

SYNOD RESOURCE CENTER

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THREE SPECIAL EVENTS COMING UP!

Arranged by Catherine Slabaugh, Synod Communications & Connections Coordinator

Lutheran Social Services Livestream

Thursday, September 16th, 3:00pm

Facebook Event: <https://fb.me/e/1lbvwtM47>

Watch the Livestream: <https://www.youtube.com/user/SPSELCA/videos>

**Join us for a live conversation about Lutheran Social Services (LSS)
on Thursday, September 16th at 3:00pm.**

Bishop Megan Rohrer will host LSS CEO Dr. Carol Roberts and Program Manager Jason Sitar.

This conversation will be livestreamed via the Synod Facebook page, Synod YouTube page, Bishop Megan's Facebook page and Bishop Megan's YouTube page. We invite you to join us live and engage with us by asking questions in the chat box. This event is co-hosted by the Synod Resource Center.

Jason Sitar joined LSS of Northern California in 2008 as a case manager in the transition-aged youth supportive housing program. Through several promotions since that time, he is now the Program Manger overseeing LSS youth programs in the Sacramento area, including two HUD-funded rapid rehousing programs, a permanent supportive housing program, an extended foster care housing program, vocational programming and the recently instituted Prevention & Intervention and College Initiative programs. Jason has a passion for serving transitional-aged-youth and is committed to assisting individuals explore and define their goals and helping them to begin the journey towards self-sufficiency.

Carol Roberts has served as the President and CEO of LSS of Northern California since 2012. During her tenure, the organization has grown from a modest homeless services organization with programs in San Francisco, Sacramento, Concord and Stockton to serving nearly 4,000 individuals annually across eight Northern California counties. Current LSS programming includes supportive housing for families, seniors, adults with disabilities and other adults; transitional housing and extensive services for transition-age former foster youth and adults with HIV/AIDS; prevention and intervention services for vulnerable foster youth; vocational programming for youth (featuring two separate social enterprises); and financial management services for seniors and other vulnerable individuals.

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Bishop's Book Club: If God Still Breathes, Why Can't I?

Friday, September 24th, 5:00pm

Facebook Event: <https://fb.me/e/1Sb6Ok4CU>

Watch the Livestream: <https://www.youtube.com/user/SPSELCA/videos>

Join Bishop Megan and Author Angela Parker on Friday, September 24th at 5:00pm PT for our very first Bishop's Book Club, talking about the book "If God Still Breathes, Why Can't I?"

This conversation will be livestreamed via the Synod Facebook page, Synod YouTube page, Resource Center Facebook & YouTube pages, Bishop Megan's Facebook page and Bishop Megan's YouTube page.

We invite you to join us live and engage with us by asking questions in the chat box. The Bishop's Book Club is co-hosted with the Synod Resource Center and we look forward to sharing more about upcoming continued conversations about this book.

Discerning a Call to Ordained Ministry: What is Candidacy?

Monday, September 27th, 6:00 pm

Facebook Event: <https://fb.me/e/12MI6LrdK>

Watch the Livestream: <https://www.youtube.com/user/SPSELCA/videos>

This conversation will be livestreamed via the Synod Facebook page, Synod YouTube page and the Synod Resource Center Facebook page.

if you were ever curious about how people become Pastors and Deacons, or how you might consider a call to ordained ministry, join us on Monday, September 27th at 6:00pm for a live conversation! In the ELCA we know that all people are priests, and all vocations access the kingdom of God in this place. We also know that some people are called to ministry set apart. This call is internal and external. We call these vocations ministries of word and sacrament (Pastors) and ministries of word and service (Deacons). This conversation will be **led by Steve Wright**, Candidacy Director for the Sierra Pacific Synod, and **Pr. Manda Truchinski**, Assistant to the Bishop for Leadership. We invite you to join us live and engage with us by asking questions in the chat box. This event is co-hosted by the Synod Resource Center.

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