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In the Order of Business, references are by Roman numeral to the section of the *Pre-Assembly Report* where the resource is located and by the name of the document (e.g., V: Election of the Presiding Bishop), unless otherwise noted. Recommended actions, also in the *Pre-Assembly Report*, are noted similarly, with a page citation. Unless otherwise noted, favorable action requires a majority vote of those voting members present and voting.

### Section V: Recommendations of the Church Council

- Adoption of Rules of Organization and Procedure
- Election of the Presiding Bishop
- Election of the Secretary
- 2019 Rationale for Amendments
- Amendments to the Constitutions of the ELCA
- “Faith, Sexism, and Justice: A Lutheran Call to Action”
- “A Declaration of Inter-Religious Commitment”
- Archival of Certain Social Policy Resolutions
- Strategy Toward Authentic Diversity within the ELCA
- 2020–2022 Budget Proposal

### Section VI: Other Assembly-Related Documents

- Declaration of the ELCA to People of African Descent
- User’s Guide for “Faith, Sexism, and Justice: A Lutheran Call to Action”
- Human Rights social message
- Future Directions 2025*
- “Policies and Procedures of the ELCA for Addressing Social Concerns”
- Report and Recommendations of the Entrance Rite Discernment Group
- 2018 ELCA Churchwide Organization Operational Plan Report
- 60 Day Journey Toward Justice in a Culture of Gun Violence

### Section VII: Report of the Memorials Committee

- Report of the Memorials Committee

### Section VIII: Report of the Nominating Committee

- Report of the Nominating Committee

## Deadlines

### ***Monday, August 5, 2019***

- 9:45 p.m.** Separate consideration (removal from *en bloc*) of responses to synod memorials  
Proposed changes to the responses to synod memorials  
Separate consideration (removal from *en bloc*) of social policy resolutions proposed to be archived

### ***Tuesday, August 6, 2019***

- 10:45 a.m.** Separate consideration (removal from *en bloc*) of proposed general amendments to the *Constitutions, Bylaws and Continuing Resolutions of the ELCA*  
Proposed changes to the general amendments to the *Constitutions, Bylaws and Continuing Resolutions of the ELCA*  
Proposed amendments from the floor to the *Constitutions, Bylaws and Continuing Resolutions of the ELCA*  
Nominations from the floor
- 12:00 p.m.** Withdrawal from ballot for presiding bishop  
Submission of questions for presiding bishop nominee forum

### ***Wednesday, August 7, 2019***

- 8:30 a.m.** Proposed amendments to “A Declaration of Interreligious Commitment”  
Proposed amendments to “Strategy Toward Authentic Diversity within the ELCA”
- 11:00 a.m.** Non-germane resolutions  
Proposed amendments to the 2020-2022 budget proposal  
Proposed amendments to “Faith, Sexism, and Justice” social statement and implementing resolutions
- 2:15 p.m.** First common ballot

### ***Thursday, August 8, 2019***

- 12:00 a.m.** Withdrawal from ballot for secretary
- 2:15 p.m.** Second common ballot (if needed)
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## Elections

The Nominations Desk is located near the Registration Desk. It is open on Monday, August 5, 2019, from 12:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., on Tuesday, August 6, 2019, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and on Thursday, August 8, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

### Election deadlines

#### ***Tuesday, August 6, 2019***

- 10:45 a.m.** Nominations from the floor
- 12:00 p.m.** Withdrawal from ballot for presiding bishop  
Submission of questions for presiding bishop nominee forum

#### ***Wednesday, August 7, 2019***

- 2:15 p.m.** First common ballot

#### ***Thursday, August 8, 2019***

- 12:00 p.m.** Withdrawal from ballot for secretary
- 2:15 p.m.** Second common ballot (if needed)

