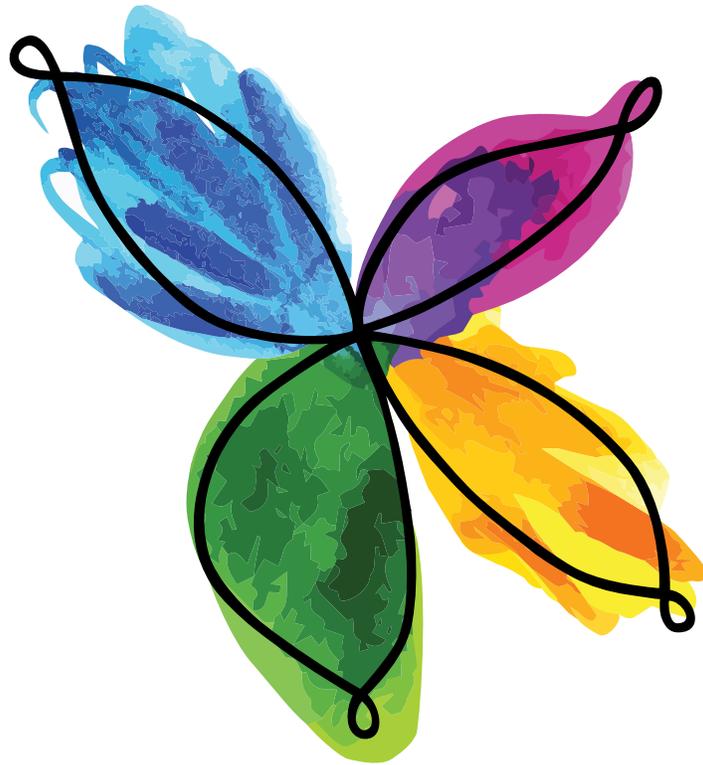


*Registration opens September 6*



*all anew*

**WOMEN OF THE ELCA**

TENTH TRIENNIAL GATHERING

JULY 13-16, 2017

Minneapolis, Minnesota

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"I am about to do a new thing . . ." *Isaiah 43:19*

The theme of our Tenth Triennial Gathering calls us to transformation, calls us to become All Anew. With our sisters, we will experience not only the power of the Holy Spirit, but the power of women gathered.

"I never knew the power of women gathered . . . until my first triennial," said Jessica Olson Miller, who attended her first gathering in 2005 and has never missed one since.

Newly pregnant at the time, Jessica said she was affirmed and encouraged during the four days she spent at the gathering — "four days of conversation, prayer, laughter, worship, praise, lament, challenge and invitation – to be women who act boldly on their faith."

"I now have a sacred pilgrimage every three years to this holy triennial gathering," she said. "My soul needs it."

***Your soul needs it, too.***

Because the Tenth Triennial Gathering falls during the observance of the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation, the theme resonates with reformation and transformation.

As participants, we will explore ways in which the Holy Spirit changes us, acknowledging that *reformation* and *transformation* have happened and continue to happen within the faith-filled community of women known as Women of the ELCA.

# Schedule at a glance

## Thursday, July 13, 2017

### 8 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Gathering and Run, Walk and Roll registration open

### 9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Exhibit hall open

### Various times

Optional tours

### 4 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Opening worship

### 5:30 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Opening reception

### 7:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Plenary one (includes Bible study and featured speakers)

### 9:30 p.m. – 11 p.m.

Lounge '70'80'90 (registration required)

## Friday, July 14, 2017

### 7 a.m.

Morning prayer

### 8 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Gathering and Run, Walk and Roll registration open

### 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Plenary two

### 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Exhibit hall open

### 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Learning opportunities

### 3:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Exhibit hall open

### 4 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Learning opportunities

### 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Book signings

### 7 p.m.

Evening prayer

## Saturday, July 15, 2017

### 7 a.m.

Morning prayer

### 6 a.m. – 8 a.m.

Run, Walk and Roll

### 8 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Gathering registration open

### 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Plenary three

### 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Exhibit hall open

### 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Pre-register for TG20

### 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Learning opportunities

### 3:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Exhibit hall open

### 4 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Learning opportunities

### 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Film screening

### 8 p.m.

Spirit Alive—an evening with the National Lutheran Choir (registration required)

## Sunday, July 16, 2017

### 9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Closing worship

Enjoy optional tours and post-gathering trips.

Explore Minneapolis on your own.



