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Dear friends,

Welcome to Extravaganza 2024! And welcome to the City of New Orleans, a place rich in culture and history. This city is one of our favorite places to hold our event because there is so much to see and do, and because the hospitality of this community is legendary.

Our theme this year is "Dream." The imagery of dreams runs deep through the scriptures. There are stories of dreams and dreamers that inspire us to think about the way we do ministry and interact with the world. We believe that God has a dream for the world, and ultimately, we are called to work as a community to make that dream a reality.

Over these few days, we will explore how to do that. We are looking forward to a fun, lively conversation. Thank you for being here. And thank you for being the Network.

In Christ,



Todd Buegler
Executive Director

Spiritual Care at the E

We invite you to take time at the Extravaganza to renew your spirit and deepen your faith practices, as a part of our new Spiritual Care at the Extravaganza programming.

Prayer Chapel in Napoleon D1

Morning Devotions at 7:45am on Thursday, Friday & Saturday in Napoleon B1

Daily Chaplains - These spiritual leaders will be available for prayer and conversation throughout the day and especially following each General Session. These daily Chaplains will be identified with a black tee that they wear the day with the Network logo on the front and the words 'Event Chaplain' on the back.

Learn more at www.elcaymnet.org/spiritual-care-at-e

Extravaganza 2024 Schedule *(subject to change)*

Wednesday, January 17

8:30am-6:00pm: Gathering Synod Champions

9:00am-9:00pm: Formation Co-Op

11:30am-6:30pm: Early Registration/Check in - 5th Floor Registration

1:00pm-6:00pm: Intensive Care Courses (add-on):

The Naming Project: Developing LGBTQ-Inclusive Youth Ministry - Napoleon A1

Listening, Experimenting, Discerning: Leading Strategically in Unpredictable Times - Napoleon A2

How to Have a Great ELCA Youth Gathering - Napoleon B3

3:00pm-6:00pm: Network Board of Directors Meeting (closed meeting) - Ellendale

8:30pm-9:45pm: Early Arriver Happy Hour (Hotel Lobby Bar) *at own expense*

Thursday, January 18

7:30am-10:00pm: Prayer Chapel open - Napoleon D1

7:45am-8:15am: Morning Devotions - Napoleon B1

8:00am-3:00pm: Gathering Synod Champions (closed meeting)

8:15am-10:15am: Hospitality & Registration open - 5th Floor

9:00am-4:00pm: Intensive Care Courses:

The Naming Project: Developing LGBTQ-Inclusive Youth Ministry - Napoleon A1

Listening, Experimenting, Discerning: Leading Strategically in Unpredictable Times - Napoleon A2

How to Have a Great ELCA Youth Gathering - Napoleon B3

9:00am-4:00pm: Multicultural Initiative - Napoleon A3

9:00am-4:00pm: Formation Co-Op

9:00am-12:00pm: Network Board of Directors (closed meeting)

9:00am-10:30pm: Exhibit Hall open - 5th Floor Foyer

12:00pm-7:30pm: Hospitality & Registration open - 5th Floor

2:30pm-3:30pm: Early Bird Workshop Session #1 - 3rd Floor

3:45pm-4:45pm: Early Bird Workshop Session #2 - 3rd Floor

5:00pm-7:00pm: SYMBOL Reception (closed meeting)

5:00pm-5:30pm: First Timer's Welcome - Rodrigue Gallery, 1st Floor

5:30pm-7:00pm: First Timer's Dinner (additional fee) - meet in Lobby to walk to venue

7:30pm-9:00pm: General Session #1 - 5th Floor Grand Ballroom

9:00pm-10:30pm: Welcome Reception in the Grand Foyer

Friday, January 19

7:30am-10:00pm: Prayer Chapel open - Napoleon D1

7:45am-8:15am: Morning Devotions - Napoleon B1

8:00am-7:00pm: Exhibit Hall open

8:00am-12:15pm: Hospitality & Registration open - 5th Floor

8:30am-9:45am: Workshop Session #1 - 3rd Floor

10:00am-11:30am: General Session #2 - 5th Floor Grand Ballroom

11:45am-1:45pm: Lunch Break (on your own)

Multicultural Initiative & Network Board Lunch (closed meeting)

Connection Lunch (additional fee - see Hospitality)

Rostered Leaders Lunch (additional fee - see Hospitality)

Young Adults Lunch (additional fee - see Hospitality)

2:15pm-3:15pm: Multicultural Initiative - Napoleon A3

- 3:00pm-5:30pm: Hospitality & Registration open - 5th Floor
- 3:30pm-4:45pm: Workshop Session #2 - 3rd Floor
- 5:00pm-6:30pm: General Session #3 - 5th Floor Grand Ballroom
- 6:45pm-8:00pm: Theology Happy Hour (Hotel Lobby Restaurant)