Plenary Session One  
Beginning: 6:30 p.m.  
Ending: 9:30 p.m

Monday, August 5

Agenda Item	Reference	Recommended Action
Welcome and Order for Opening the Churchwide Assembly	Worship and Song	
Report: Credentials Committee	I: Rules of Organization and Procedure I: Roll of Assembly Members	
Greetings: Greater Milwaukee Synod		
Introduction of Local Chairs		
Introduction to Electronic Voting	I: Rules of Organization and Procedure	
Organization of Assembly <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Roll of Voting Members</li><li>• Assembly Committees</li><li>• Parliamentarian</li></ul>	I: Roll of Assembly Members I: Rules of Organization and Procedure	
Consideration: Rules of Organization and Procedure	I: Rules of Organization and Procedure	<b>Two-Thirds Vote Required</b> <b>I: Rules of Organization and Procedure, p. 2</b>
Consideration: Order of Business	<b>Recommendation for Assembly Action:</b> <b>To approve the Order of Business as the agenda of the 2019 Churchwide Assembly of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, in keeping with the provisions of the Rules of Organization and Procedure for the calling of items of business before the assembly.</b>	
Consideration: Church Council members as Churchwide Assembly voting members and move ELCA Endowment Fund to Chapter 17	V: Amendments to the Constitutions of the ELCA V: 2019 Rationale for Amendments	<b>Two-Thirds Vote Required</b> <b>Recommended for Assembly Action</b> <b>To adopt, en bloc, with the exception of such amendments as may be considered separately, the following amendments to the Constitutions, Bylaws, and Continuing Resolutions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America: 12.41.16., 12.41.17., and 17.60. through 17.60.B19.</b>

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Report: *Always Being Made New:  
The Campaign for the ELCA*

III: *Always Being Made New: The Campaign for the ELCA*

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First ballot for Presiding Bishop

I: Rules of Organization and Procedure  
V: Election of the Presiding Bishop

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Hymn and Prayer

Worship and Song

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**OFFICIAL NOTICES: REMOVAL OF RESPONSES TO MEMORIALS AND SOCIAL POLICY  
RESOLUTIONS TO BE ARCHIVED FROM THE  
EN BLOC MOTION;**

**9:45 p.m., August 5**

**SUBMISSION OF SUBSTITUTE RESPONSES TO MEMORIALS**

*Deadline for electronic or paper form submission of notification to the secretary for requests for the removal of responses to synod memorials and social policy resolutions to be archived from the en bloc motion for separate consideration, or for offering amendments or substitute responses to synod memorials. Such notice may be submitted electronically through the ELCA Guidebook app or in paper form to the secretary's deputy, seated during the plenary session to the left (presider's side) of the speakers' platform.*

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**Plenary Session Two**  
**Beginning: 8:30 a.m.**  
**Ending: 10:30 a.m.**

**Tuesday, August 6**

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Reference</b>	<b>Recommended Action</b>
Morning Prayer	Worship and Song	
Elections Report: First Ballot for Presiding Bishop	V: Election of the Presiding Bishop X: Results of the First Ballot for Presiding Bishop	
Report: Nominating Committee	VIII: Nominating Committee	
Introduction: recommended proposed social statement “Faith, Sexism, and Justice”	V: Recommended Proposed Social Statement “Faith, Sexism, and Justice: A Lutheran Call to Action” VI: User’s Guide for “Faith, Sexism, and Justice”	
Video: <i>Hear My Voice: A Prison Prayer Book</i>		
Introduction: 2020-2022 budget proposal	V: 2020-2022 Budget Proposal	
Reports: Vice President and Church Council	II: Report of the Vice President V: Recommendations of the Church Council XI: Report of the Church Council	
Presentation: “Declaration of the ELCA to People of African Descent”	VI: “Declaration of the ELCA to People of African Descent”	
Announcements		
Prayer		

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**OFFICIAL NOTICES: REMOVAL OF AMENDMENTS FROM THE *EN BLOC* MOTION REGARDING  
10:45 a.m., August 6      GENERAL AMENDMENTS TO GOVERNING DOCUMENTS;  
CHANGES TO GENERAL AMENDMENTS TO GOVERNING DOCUMENTS;  
OTHER PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE GOVERNING DOCUMENTS;  
FLOOR NOMINATIONS**

*Deadline for submission to the secretary of requests for removal from the en bloc motion related to proposed general amendments for the Constitutions, Bylaws, and Continuing Resolutions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Such notice may be submitted electronically through the ELCA Guidebook app in paper form to the secretary's deputy, seated during the plenary session to the left (presider's side) of the speakers' platform.*

*Deadline for submission to the secretary of substitute proposals to proposed general amendments for the Constitutions, Bylaws, and Continuing Resolutions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Such notice may be submitted electronically through the ELCA Guidebook app or in paper form to the secretary's deputy, seated during the plenary session to the left (presider's side) of the speakers' platform.*

*Deadline for submission to the secretary of proposals to amend the Constitutions, Bylaws, and Continuing Resolutions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Such notice may be submitted electronically through the ELCA Guidebook app or in paper form to the secretary's deputy, seated during the plenary session to the left (presider's side) of the speakers' platform.*

*Deadline for submission to the secretary of nominations to the Church Council, churchwide boards and committees. Nominations may be filed electronically through the ELCA Guidebook app or in paper form at the Nominations Desk (near the registration desk).*