The reason I go to the triennial gathering is to meet women from all over the United States and abroad. I live in Alaska, so it's fun to see women who live on the East Coast, the West Coast, in the South and the North. And it's always fun to take part in the Run, Walk and Roll event.

—Karen Voris, Alaska

# Exploring All Anew

We'll gather under the theme *All Anew*, inviting every woman to explore personal and communal transformation. Through Bible study, worship, learning opportunities, song, film and art, we'll dig into our gathering verses and explore what it means to become All Anew and how we can carry our transformation into a world that seeks renewal.



**KELLY FRYER** will explore the *All Anew* theme through Bible study.

A pastor, teacher, entrepreneur and communicator, **Kelly Fryer** has more than 20 years of experience leading organizations and ministries. She has written several faith-

related books, including *Reclaiming the "L" Word: Renewing the Church from its Lutheran Core*.

Previously, Kelly taught leadership at Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minn., and co-founded A Renewal Enterprise, a national firm that helps values-based organizations work more effectively. Many key concerns for Women of the ELCA (women's health, ending human trafficking, working toward gender equity, racial justice, poverty, education) are part of Kelly's current work as the executive director of the Young Women's Christian Associations (YWCA) in southern Arizona.



**VONDA DREES** will respond to the theme *All Anew* through her art.

**Vonda Drees**, a creative contemplative, is the artist in residence for our Tenth Triennial Gathering. She will respond through her art to the words of our preachers and speakers and to other

happenings at the gathering.

She and her husband, Jim, are the executive directors of the Grünewald Guild in the Cascade Mountains of Washington. The Guild is a sanctuary for the exploration of art, faith and the mystery of creation. Vonda uses her artistic gifts and passion in the Guild's retreats, workshops and classes. Her past work includes developing immersions and liturgical resources for LEAD, a non-profit that equips Christian leaders for ministry. Her past experience with ARTreach in Houston, Texas, a non-profit organization delivering arts programs to special-needs groups, fed into her love of creating art in community.

## Always Thankful, All Anew

### ALWAYS THANKFUL, ALL ANEW

The triennial gathering of Women of the ELCA is one of the largest gatherings of adults in our church. Our sisters travel to triennial by plane, by bus, by train, by car . . . by the thousands. We women know that coming together in community to rejoice, to serve and to give is how we carry out our mission of mobilizing women to act boldly on our faith in Jesus Christ. And we're thankful for the opportunity!

We can give joyful thanks for the gathering of our beloved community of women created in the image of God in several ways—read on!

### THANKOFFERING

The opening worship service of the Tenth Triennial Gathering on Thursday evening, July 13, 2017, will be a Thankoffering service. Bring your congregation's Thankoffering, bring your circle's Thankoffering, bring your family's Thankoffering, bring your own Thankoffering!

You may also give Thankofferings online at [welca.org/give](http://welca.org/give). Click on "Where Needed Most," and choose Thankofferings. Or you may send your check to the address in the blue box on the bottom of page 5.

Additional speakers will be announced at [welcatg.org](http://welcatg.org) as they are confirmed.



**DEBRA GONSHER VINIK**  
*will lead a discussion of her documentary, "Beauty of Their Dreams."*

**Debra Gonsler Vinik** founded Diva Communications, Inc., a filmmaking, network news, research and corporate media company, in 1985. "Beauty

of Their Dreams" focuses on communities and individuals motivated by faith to help all girls get a chance to learn. She has produced and written 19 documentaries, of which eight have been nominated for Emmy awards and four have won the honors for Best Religious Programming. One of those films, "I Believe You," was shown at the Ninth Triennial Gathering in Charlotte, N.C.

In the last few years, Debra has concentrated on interfaith documentaries highlighting social justice issues. Her newest project examines the role of faith groups in immigration reform and refugee settlement.



**BRENDA MYERS-POWELL**  
*will discuss the Kim Longinotto film "Dreamcatcher," a documentary of Brenda's life.*

**Brenda Myers-Powell** is co-founder and executive director of the Dreamcatcher Foundation. Born in Chicago,

Brenda is a survivor of sexual abuse, drugs and prostitution. Through her work, she delivers high-energy messages that help people break the chains of oppression.

Brenda, whose mother died when she was an infant, faced abuse at the hands of trusted family members. At 14, she escaped her abusive home and fell into prostitution. Her experience as a runaway teenager and survivor makes her an advocate to young girls. Brenda's passion is to help young women avoid the trauma she experienced in her 25 years as a teenage and adult prostitute.