Saturday, January 20

- 7:30am-10:00pm: Prayer Chapel open - Napoleon D1
- 7:45am-8:15am: Morning Devotions - Napoleon B1
- 8:00am-8:30pm: Exhibit Hall open
- 8:00am-4:30pm: Hospitality & Registration open - 5th Floor
- 8:30am-9:45am: Workshop Session #3 - 3rd Floor
- 10:00am-11:30am: General Session #4 - 5th Floor Grand Ballroom
- 11:45am-1:45pm: Lunch Break (on your own)
- Multicultural Initiative & Network Board Lunch (closed meeting)
- Connection Lunch (additional fee - see Hospitality)
- Rostered Leaders Lunch (additional fee - see Hospitality)
- Young Adults Lunch (additional fee - see Hospitality)
- 11:45am-1:45pm: Synod Lunches (see app for listing)
- 2:00pm-3:15pm: Workshop Session #4 - 3rd Floor
- 3:30pm-4:45pm: Workshop Session #5 - 3rd Floor
- 3:30pm-5:30pm: Gathering App Scavenger Hunt - Meet in Lobby
- 5:00pm-6:30pm: Dinner Break (on your own)
- 5:30pm-6:30pm: Multicultural Initiative - Napoleon A3
- 6:00pm-7:00pm: Hospitality & Registration open - 5th Floor
- 6:45pm-8:15pm: General Session #5
- 9:00pm-10:00pm: Cranberry Jazz Jam - 5th Floor Grand Ballroom
- 8:30pm-9:30pm: Network Partners' Reception

Sunday, January 21

- 7:30am-9:45am: Prayer Chapel open - Napoleon D1
- 8:00am-10:15am: Hospitality & Registration open - 5th Floor
- 8:30am-9:45am: Workshop Session #6 - 3rd Floor
- 8:45am-9:45am: Multicultural Initiative - Napoleon A3
- 10:00am-11:30am: Closing General Session #6
- 2:00pm-7:00pm: SYMBOL Network Meeting (closed meeting)

Monday, January 22

- 8:30am-12:00pm: SYMBOL Network Meeting (closed meeting)
- 8:30am-8:00pm: ELCA Youth Gathering Team Meetings (closed meeting)

Additional Spaces of Note:

Registration & Hospitality: 5th Floor Grand Foyer

Prayer Chapel: Napoleon D1

Exhibit Hall: 5th Floor Grand Foyer

Learning Office: 3rd Floor Registration

Extravaganza Office: Rampart

From the Main Stage

General Session Speakers



Jamie Bruesehoff



Rev. Carla Christopher



Jeff Hiller



Nambi E. Kelley



Deacon Ross Murray



Rev. Jade Ortiz



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Workshops

***EARLY BIRD SESSION #1:
THURSDAY, JANUARY 18
2:30 - 3:30PM**

**Small Church, Big Impact:
Leading Change in the
Small(er) Church**

Leader: Rebecca Jacobson with
Youth Ministry Consultants

**So You Want to Write
a Book - Book Writing
and Being an Author....**

Leader: Dawn Rundman, Ph.D.

Center Your Dreams

Leader: Marc Mohr

***EARLY BIRD SESSION #2:
THURSDAY, JANUARY 18
3:45 - 4:45PM**

**B'etzlem Elohim-In the
Image of God**

Leader: Eliana Katchkey

**From Chaos to Peace:
Unleashing Your Inner
Peacemaker and Changing
the World**

Leader: Ian Heseltine &
Amanda Randall

**Ministry Planning Using
the Six Hats Process**

Leader: Pete Erickson

**WORKSHOP SESSION #1:
FRIDAY, JANUARY 19
8:30AM-9:45AM**

**Beyond the Policy: Empowering
the Faith Community to Prevent,
Recognize & Respond to Child
Abuse and Sexual Assault**

Leaders: Kari Vadis
Napoleon B2

**Icebreakers -
NO SUPPLIES NEEDED!**

Leader: Kelsey Tomlinson
Napoleon C1

**Making the Shift: A Practical
Approach to Innovating
Ministries**

Leader: Lisa Sampson
Napoleon C3

**Listening for Transformation:
Crafting Relevant Youth
Ministry Frameworks**

Leaders: Catherine Anderson and
the Formation Co-Op Team
Napoleon C2

**A Safer Tomorrow -
Not Just a Dream**

Leader: Carolyn Marston
Napoleon D2/D3

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Leader: Tammy Jones West
Napoleon B3

