

ASSEMBLY LUNCH CONVERSATIONS

Indiana-Kentucky Synod Assembly 2009

Friday, June 5 – 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.

For those not participating in the Recognition Luncheon or checking out a Fort Wayne restaurant, lunch on Friday of the Synod Assembly provides opportunity for members of the assembly to participate in focused, informal conversations about topics and issues of interest to them. There is no need to sign up for these conversations, just grab your box lunch (ordered when you registered) and head to the designated room for a lively conversation with folks who share similar passions and concerns. Other conversations may emerge during the assembly and will be announced on the screens in the plenary hall.

Associates in Ministry, Deaconesses, Diaconal Ministers

Jefferson A

Associates in Ministry, Diaconal Ministers and Deaconesses: Please bring your lunch to meet and greet your colleagues in ministry. This is a good opportunity to network amongst ourselves and to discuss those issues that are of interest to those of us serving in lay rostered positions. Facilitator: Marceile Redmon

Book of Faith

Jefferson B

Has your congregation participated in a Book of Faith study? Are you thinking about it? Have you wondered what this Book of Faith thing is about? This conversation will encourage the sharing of stories and information as well as provide opportunity to explore the establishment of a synod Book of Faith network. Facilitator: Danielle Burrus, I-K Synod Communications Coordinator

Time for the Sex Talk

Jefferson C

When the I-K Synod held a daylong workshop on the ELCA's sexuality social statement in 2004, presenters made a bold declaration that God could indeed be on both sides of two diametrically opposed viewpoints. Now the ELCA Church Council has made recommendations to guide us in living in that balance, and a resolution will come before this body asking us to tell churchwide that we support council's advice. The issue is cumbersome and confusing, so we will try to provide some clarity: What does the statement say? Why are there several documents? What was the council's recommendation? What is meant by "bound conscience" and "structured flexibility"? We're aiming to clarify facts, not debate personal opinions. Facilitator: Deb Rieselman, Gloria Dei, Crestview Hills, KY