## CLOSING WORSHIP OFFERING

The closing worship service of the Tenth Triennial Gathering on Sunday morning, July 16, 2017, will include a joyful offering, to be divided as follows:

**25%**  
PV for  
Phebe

**25%**  
Cherish All  
Children

**50%**  
Women of  
the ELCA

**Phebe Hospital** in rural Liberia was founded in 1921 by the Lutheran church in partnership with Methodist and Episcopal churches. The hospital is without reliable power and needs \$624,000 to install solar power, which would replace outdated generators. The idea for the project grew out the Women of the ELCA's 25th anniversary trip to Liberia, and the Northeastern Minnesota Synodical Women's Organization has led the way.

**Cherish All Children** is a social ministry organization affiliated with the ELCA whose purpose is to equip congregations to prevent sexual exploitation of children.

## FRIENDS OF THE TRIENNIAL GATHERING

Friends of the Triennial Gathering who give \$500 or more may have the name of their circle, congregational unit, cluster/conference or synodical women's organization posted on our wall of fame at the triennial.

Friends of the Triennial Gathering can give online in any amount at [GiveMN.org](http://GiveMN.org) or as you complete your registration form. (Give online at <http://bit.ly/giveWELCA>.) For acknowledgment of a \$500 gift, please indicate the name of the circle, unit, cluster/conference or synodical women's organization, along with the city and state.

**Make checks out to: Women of the ELCA.**

Write "Thankoffering," "Closing Worship," or "Friend of the Triennial Gathering" on the memo line.

**Mail checks to:** Women of the ELCA  
ELCA Gift Processing Center  
P.O. Box 1809  
Merrifield VA 22116-8009



# Always Learning

Learning opportunities take multiple forms at our triennial gathering. Whether you attend a workshop, view a film or engage in a servant project, these learning opportunities allow you to grow your faith, explore new possibilities and connect with other women. Complete information can be found at [welcatg.org](http://welcatg.org), and additional opportunities will be posted there as they are confirmed.

## Dreamcatcher



“Dreamcatcher” is a documentary about a former Chicago prostitute, Brenda Myers-Powell, who runs a charitable organization that helps women and teenage girls leave the sex industry and break the cycle of abuse and exploitation.

## Beauty of Their Dreams

“Beauty of Their Dreams” documents what faith groups are doing to support girls’ education globally. The film focuses on spiritual communities and individuals motivated by faith to help all girls have the chance to learn.

## Women of the Hebrew Bible

Revisit key stories about biblical women, think deeply about how we read and understand these stories and discuss the ancient and contemporary matters of being a woman.

## Simple acts, sacred living

Explore many ways of engaging with the Spirit that breathes through us and holds us in living the extraordinary in the midst of the ordinary.

## End trafficking

Come learn ideas and best practices to end trafficking, gleaned from congregations using Cherish All Children’s mission model: Pray, Educate, Connect and Act.



I go (to the gathering) for the energy of thousands of women coming together, supporting each other, praising God in worship, going to workshops to get educated and listening to some fantastic speakers from across the country and around the world. Women coming together . . . praising God and moving the kingdom forward.

—Gwen King, Pennsylvania

## Writing our way

Reflect on the new and holy possibilities emerging in your heart and life while learning a spiritual practice of writing, for writers and non-writers alike.

## Intercultural competency

Explore an assessment tool, the Intercultural Development Inventory, and its use in developing intercultural competency. Learn from real-life experiences.

## Make global connections

Accompaniment is a model of companionship with our global family that teaches us to walk with each other. Come share time with our international guests representing companion synod relationships around the globe.



## Finding new meaning in biblical stories

What do we hear in the biblical stories? Come explore how people around the world empathize with different characters, drawing different implications for their lives.

## Bold in action, bold in benevolence

When women gather together, wonderful things happen. How can circles of women act boldly together on Christ's call to generosity in service and benevolence? Let's talk about it.

## Living an abundant life without shame

Jesus came that we might have life and have it abundantly. So, how can we do that when we have shame? We'll talk about body shame, age shame and other ways that shame keeps us from living an abundant life.

## Gifts of discipleship

Learn to use the five gifts of discipleship in living out your faith in daily life and exploring your vocation as a baptized child of God.

## Engage in environmental issues

In Alice's Garden, a replica of a Milwaukee, Wis., community garden, you'll see how "growing your own vegetables" can transform a community. You'll also see how solar energy works, thanks to a demonstration by RREAL (Rural Renewable Energy Alliance).

