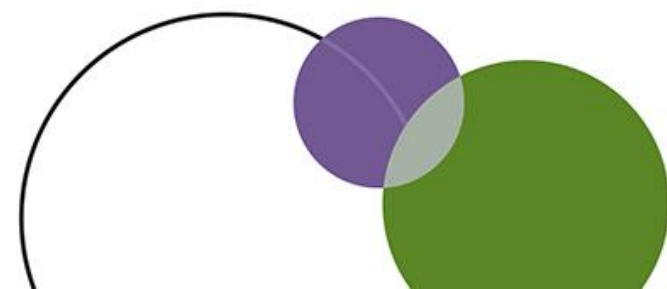
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Proposed Social Statement

Faith and Civic Life: Seeking the Well-being of All

Stay updated at **[ELCA.org/civicsandfaith](https://elca.org/civicsandfaith)**



Commission for a Renewed Lutheran Church

The commission's work is now complete. The findings and recommendations will be shared with the 2025 Churchwide Assembly. The Church Council took action in response to the recommendations. Learn more at ELCA.org/CRLC.





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**We are members
of one body in
Christ, called to
love one another.**



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Resources for Advocacy and Engagement

*The Freedom of a Christian study
guide*



“A Study Curriculum on Civic Life
and Faith”



Witness in Society (Advocacy)



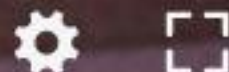


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**“Our journey of
faith together”**





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