

Resources at your fingertips...literally!

OUR HANDS (and dollars) DOING GOD'S WORK IN THE WIDER CHURCH

ELCA Resources There are a wide range of downloadable resources available to members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. See links to all at: <http://www.elca.org/Resources> Printed copies of the resources may be ordered for delivery by selecting the "Items to Order" tab on each resource page. The following are several items that are likely to be items of special interest:

Stories of Faith in Action 2016

The handbook - every page a gem!

Online - <http://www.elca.org/Resources/Stories-of-Faith-in-Action>

- Download the handbook or bulletin inserts showing how your offering is used in the wider church and learn more about mission support. Or go directly to: [ELCA Good Gifts](#) Another great resources with great ideas and clips highlighting how your gifts will make a difference:

<https://community.elca.org/elca-good-gifts/congregational-resources>

Living Lutheran— <http://www.elca.org/Living-Lutheran>

Seeds for the Parish - the resource newspaper of the ELCA. Each issue contains articles about resources that can help congregations in their worship, service, and ministries; published six times annually.

<http://www.elca.org/en/Resources/Seeds-for-the-Parish>

ELCA Videos - Want to see how your gifts are making a difference in the lives of real people around the world? Visit

www.youtube.com/elcavideo for videos from ELCA World Hunger, the ELCA Malaria Campaign and more

Campaign for the ELCA resources Look for new resources — such as a campaign goals, annual themes, stories, videos, resources and annual reports — to help you learn more about the campaign and ways it is making a difference in our church and the world. See

<http://www.elca.org/Campaign-for-the-ELCA>

Our Faith in Action

- **Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services** - Opening hearts, opening doors for refugees <http://www.lirs.org/>
- **Justice** - Advocacy, AMMPARO Migrant Children, Congregation-based Community Organizing, Corporate Social Responsibility, ELCAvotes!, Faith, Science and Technology, Lutheran Office for World Community, Justice for Women, Peace Not Walls, Racial Justice Ministries, Social Issues <http://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Publicly-Engaged-Church/>
- **Service opportunities in the wider church** <http://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Publicly-Engaged-Church/Volunteer>
- **Lutheran World Relief projects** - www.lwr.org
- **Lutheran Volunteer Corps** - <http://www.lutheranvolunteercorps.org>
- **Mission Builders** - <http://www.elca.org/en/Our-Work/Related-Ministries/Mission-Builders>
- **Mission Interpreters**— <http://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Congregations-and-Synods/Stewardship/Mission-Interpretation>
- **Lutheran Outdoor Ministries** servant journeys - http://www.lomnetwork.org/resources/find_a_camp.html
- **Young Adults in Global Mission** One year international opportunity. <http://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Global-Church/Global-Mission/Young-Adults-in-Global-Mission>
- **Peace not walls** <http://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Publicly-Engaged-Church/Peace-Not-Walls>

Responding to the world

- **ELCA World Hunger** - this is loaded with stories, sermon starters, bulletin inserts, videos - great stuff! <http://elca.org/Our-Work/Relief-and-Development/ELCA-World-Hunger>
- **ELCA Global Mission** - there's enough here to fill bulletins,

newsletters, temple talks, forums...for a long time. Don't miss it!

<http://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Global-Church/Global-Mission>

- **Lutheran Disaster Response** - terrific site! Learn about our hands and dollars at work in the US and around the globe.
<http://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Relief-and-Development/Lutheran-Disaster-Response>
- **Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land**— learn about the many churches, schools and centers for peace.
<http://www.elcjh.org/>
- **Lutheran World Federation**—lots of resources including information about LWF Sunday <http://www.lutheranworld.org/>

Social Issues - Financial challenges, Family relations, Youth issues, Physical and emotional health, Aging issues

<http://www.elca.org/en/Our-Work/Publicly-Engaged-Church/Social-Issues/>

Social Statements - ELCA social statements are teaching and policy documents also guide our advocacy and work as a publically engaged church. They are available at - <http://www.elca.org/Faith/Faith-and-Society/Social-Statements>

Videos - The ELCA has a wide range of videos available by going to <https://www.youtube.com/user/ELCAVideo>

Augsburg Fortress, the ELCA publisher has many resources available on their site <http://www.augsburgfortress.org/>

**OUR HANDS (and dollars) DOING GOD'S WORK IN OUR
METROPOLITAN CHICAGO SYNOD**

<http://www.mtselca.org/>

On the synod web site above, click on "Resources" for a listing of many affiliated organizations. See also the drop-down menu under "Navigate the synod Web page". Be sure to see Mission Interpreters at

http://www.mtselca.org/what/stewardship/mission_interpreters/

We have a "Mission Interpreters – MCS" Facebook page that you can go to from the link on our page as well as much additional information including past "Mission Memos" and an electronic copy of this file.

See the ELCA's mission interpretation resources at
<http://www.elca.org/en/Our-Work/Congregations-and-Synods/Stewardship/Mission-Interpretation>

Metro-Chicago partners in mission

Lutheran Social Services of Illinois: <http://www.lssi.org>

Lutheran Campus Ministry: <http://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Related-Ministries/Campus-Ministry>

Companion Synod, S. Africa:
http://www.mtselca.org/who/companion_synod/

Holy Family Ministries— <http://www.holyfamilyministries.org/>

Lutherdale Bible Camp- <http://www.lutherdale.org/>

Lutheran Outdoor Ministry Center: <http://www.lomc.org/>

Bethel New Life, Inc: <http://www.bethelnewlife.org/>

Concordia Place: <http://www.concordiaplace.org>

Holy Family Ministries: <http://www.holyfamilyministries.org/>

Lutheran Volunteer Corps: <http://www.lutheranvolunteercorps.org/>

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