## Use your hands to share a gift

Join in piecing and tying mission quilts while sharing stories and learning about the mission and ministry of Lutheran World Relief quilts and kits program. In the sewing space, you'll also have an opportunity to support a new project, Days for Girls International ([daysforgirls.org](http://daysforgirls.org)).



## Raise healthy communities

Learn about Women of the ELCA's Raising Up Healthy Women and Girls initiative while experiencing a seed grant recipient's "Girl Talk" program. Find out how to replicate the program and take it home to your community.

## Girls Space: Understand All Anew



This was so popular at the Ninth Triennial Gathering in Charlotte, N.C., that we will again host a Girls Space for our younger sisters (ages 6 to 18). The space will offer a guided program for girls to navigate and understand our theme, All Anew, and realize that they, too, can live a transformational life.

## Pre-register for the 2020 gathering

All those attending the gathering in Minneapolis will have the opportunity to pre-register for the Eleventh Triennial Gathering in Phoenix, Ariz., at the **special reduced rate** of \$245. Everyone who pre-registers will be entered into a drawing for a free round-trip ticket to the gathering from anywhere in the continental United States and a free hotel stay for the gathering. The first 100 people to register will also receive a free gift. Your pre-registration will be nonrefundable, but it can be transferred to another person without penalty.

Download additional copies of this All Anew registration book at [welcatg.org](http://welcatg.org).

# Always Learning

## ADVANCE PLANNING REQUIRED

These opportunities require advance commitment on your part. If you're interested, sign up through the registration form. More information can be found at [welcatg.org](http://welcatg.org).

### Sing out loud

Make a joyful noise with other participants in our gathering choir and worship on Sunday. Sign up on the registration form if you are interested.

### Receive continuing education credits

Continuing Education Units (CEUs) are available for both church professionals and lay people. (\$25 fee, certificate provided). Learning opportunities eligible for CEUs include workshops and plenary sessions. Every 10 hours spent in one of these learning opportunities earns one CEU. For more information, contact Vanessa Davis-Bragg at [Vanessa.Davis@elca.org](mailto:Vanessa.Davis@elca.org) or 800-638-3522, ext. 2702.

### Spirit Alive—an evening with the National Lutheran Choir

Friday evening you are invited to enjoy a concert by the Twin Cities-based National Lutheran Choir combined with a hymn sing at the historic downtown Central Lutheran Church, adjacent to the Minneapolis Convention Center. Seating is limited and tickets are required. Purchase your ticket on the registration form.



### Sign up for Run, Walk and Roll



Sign up for Saturday's early morning Run, Walk and Roll in Loring Park just blocks from the three gathering hotels. The \$30 registration fee supports our health initiative Raising Up Healthy Women and Girls. Visit [welcatg.org](http://welcatg.org) for an online pledge kit and to find other options for supporting Raising Up Healthy Women and Girls.

### Visit Lounge '70 '80 '90



Enjoy a gathering especially for women born in the 1970s, '80s and '90s. We'll share conversation and dessert while listening to our favorite hits from those eras. Jelly shoes, acid-wash jeans and other fluorescent clothing encouraged. (\$20 fee, cash bar)

## STARTING NOW

Engage our gathering theme in new and different ways before you even leave home. Working alone or in groups, you can make a quilt, create a finger labyrinth, color the All Anew coloring sheet, worship with our free downloadable online devotionals or gather in-kind gifts. These are great activities to expand the scope of the gathering, drawing women in who won't be able to gather in Minneapolis. Visit [welcatg.org](http://welcatg.org) for more information.

### Quilt challenge

Quilters of all abilities are invited to create a quilt interpreting the gathering theme in a black and white challenge where you can use just one other color. Entries will be judged by women from the Minnesota Quilters Guild. For complete instructions, visit [welcatg.org](http://welcatg.org).

### Finger labyrinth collection



Fiber artists will unite in making finger labyrinths. Quilted, knitted, embroidered, felted or crocheted, there's a pattern for everyone. We're hoping to collect over 5,000 finger labyrinths. For complete instructions, visit [welcatg.org](http://welcatg.org).



I'm totally promoting the triennial gathering because it's in my home town. When I showed some people the logo, one of the women said, "Wow, that's going to be my next tattoo." And thought, "You know, that would work." I've never had a tattoo, and I thought that would be a great way to show my support, not to mention that the theme All Anew describes my life every day.