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**OFFICIAL NOTICE: WITHDRAWAL FROM BALLOT FOR PRESIDING BISHOP  
12:00 p.m., August 6      QUESTIONS FOR PRESIDING BISHOP NOMINEE FORUM**

*Deadline for those nominated on the first ballot for presiding bishop to notify the secretary they wish to withdraw their name from consideration on the second ballot for presiding bishop. Such notice may be submitted in paper form to the Nominations Desk, electronically via email (nominations@elca.org), or by phone in the hearing of two members of the elections committee.*

*Deadline for submitting questions for the presiding bishop nominee forum. The form entitled "Questions for Nominees for Presiding Bishop" can be submitted electronically through the ELCA Guidebook app or in paper form to the secretary's deputy, seated during the plenary session to the left (presider's side) of the speakers' platform.*

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## Plenary Session Three

Beginning: 2:30 p.m.

Ending: 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 6

Agenda Item	Reference	Recommended Action	
Hymn	Worship and Song		
Second ballot for Presiding Bishop	I: Rules of Organization and Procedure V: Election of the Presiding Bishop		
Greeting: Federal Chaplain	III: Federal Chaplaincy Ministries		
Greeting   Video: Mission Investment Fund	IV: Mission Investment Fund		
Report: Conference of Bishops			
Report: Memorials Committee		<b>VII: Report of the Memorials Committee, p. 1</b>	
Greeting   Video: Endowment Fund of the ELCA	IV: Endowment Fund of the ELCA (ELCA Foundation)		
Introduction: “A Declaration of Inter-Religious Commitment”	V: “A Declaration of Inter-Religious Commitment”		
Greeting: Evangelical Church of the Lutheran Confession in Brazil			
Orientation to Hearings	I: Rules of Organization and Procedure		
<p><i>5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Word and Service Entrance Rite</li> <li>• Budget</li> <li>• Network of ELCA Colleges and Universities</li> <li>• Interreligious Policy Statement</li> <li>• “Faith, Sexism, and Justice” Social Statement</li> <li>• Declaration to People of African Descent</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Room 102 A/B</li> <li>Room 201 A</li> <li>Room 201 B</li> <li>Room 103 D/E</li> <li>102 C</li> <li>Room 102 D/E</li> </ul>	<p><i>7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interreligious Policy Statement (repeat)</li> <li>• ELCA World Hunger</li> <li>• “Faith, Sexism, and Justice” social statement (repeat)</li> <li>• Theological Education</li> <li>• AMMPARO Strategy</li> <li>• “Strategy Toward Authentic Diversity within the ELCA”</li> <li>• Updating <i>Vision and Expectations</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Room 103 D/E</li> <li>Room 201 C</li> <li>Room 102 C</li> <li>Room 201 A</li> <li>Room 102 D/E</li> <li>Room 201 B</li> <li>Room 102 A/B</li> </ul>



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Elections Report:  
Second Ballot for Presiding Bishop

V: Election of the Presiding Bishop  
X: Results of the Second Ballot for Presiding Bishop

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Announcements

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Hymn and Prayer

Worship and Song

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Plenary Session Four  
Beginning: 8:30 a.m.  
Ending: 10:45 a.m.

Wednesday, August 7

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<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Reference</b>	<b>Recommended Action</b>
Morning Prayer	Worship and Song	
Presiding Bishop Nominees Forum	V: Election of the Presiding Bishop X: Biographical Information for Nominees for Presiding Bishop	
Speeches by Presiding Bishop Nominees	V: Election of the Presiding Bishop X: Biographical Information for Nominees for Presiding Bishop	
Elections Committee: First Common Ballot	VIII: Report of the Nominating Committee	
Third Ballot for Presiding Bishop	I: Rules of Organization and Procedure V: Election of the Presiding Bishop X: Report of the Elections Committee	
Elections Report: Third Ballot for Presiding Bishop	V: Election of the Presiding Bishop X: Results of the Third Ballot for Presiding Bishop	
Announcements		
Prayer		

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**OFFICIAL NOTICE: AMENDMENTS TO DOCUMENTS**

**8:30 a.m., August 7**

*Proposed amendments to “A Declaration of Interreligious Commitment”  
Proposed amendments to “Strategy Toward Authentic Diversity within the ELCA”*

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**OFFICIAL NOTICES: NON-GERMANE RESOLUTIONS;  
11:00 a.m., August 7 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE 2020-2022 BUDGET PROPOSAL;  
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE RECOMMENDED PROPOSED SOCIAL  
STATEMENT “FAITH, SEXISM, AND JUSTICE” AND IMPLEMENTING  
RESOLUTIONS**