**Dreaming of Radically
Relevant Faith Formation**

Leader: Linda Chambers
Napoleon B1

**SYMBOL: Dreaming Together
New Possibilities in
Synodical Youth Ministry**

Leaders: SYMBOL Steering Team
Napoleon A1/A2

**WORKSHOP SESSION #2:
FRIDAY, JANUARY 19
3:30PM-4:45PM**

**Dreaming of Bringing
the Mountaintop Home**

Leader: Taryn Hauglie
Napoleon C2

**Dream Beyond: Graduation
to Campus**

Leader: Cassandra Lamb
Napoleon C1

ABCs of LGBTQ+

Leader: Amanda Nesvold
Napoleon D2/D3

**Food & Faith:
What Could We Cultivate?**

Leader: Jen Collins
Napoleon C3

Queer Confirmation

Leader: Kathryn Thompson
Napoleon B3

**Jumping into the Deep End
of the Children Sermon
Swimming Pool!**

Leader: John Stevens
Napoleon B1

**Recruiting Diverse Layers
of Volunteer Leadership**

Leader: Kate McKinnie
Napoleon A1/A2

**Can These Dry Bones
Live?: Dreaming of a More
Inclusive Church**

Leaders: ELCA Disability Ministries
Advisory Team
Napoleon B2

**WORKSHOP SESSION #3:
SATURDAY, JANUARY 20
8:30AM-9:45AM**

**Moving from Surviving
to Thriving**

Leader: Sara Galyon
Napoleon B1

**Beyond Ball Fields &
Bathrooms: Dreams for
Transgender & Gender-
Expansive Youth in the Church**

Leaders: Jamie and Chris Bruesehoff
Napoleon C3

**Jumping into the Deep End
of the Children Sermon
Swimming Pool!**

Leader: John Stevens
Napoleon D2/D3

**Integrating AI for Effective
Youth Ministry**

Leader Michael Jannett
Napoleon C2

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Leader: Tammy Jones West
Napoleon B3

Build an Inspiring World

Leader: Dan Jacob
Napoleon B2

All workshops are located on the 3rd Floor. *Early Bird workshops are available to onsite participants only.

How to Become an Anti-Racist Youth Group: Tools and Practices for Living into God's Dream of Beloved Community

Leaders: David Scherer & Joe Davis
Napoleon C1

Making the Shift: A Practical Approach to Innovating Ministries

Leader: Lisa Sampson
Napoleon A1/A2

**WORKSHOP SESSION #4:
SATURDAY, JANUARY 20
2:00PM-3:15PM**

Dreaming Together with the Womanist Lord's Prayer

Leader: Adriana Rivera
Napoleon D2/D3

Dream of Creative Collaboration

Leader: Amanda Gebhart
Napoleon C1

How to Prepare for the Craziest Week of the Year: Packing Your Trip Backpack

Leader: Danielle Dadashi
Napoleon C3

Dream Worship - Prayer & Liturgy

Leader: Bishop Becca Middeke-Conlin
Napoleon B2

Practicing Ministry with the Wisdom of Research

Leaders: Catherine Anderson and the Formation Co-Op Team
Napoleon B3

The Now and the Not Yet- The Soul of Your Leadership: A Liminal Journey Space - Tending to Self and the Institution

Leader: Kris Bjorke
Napoleon C2

Nurturing Faith Communities

Leaders: Cory Newman & Janelle Hooper
Napoleon B1

**WORKSHOP SESSION #5:
SATURDAY, JANUARY 20
3:30PM-4:45PM**

A Handful of Practices to Cultivate Friendworks (like networks but a billion times better)

Leaders: Jen Gruendler and Arlene Flancher
Napoleon B1

Recruiting Diverse Layers of Volunteer Leadership

Leader: Kate McKinnie
Napoleon C1

5 Approaches to Developmentally-Appropriate Children's Messages

Leader: Dawn Rundman
Napoleon D2/D3

Dreaming of an Inclusive Library

Leader: Janelle Hooper
Napoleon B2

Planning Your Own Summer Ministry Trip

Leaders: Chris Swanson, Kate Verlautz, and Mandy Stockwell
Napoleon C3

Can These Dry Bones Live?: Dreaming of a More Inclusive Church

Leaders: ELCA Disability Ministries Advisory Team
Napoleon C2

Queer Confirmation

Leader: Kathryn Thompson
Napoleon B3

**WORKSHOP SESSION #6:
SUNDAY, JANUARY 21
8:30AM-9:45AM**

The Youth Ministry Applications of Dungeons & Dragons: Dungeons & Dragons in Youth Ministry

Leader: Dustin Hamren
Napoleon D2/D3

How to Become an Anti-Racist Youth Group: Tools and Practices for Living into God's Dream of Beloved Community

Leaders: David Scherer & Joe Davis
Napoleon B3

LGBTQ-Inclusive Youth Ministry

Leader: Ross Murray
Napoleon C2

SYMBOL: Dreaming Together New Possibilities in Synodical Youth Ministry

Leaders: SYMBOL Steering Team
Napoleon C3

How to Theologically Connect with Hip-Hop Music

Leader: Jordan Collins-Brown
Napoleon B2

Integrating AI for Effective Youth Ministry

Leader: Michael Jannett
Napoleon B1

Icebreakers - NO SUPPLIES NEEDED!

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Napoleon C1

Dreaming of Bringing the Mountaintop Home

Leader: Taryn Hauglie
Napoleon A1/A2

Workshop Sessions on Friday-Sunday will be recorded and will be made available to Network Plus Members through Martin's List at a later date.




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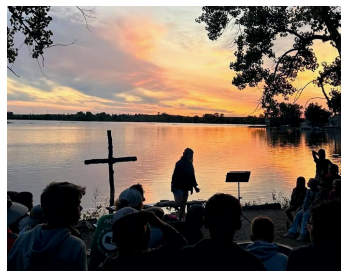


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