— Nancy Giddings, Minnesota

### Give to the community: In-kind gifts

Giving in-kind gifts at the gathering is a tradition that positively impacts the host city. At the Ninth Triennial Gathering in 2014, you provided the greater Charlotte area with \$17,765 in gift cards and more than 10,000 toiletry and clothing items. You will have a chance to meet the 2017 in-kind gift recipients in the exhibit hall where they will lead servant events. Visit [welcatg.org](http://welcatg.org) for a list of the in-kind gifts and ways you can start encouraging your unit to begin collecting them early.



### Explore the All Anew theme

Enjoy the meditative properties of coloring. Explore our Tenth Triennial Gathering theme with free downloadable devotionals at [welcatg.org](http://welcatg.org). Find other coloring options there as well.





# Explore Minnesota with these optional tours

Come early or stay late to explore Minneapolis and the surrounding area. A selection of tours awaits you. These tours, ranging in time from two to six hours, are offered on Thursday, July 13, and some again on Sunday, July 16. For complete information about the tours, visit [welcatg.org](http://welcatg.org).

## Twin Cities Highlight Tour

A three-hour bus tour showcases what makes the Twin Cities great and includes a short stop at Minnehaha Falls to see Minnesota's oldest tourist attraction.

## Stillwater: The Birthplace of Minnesota

Located on the St. Croix River, Stillwater lays claim to be Minnesota's oldest town and the birthplace of the Minnesota Territory in 1849. This six-hour tour includes lunch and time for shopping.

## Historic Saint Paul

Magnificent Art Deco and Victorian reminders of the past nestle next to sleek skyscrapers, giving this Capital City an Old World charm. This four-hour tour includes a visit to the Cathedral of Saint Paul, a stop for lunch at Café MN and a tour of the James J. Hill House.



## Walk About Town

Join us as we weave our way through the hustle and bustle of downtown Minneapolis. During this two-hour walking tour, we'll see skyscrapers, exciting attractions and take in the history and local culture of this vibrant city.

## Minnesota Landscape Arboretum Tour

This garden spans across more than 1,000 acres with 5,000 varieties of plants. Included is a tram tour to view annual and perennial gardens, a Japanese garden and natural areas including woodlands, prairie and marshes. Time to walk the gardens on your own is included.

## Lake Minnetonka Yacht Lunch Cruise

Experience a three-hour cruise on the beautiful waters of Lake Minnetonka aboard a custom built, 64-foot luxury yacht. Enjoy a complete lunch as you view the magnificent estates along Lake Minnetonka's 100 miles of lush green shoreline.

## Downtown Minneapolis Church Tour

Tour five notable church buildings, including Central Lutheran, Hennepin Avenue Methodist, St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral, the Basilica of St. Mary and Westminster Presbyterian Church.

## EXTENDED POST TOURS AVAILABLE TOO

We've arranged two post-gathering tours that allow you to explore the area in greater depth, both departing Minneapolis after closing worship on Sunday morning. For complete information about these tours, visit [welcatg.org](http://welcatg.org).

### North Shore Tour

Depart the Twin Cities via a deluxe motor coach for Duluth, Minn., followed by food, fellowship and fun. A visit to Glensheen Mansion, Gooseberry Falls State Park, Split Rock Light House & Vista Sightseeing Cruise are included.

### Mount Rushmore

From the Twin Cities to South Dakota, this four-night, five-day tour includes visits to the Corn Palace, the Badlands, the Circle B Ranch, Borglum Museum, Crazy Horse Memorial, Mount Rushmore, Wall Drug, Laura Ingalls Wilder Homestead and 1880s train ride.

## HOW TO REGISTER

Registration opens September 6, 2016. Early-bird registration ends January 6, 2017.

Complete two forms: Gathering Registration (pages 13–14) and Hotel Reservation Request (page 15).



### ONLINE

welcatg.org  
(credit card only)



### FAX

Fax completed forms (credit card only) to: 855-710-8061



### MAIL

Framework Meetings and Destinations  
Attn: Registration TG 2017  
2192 E. Grandview Drive  
Coeur d'Alene ID 83815

## REGISTRATION DETAILS

### Forms of payment accepted

**Check:** Made payable to Framework Meetings and Destinations in U.S. dollars and drawn on a U.S. bank.

**Credit Card:** MasterCard, VISA, Discover and American Express accepted.

**Please Note:** The charge to your credit card will appear on your statement as FRAMEWORK LLC.

### Payment for housing

Reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card. Your credit card may be charged at the discretion of your assigned hotel equal to the amount of one night's room and tax. Housing forms must be received no later than June 9, 2017.

