

**GUIDELINES FOR
SYNOD COMMISSION ON ECUMENICAL AND INTER-RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS (CEIA)
IN PREPARATION FOR
NATIONAL WORKSHOP ON CHRISTIAN UNITY**

LERN

1. Work with the Lutheran Ecumenical Representatives Network (LERN) member of the NWCU National Planning Committee (NPC) and the Lutheran member on the NWCU Local Planning Committee (LPC).

Synodical Bishop

2. Invite local ELCA Synodical Bishop to be involved in planning for the NWCU and LERN gatherings.
3. Determine Bishop's preference for key participation and relate that to the National Chair, Local Chair, and local LERN representative.
4. Encourage local Bishop's presence at the NWCU Opening Worship, LARC luncheon, LERN gatherings, and entire Workshop if possible.

Hospitality

5. Offer hospitality to Lutherans attending NWCU. Determine degree of hospitality, budget, funding source.
6. Coordinate time/dates for Lutheran hospitality with NPC, LPC, LERN. Provide all pertinent data to LPC person collecting data for NWCU brochure before NPC September meeting.

Publicity

7. Encourage local ELCA bishop to send letter to deans, clergy and congregations to take advantage of NWCU in area and participate.
8. Request Synodical Bishop to extend personal letter of invitation to ELCA Bishops in local Region (3-4 weeks prior to NWCU) to attend NWCU. Include RSVP request.
9. Provide NWCU information and brochure to Synod newsletter editor.
10. Develop bulletin announcement for use by local ELCA congregations and distribute to congregations.
11. Provide NWCU brochures to local ELCA clergy, AIMs, congregation presidents.
12. Note NWCU website for registration and schedule. www.NWCU.org

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