

# SIERRA PACIFIC SYNOD Twenty first Annual Assembly

April 25–27, 2008  
Oakland Convention Center  
(Updated Agenda, April 15)

## God's Work. Our Hands

*Items listed on the agenda do not necessarily follow in order listed in any given plenary. The order of the day may be interrupted for balloting for bishop.*

### **Friday, April 25**

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9- 1:00 pm	Registration
<b>11-noon</b>	<b>Hearings:</b> Resolutions & the Proposed Budget
12:15	Orientation for first-time Voting Members in the Simmons Ballroom
1:00 pm	<b>First Plenary Session: Opening of the Assembly</b> Welcome Credentials Report Adoption of the Agenda and Standing Rules Reception of Truckee Lutheran Presbyterian Church <b>First ballot for bishop, 75% needed to elect</b> <b>Dr Kathleen Hurty-Part One</b> Preview of the Proposed 2009 budget <b>Coaching for Congregations</b> <b>Bishop's Address</b> Introduction to Resolutions Process, Pr John Valentine Prayer
2:00 - 5:00 pm	(Registration Resumes)
4:00 - 5:00 pm	<b>District Caucuses</b>
5:00 - 6:45 pm	<b>Dinner Break</b>
6:00 - 8:00 pm	(Registration resumes)
7:00	<b>Second Plenary Session</b> Credentials/Elections Reports (if ready) <i>Candidates who do not wish to be included on the second ballot are given fifteen minutes to report to the Elections Committee Desk</i> Introduction of new clergy/AiMs <b>ELCA Report, David Swartling</b> <b>Second ballot for bishop—75% needed to elect</b> <i>Subsequent ballots for bishop will be brought to the floor as they become available.</i> Nominee Introductions for Synod Secretary, Synod Council, and 2009 Churchwide Assembly Ballot for above positions Resolutions Prayer (Pause for worship preparations) <b>Evening Prayer—Pr Gail Cromack presiding</b>

## Saturday, April 26

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7:30 am - 10:30 am	Registration
7:30 am	Chapel Eucharist, Pr Sarah Isakson presiding
8:30 am	<b>Third Plenary Session</b> Credentials/Elections report on 2 <sup>nd</sup> ballot <i>Those appearing on the 3<sup>rd</sup> ballot meet with Elections Committee for briefing on the process that will be followed.</i> Elections report (positions other than bishop) <b>Third ballot for bishop—67% needed to elect</b> <b>Dr Kathleen Hurty- Part Two</b> Recognition of Special Anniversaries, Congregations & Rostered Leaders Resolutions Prayer (Recess for hotel luncheon setup)
Noon to 1:30	<b>Luncheon honoring Bishop Mullen &amp; Staff</b>
2:00 pm	<b>Fourth Plenary Session</b> Credentials/Elections report on 3 <sup>rd</sup> ballot Questions & Response Time with candidates receiving 5% or more on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> ballot <b>Fourth ballot for bishop—60% needed to elect</b> Rwanda Genocide Memorial, Pr Lucy Kolin Second ballot as needed for other elections Dr Chris Kimball, President CLU Elections Report on 4 <sup>th</sup> ballot Prayer
4:00-5:30 pm	<i>Meet the Candidates -those with 5% or more on the 4<sup>th</sup> ballot.</i>
5:30-6:45 pm	Dinner Break
7:00 pm	<b>Fifth Plenary Session</b> Credentials/Elections report Candidates address the Assembly (three-minute statements) <b>Fifth ballot for bishop—simple majority needed to elect</b> Adoption of the 2009 Budget Elections report on 2 <sup>nd</sup> ballot for other positions and the 5 <sup>th</sup> ballot for bishop Candidates address the Assembly (five minutes each) <b>Sixth ballot for bishop—simple majority needed to elect</b> Resolutions (if necessary) Report on the sixth ballot <b>Seventh Ballot—2 candidates only</b> Prayer
10:00 pm	<b>Taizé prayers and healing -Chapel</b>

## Sunday, April 27

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7:30 am	Chapel Eucharist
8:30 am	<b>Sixth Plenary Session</b> Credentials/Elections report Synod Council At Large Nominees Ballot for Synod Council at large Synod Youth Committee Issues of Conscience Resolutions (if necessary) <b>Break to prepare for worship</b>
11:15 am	<b>Closing Eucharist— Bp Mullen presiding</b>