Send both your registration and hotel reservation forms to the address above.

Separate payments should be submitted for each form. Registrations will not be accepted by phone. Completed registration forms must be received no later than June 9, 2017. After June 9, 2017, you will only be able to register online or on-site. This form may be copied for others to use. We recommend making a copy of your completed form for your records.

Questions about gathering programs and events can be directed to the director for meeting planning at Women of the ELCA, Gabriela Contreras at 800-638-3522, ext. 2747, or Gabriela.Contreras@elca.org.

### Confirmation

You will receive a confirmation of your registration by mail or by e-mail.

### Cancellations and refunds

A \$100 cancellation fee will apply if the cancellation request is received by June 1, 2017. From June 1 through June 9, a cancellation fee of \$200 will apply. No refunds will be given

after June 9. Registration cancellation requests must be submitted in writing to:

### Framework Meetings and Destinations

**Attn: Registration TG 2017**

**2192 E. Grandview Drive**

**Coeur d'Alene ID 83815**

**By Fax: 855-710-8061**

**By email: wendi@frameworkmeetings.com**

### Materials

You will receive gathering materials and program details when you sign in at the registration desk in Minneapolis. For additional assistance with registration or housing, please call 208-261-2210.

### Pre-paid transferrable triennial gathering registrations

Pre-paid registrations, purchased at a special discounted rate during the gathering in 2014 are not refundable but are transferable. Women of the ELCA may have several pre-paid registrations available for transfer to individuals interested in applying them to the 2017 Triennial Gathering. If you or someone you know would like to transfer a pre-paid registration, please contact Gabriela Contreras at 800-638-3522 ext. 2747 or Gabriela.Contreras@elca.org.

### Special needs

The following services are available:

- wheelchair-accessible rooms at the Minneapolis Convention Center and gathering hotels
- wheelchairs and scooters for rent
- wheelchair accessible shuttle service
- childcare

Please check the appropriate boxes on the registration form if you are interested. Information and fees will be provided for

## REGISTRATION DETAILS (continued)

rentals and shuttle services. All plenary sessions will be open captioned. We will make every attempt to seat people with hearing impairments near the front of workshop sessions. If you need translation services, please check the appropriate box on the registration form. We will attempt to make arrangements but cannot guarantee them at this time.

### Communion ware

Handmade glass communion ware is being created especially for the triennial gathering by two Minnesota women. A clear glass chalice with a touch of blue will be matched with a clear glass paten with a splash of color that is a stylized nod to the gathering logo. Order a set of this unique communion ware on the registration form.

## GETTING TO AND AROUND MINNEAPOLIS

### Air travel reservations

Minneapolis-Saint Paul International Airport (MSP) is a hub for Delta Airlines. It is serviced by 13 domestic passenger carriers and three foreign flag carriers, and offers more than 155 nonstop destinations around the globe with more than 500 departures and landings each day.

You can make your travel arrangements, if you wish, through the ELCA travel agency, Direct Travel. Direct might be able to find you more discounted fares on United, American and Delta. Call Direct Travel at 800-543-8016, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Central time. Direct Travel accepts most credit cards.

### Traveling by train

We are working with Amtrak to secure a discount on fares to Saint Paul, Minn. For further information, visit [welcatg.org](http://welcatg.org).

### Ground transportation from the airport

Transportation time to and from the Minneapolis-Saint Paul International Airport is about 10-15 minutes. Taxi service is available outside the baggage claim area for approximately \$39-\$49 each way.

For those with special needs, please indicate your need for wheelchair accessible shuttle service by checking the appropriate box on the registration form. We will send you information on providers and costs.

### Light Rail Transit

Light Rail Transit (LRT) trains stop at both airport Terminal 1-Lindbergh and Terminal 2-Humphrey and connect travelers to 17 other destinations, including downtown Minneapolis to the north and Mall of America to the south.

### Pictures and videotaping

Women of the ELCA will be taking pictures and videotaping at the gathering. By registering for this event, you give Women of the ELCA permission to use your image and comments in educational, informational and promotional materials in a variety of media, including electronic media.

### Food

A variety of dining, snacking and beverage options are located throughout the Minneapolis Convention Center and will be available for purchase. Options include The Craft Bar and Lounge, Dunn Bros, Mill City Grills and Mill City Market.