*Deadline for submission to the secretary of resolutions not germane to matters before the assembly or on the assembly agenda. Such notice may be submitted electronically through the ELCA Guidebook app or in paper form to the secretary’s deputy, seated during the plenary session to the left (presider’s side) of the speakers’ platform.*

*Deadline for submission to the secretary of proposed amendments to the 2020-2022 Budget Proposal. Such notice may be submitted electronically through the ELCA Guidebook app or in paper form to the secretary’s deputy, seated during the plenary session to the left (presider’s side) of the speakers’ platform.*

*Deadline for submission to the secretary of proposed amendments to the recommended proposed social statement “Faith, Sexism, and Justice: A Lutheran Call to Action” and implementing resolutions. Such notice may be submitted electronically through the ELCA Guidebook app or in paper form to the secretary’s deputy, seated during the plenary session to the left (presider’s side) of the speakers’ platform.*

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**OFFICIAL NOTICE: FIRST COMMON BALLOT**

**2:15 p.m., August 7**

*Deadline for submission of the First Common Ballot. After this time, the polls are closed and no further ballots shall be transmitted to the Elections Committee. Completed ballots may be turned into the ballot stations located in the plenary hall.*

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Plenary Session Five  
Beginning: 2:30 p.m.  
Ending: 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, August 7

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Reference</b>	<b>Recommended Action</b>
Hymn	Worship and Song	
Presiding Bishop Nominees Q&A	V: Election of the Presiding Bishop X: Biographical Information for Nominees for Presiding Bishop	
Fourth Ballot for Presiding Bishop	I: Rules of Organization and Procedure V: Election of the Presiding Bishop X: Report of the Elections Committee	
Elections Report: Fourth Ballot for Presiding Bishop	V: Election of the Presiding Bishop X: Results of the Fourth Ballot for Presiding Bishop	
Greeting   Video: Board of Pensions	IV: Board of Pensions (Portico Benefit Services)	
College Corporation Meeting	Other: 2019 College Corporation Meetings	
Report of the Secretary	II: Report of the Secretary	
Recognition of Secretary's Service		
Fifth Ballot for Presiding Bishop	I: Rules of Organization and Procedure V: Election of the Presiding Bishop X: Report of the Elections Committee	
Elections Report: Fifth Ballot for Presiding Bishop	V: Election of the Presiding Bishop X: Results of the Fifth Ballot for Presiding Bishop	
Response from Presiding Bishop-elect		
Greeting   Video: Publishing House of the ELCA	IV: Publishing House of the ELCA (1517 Media)	
First Ballot for Secretary	I: Rules of Organization and Procedure V: Election of the Secretary	

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*Always Being Made New: Campaign for the ELCA* thanks and invitation

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Hymn and Prayer

Worship and Song

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Plenary Session Six  
Beginning: 8:30 a.m.  
Ending: 10:30 a.m.

Thursday, August 8

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Reference</u>	<u>Recommended Action</u>
Morning Prayer	Worship and Song	
Greeting: World Council of Churches		
Report: Reference and Counsel Committee	IX: Report of the Reference and Counsel Committee	
Elections Report: First Ballot for Secretary	V: Election of the Secretary X: Results of the First Ballot for Secretary	
Report: Presiding Bishop and Churchwide Organization	II. Report of the Presiding Bishop III: Reports of the Churchwide Organization	
Elections Report: First Common Ballot	X: First Common Ballot	
Second Common Ballot	VIII: Report of the Nominating Committee	
Report: Memorials Committee		<b>VII: Report of the Memorials Committee</b>
Announcements		
Prayer		

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**OFFICIAL NOTICE: WITHDRAWAL FROM BALLOT FOR SECRETARY**

**12:00 p.m., August 8**

*Deadline for those nominated on the first ballot for secretary to notify the secretary they wish to withdraw their name from consideration on the second ballot for secretary. Such notice may be submitted in paper form to the Nominations Desk, electronically via email (nominations@elca.org), or by phone in the hearing of two members of the elections committee.*

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**OFFICIAL NOTICE: SECOND COMMON BALLOT (if needed)**

**2:15 p.m., August 8**

*Deadline for submission of the Second Common Ballot. After this time, the polls are closed and no further ballots shall be transmitted to the Elections Committee.*

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Plenary Session Seven  
 Beginning: 2:30 p.m.  
 Ending: 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, August 8

