



Indiana-Kentucky Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
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 Secretary

Official Call: 30th Annual Indiana-Kentucky Synod Assembly
 June 1 – June 3, 2017
Formed – Reformed - Transformed

The 30th Annual Assembly of the Indiana-Kentucky Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America will be held Thursday, June 1, through Saturday, June 3, 2017, at the Northern Kentucky Convention Center in Covington, KY. Check-in/registration opens at 11:00 a.m. EDT on Thursday, June 1, with opening worship beginning at 1:00 p.m. EDT. The first plenary session will begin at 2:30 p.m. and the *Made New for Mission Banquet* will begin at 6:30 p.m., June 1, 2017.

Voting Members Representation Formula (Synod Council Action SC/2015/50):

- Each congregation shall elect two lay voting members (one male and one female) for the Indiana-Kentucky Synod Assembly.
- Additional voting members shall be elected following the chart below:

Congregational Baptized Membership	Number of additional voting members
351 - 700	1 (male or female)
701 - 1,000	2 (1 male, 1 female)
1,001 - 1,500	3 (male or female to balance representation)
More than 1,500	4 (male or female to balance representation)

- Congregations may send one additional voting member who is a person of color or person whose primary language is other than English.
- Congregations may send one additional voting member who is a youth (confirmed to age 17) or young adult (between 18 and 30).

Voting member representation shall be determined by the most recent congregational report on file with the ELCA and synod office. Any changes in congregational representation, including substitution, must be approved by the secretary of the synod, Judy Bush: jatully@sbcglobal.net.

Professional Leaders Representation

1. All ministers of Word and Sacrament and all ministers of Word and Service under call and on the roster of this synod in attendance at the IN-KY Synod Assembly shall be voting members (IN-KY Synod Constitution †S7.21a and b). Ministers of Word and Service are considered **in addition to** the voting membership of lay members from congregations.
2. All retired rostered ministers of this synod shall have the privilege of voice and vote at meetings of the IN-KY Synod Assembly (IN-KY Synod Bylaws S7.22.01 and S7.22.02).
3. By action of the IN-KY Synod Council (SC/2009/32), pastors from other traditions who are not currently rostered in the ELCA, but are serving congregations of the synod under appointment of the bishop as interim ministers must register as visitors and have voice but not a vote during the assembly. It is expected that the congregations being served by these ministers will cover the cost of their attendance.

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Registration Fees and Other Information

- ✦ The **registration fee is \$170.00** (which includes the Thursday banquet evening meal, Friday plated lunch, refreshment breaks, and all materials) per **voting member**.
- ✦ Fee for **registered visitors** is also **\$170.00**, which includes the Thursday banquet evening meal, Friday plated lunch, refreshment breaks, and materials.
- ✦ By action of the IN-KY Synod Council (SC/2017/7), **retired** professional leaders on the roster of this synod pay a reduced fee to attend the assembly - **\$85.00**.
- ✦ Fees for interim pastors are to be paid by the congregation(s) being served.
- ✦ Any congregation or voting member needing assistance with the registration fee must notify the IN-KY Synod Council Executive Committee of that need in writing by **April 15, 2017**, (mail to the synod office address, attention: IN-KY Synod Council Exec. Comm. or email the IN-KY Synod Council Secretary, Judy Bush: jatully@sbcglobal.net).

REGISTRATION DISCOUNT

Congregations are strongly encouraged to select their voting members early. Registration rates increase to \$200.00 after the early bird registration deadline, Friday, March 31, 2017.

Registration rates increase to \$100.00 for Retired Rostered Ministers after March 31, 2017.

Registration for the IN-KY Synod Assembly will open **Wednesday, February 8, 2017**. Please register online at <https://2017iksynodassembly.eventbrite.com>. You will also find a link to the assembly registration and hotel reservation page at <http://www.iksynod.org>. Assembly registration will close **Wednesday, May 10, 2017**. If you need assistance to register electronically, please call Sylvia Ore at (317) 253-3522.

LATE/ON-SITE REGISTRATION

After Wednesday, May 10, only on-site registration will be available. The fee will be **\$235.00** per registrant (**\$115.00** for Retired Rostered Ministers). Meals may not be guaranteed with on-site registration, but will only be available on a "first come, first served" basis as we receive cancellations.

In an effort to continue being good stewards of our earth's resources and our synod's move toward electronic communication, the Bulletin of Reports will be available as a FREE download on the Indiana-Kentucky Synod's web site: <http://www.iksynod.org> by May 2, 2017. Printed copies may be purchased for \$15.00 through the registration system.

Detailed assembly registration and hotel reservation information are included in this mailing, along with other important and helpful information.

We joyfully look forward to gathering in assembly in Covington, KY with all congregations represented.

*Grace and Peace,
Judy Bush, Secretary*