Trains run every 10 minutes during peak hours and typically every 10 to 15 minutes at other times of the day. From the airport, trains can take you to Mall of America in about 12 minutes and to the Warehouse District in downtown Minneapolis in about 25 minutes.

Tickets are sold at ticket machines at the rail stations.

Light rail fares for adults are \$2.25 during rush hours (Monday through Friday, 6 to 9 a.m. and 3 to 6:30 p.m. ) and \$1.75 at other times.

Reduced fares are available for seniors, children and people with disabilities. Children 5 and under ride free (limit 3) when accompanied by a paid fare.

For more information, visit the Metro Transit website, [www.metrotransit.org/light-rail](http://www.metrotransit.org/light-rail).

No ticket is needed to travel between airport terminal stations.

### Parking

#### Hyatt Regency Minneapolis

\$19.00/daily     \$38.00/valet

#### Hilton Minneapolis

\$14.00/daily     \$27.00/valet

#### Millennium Hotel Minneapolis

\$18.00/daily     \$32.00/valet

Prices subject to tax. All rates are current as of August 2016 and are subject to change.



# REGISTRATION FORM (CONTINUED)

## 4. OPTIONAL TOURS AND TRIPS

**Optional tours** (Please circle date and/or time where applicable.)

**TOTAL**

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Twin Cities Highlight Tour</b>	July 13 at 12 p.m. or July 16 at 1 p.m.	# people:	x \$40	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Stillwater: Birthplace of Minnesota</b>	July 13 at 9:30 a.m.	# people:	x \$75	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Historic Saint Paul</b>	July 13 at 11 a.m. or July 16 at 12 p.m.	# people:	x \$70	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Walk about Town</b>	July 13 at 11 a.m. or July 16 at 12 p.m.	# people:	x \$25	
	July 13 at 1:30 p.m. or July 16 at 2:30 p.m.	# people:	x \$25	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Minnesota Landscape Arboretum Tour</b>	July 13 at 10:30 a.m. or July 16 at 12:30 p.m.	# people:	x \$65	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Lake Minnetonka Yacht Lunch Cruise</b>	July 13 at 11 a.m. or July 16 at 11 a.m.	# people:	x \$105	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Downtown Minneapolis Church Tour</b>	July 13 at 12 p.m.	# people:	x \$40	

### Post-Gathering trips

single occupancy

double occupancy

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>North Shore Tour</b> (3-day trip) on July 16-18	# people:	x \$1,025	x \$750	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Mount Rushmore</b> (5-day trip) on July 16-20	# people:	x \$1,350	x \$995	

*Trips will be finalized based on current regional offerings and participation. Please note: A 35-person minimum is required on each trip.*

## 5. REGISTRATION FEES AND OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

All registration categories listed below include all gathering activities scheduled for July 13–16, except where additional fees are indicated.

REGISTRATION CATEGORIES	September 6, 2016 through January 6, 2017	After January 6, 2017	
<input type="checkbox"/> Adult Registration	\$310	\$350	
<input type="checkbox"/> Adult Friday Registration (one day only)	\$175	\$175	
<input type="checkbox"/> Adult Saturday Registration (one day only)	\$175	\$175	
<input type="checkbox"/> Girls 13–18	\$100	\$150	
<input type="checkbox"/> Child under 13	FREE	FREE	

### Optional activities

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Lounge '70'80'90</b> , July 13	# people:	x \$20	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Evening with National Lutheran Choir</b> , July 15	# people:	x \$25	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Run, Walk and Roll</b> , July 15	# people:	x \$30	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Continuing Education Units</b>	# people:	x \$20	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Commemorative Communion Ware</b>	# of sets:	x \$125	

### PAYMENT

- Check** (made payable to Framework Meetings and Destinations)  
 **VISA**    **MasterCard**    **Discover**    **American Express**

NAME AS IT APPEARS ON CARD (Please print)

ACCOUNT #

EXPIRATION DATE

BILLING ADDRESS (where monthly statement is mailed)

SIGNATURE

SECURITY CODE/CVV

<b>Registration fee</b>	\$ 5
<b>Be a Friend of the Gathering</b> (A gift in any amount is appreciated)	\$
<b>Total from Parts 4 and 5 above:</b>	\$
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT DUE</b>	\$

**I agree to pay the total amount of fees.**

# HOTEL RESERVATION REQUEST

## RESERVE ONLINE:

www.welcatg.org

## RESERVE BY PHONE:

9 a.m. – 3 p.m. CST, Mon – Fri  
1-888-947-2233 Domestic  
1-612-767-8200 International

Please have your credit card number and your arrival and departure dates ready.