Agenda Item	Reference	Recommended Action
Hymn and Prayer	Worship and Song	
Second Ballot for Secretary	I: Rules of Organization and Procedure V: Election of the Secretary	
Recognition of Ecumenical Anniversaries		
Ecumenical Greetings		
Litany of Confession		
Interreligious Greetings		
Recognition of Ecumenical and Interreligious Guests		
Consideration: “A Declaration of Inter-Religious Commitment”	V: “A Declaration of Inter-Religious Commitment”	<b>V: “A Declaration of Inter-Religious Commitment” p. 1</b>
Report: Treasurer	II: Report of the Treasurer	
Consideration: 2020–2022 Budget	V: 2020–2022 Budget Proposal	<b>V: 2020–2022 Budget Proposal, p. 1</b>
Greetings: Lutheran World Federation		
Report: Reference and Counsel	IX: Report of the Reference and Counsel Committee	
Greeting   Video: Women of the ELCA	IV: Women of the ELCA	
Elections Report: Second Ballot for Secretary	V: Election of the Secretary X: Results of the Second Ballot for Secretary	
Announcements   Hymn and Prayer	Worship and Song	



Plenary Session Eight  
Beginning: 8:30 a.m.  
Ending: 10:30 a.m.

Friday, August 9

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Reference</u>	<u>Recommended Action</u>
Morning Prayer	Worship and Song	
Secretary Nominees Forum	V: Election of the Secretary X: Biographical Information for Nominees for Secretary	
Consideration: Recommended Proposed Social Statement “Faith, Sexism, and Justice: A Lutheran Call to Action”	V: “Faith, Sexism, and Justice: A Lutheran Call to Action”	<b>V: “Faith, Sexism, and Justice: A Lutheran Call to Action” recommended proposed social statement, p. 1</b>
Consideration: Implementing Resolutions		<b>V: “Faith, Sexism, and Justice,” implementing resolutions p. 1–3</b>
50th Anniversary of the Ordination of Women to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament: The Rev. April Larson		
Third Ballot for Secretary	I: Rules of Organization and Procedure V: Election of the Secretary X: Report of the Elections Committee	
Elections Report: Third Ballot for Secretary	V: Election of the Secretary X: Results of the Third Ballot for Secretary	
Prayer		

Plenary Session Nine  
 Beginning: 2:30p.m.  
 Ending: 5:30 p.m.

Friday, August 9

Agenda Item	Reference	Recommended Action
Hymn	Worship and Song	
Speeches by nominees for secretary	V: Election of the Secretary X: Biographical Information for Nominees for Secretary	
Fourth Ballot for Secretary	I: Rules of Organization and Procedure V: Election of the Secretary X: Report of the Elections Committee	
Elections Report: Fourth Ballot for Secretary	V: Election of the Secretary X: Results of the Fourth Ballot for Secretary	
Strategy Toward Authentic Diversity within the ELCA	V: Strategy Toward Authentic Diversity within the ELCA	<b>V: Strategy Toward Authentic Diversity, p. 1</b>
Greeting: International Bishop		
Fifth Ballot for Secretary	I: Rules of Organization and Procedure V: Election of the Secretary X: Report of the Elections Committee	
Elections Report: Fifth Ballot for Secretary	V: Election of the Secretary X: Results of the Fifth Ballot for Secretary	
Response from the Secretary-elect		
Consideration: Amendments to Governing Documents	V: Amendments to the Constitutions of the ELCA	<b>Two-Thirds Vote Required V: Amendments to the Constitutions of the ELCA, p. 1</b>
Consideration: Amendments to Governing Documents removed from the above <i>en bloc</i> motion	V: General Amendments to the Constitutions of the ELCA	<b>Two-Thirds Vote Required</b>
Consideration: Archival of Certain Social Policy Resolutions	V: Archival of Certain Social Policy Resolutions	<b>V: Archival of Certain Social Policy Resolutions, p. 1</b>

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Report: Reference and Counsel Committee

VII: Report of the Reference and Counsel Committee

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Hymn and Prayer

Worship and Song

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**Plenary Session Ten**  
**Beginning: 10:30 a.m.**  
**Ending: 12:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, August 10**

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<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Reference</b>	<b>Recommended Action</b>
60 Day Journey Toward Justice in a Culture of Gun Violence	VI: 60 Day Journey Toward Justice in a Culture of Gun Violence Worship and Song	
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Update: Lutheran Disaster Response		
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Update: ELCA World Hunger		
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Report: Reference and Counsel Committee	IX: Report of the Reference and Counsel Committee	
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Unfinished Business		
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Honoring Outgoing Synod Bishops		
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Recognition of Church Council Members		
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Announcement of 2022 Churchwide Assembly		
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Order for the Closing of the Assembly	Worship and Song	
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