## RESERVE BY MAIL:

Framework Meetings and Destinations  
Attn: Registration TG 2017  
2192 E. Grandview Drive  
Coeur d'Alene ID 83815

Both your registration **and** hotel reservation forms should be sent to the address above. **Separate payments should be submitted for each form.**

You may also email **housing@minneapolis.org** with any inquiries, changes or cancellations.

*Only submit room request(s) once. By submitting multiple methods, you risk duplicate reservations being made.*

- If more than one room is required, please photocopy this form to make additional requests.
- Only completed forms will be accepted.
- Room types are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.
- If your preferred hotel is not available, you will be assigned the next available property listed or the closest to the event.
- Allow up to 2 business days to receive your hotel acknowledgment. Review all information for accuracy.
- If you have not received your hotel acknowledgment by Friday, June 9, contact the WELCA Housing Department at [housing@minneapolis.org](mailto:housing@minneapolis.org).
- For those who guaranteed accommodations with a check deposit, refunds will be mailed after the end of the event.

**DEADLINE: FRIDAY, JUNE 9, 2017**

## CONTACT INFORMATION *Please print clearly to avoid delays in assignment.*

NAME

MAILING ADDRESS

MAILING ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

COUNTRY

PHONE

FAX

EMAIL ADDRESS\*

*\*Acknowledgments may not be received if email filters are in place, so please add [groupcampaigns@pkghlrss.com](mailto:groupcampaigns@pkghlrss.com) to your safe senders list.*

**HOTEL PREFERENCE** *Rates listed below are based on single/double room occupancy. Rates do not include applicable state and local taxes of 13.4%, subject to change.*

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|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Hilton Minneapolis–Headquarters Hotel \$162</b><br>2 blocks from the event | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Hyatt Regency \$165</b><br>2 blocks from the event | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Millennium Hotel Minneapolis \$169</b><br>1.5 blocks from the event |
|--|--|---|

## NAME(S) OF ALL OCCUPANTS SHARING ROOM, INCLUDING SELF:

Last Name	First Name	Arrival Date	Departure Date

*Maximum room occupancy is four (4) per city code. If you wish a second acknowledgment to be sent to someone other than the contact above, please provide email address:*

## ROOM TYPE REQUESTED

- |  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>King Bed</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>2 Double Beds</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Wheelchair Accessible</b>   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other</b>    | <b>Number of guests in room</b>               | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 |

*NOTE: All hotels are 100% non-smoking.*

## GUARANTEE/CANCELLATION POLICY

A major credit card number or a check for one night's room and tax is required to secure each room before a reservation can be processed. Early departures are subject to penalty fees set by the hotel. A charge of one (1) night's room and tax will be applied or forfeited if you do not cancel and do not arrive (no-show).

Cancellations after June 9, 2017, will be charged or forfeit a \$35.00 cancellation fee. Cancellations within 72 hours prior to the day of arrival will be charged first night's room and tax. **Credit cards will only be charged if cancelled within the penalty period.**

- American Express**    **VISA**    **MasterCard**    **Diner's Club**    **Discover**

CREDIT CARD NUMBER

EXP DATE

NAME PRINTED ON CARD

SIGNATURE

- Check Enclosed** Checks should be made payable to Meet Minneapolis. Deposit check must be received by Friday, June 9, 2017.

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- 1** You'll be made **All Anew** at the Tenth Triennial Gathering of Women of the ELCA!
- 2** You'll enliven your heart, excite your mind, enrich your spirit, and exercise your body.
- 3** Make friends with thousands of bold women from around the country and around the world.
- 4** You'll make a real **difference in people's lives** with your generous offering at Closing Worship, which will be divided among the PV for Phebe project, Cherish All Children, and the ongoing ministries of Women of the ELCA.
- 5** Learn so many great new ways to promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society and the world.
- 6** You'll meet so many of your favorite authors all in one place.
- 7** You'll be refreshed and renewed by gathering with thousands of other women who share our faith.
- 8** Bring home a tote bag full of fresh new ideas for ministry and action.
- 9** Worship together with thousands of Lutheran women.
- 10** Hear the Gathering choir raise the roof with our All Anew theme hymn, "Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading."