

April 14, 2017

Dear Friends in Christ,

In this email, you will find worship resources for Synod Assembly Weekend and a **bulletin insert** that you might wish to use next weekend to receive an offering to bring to Synod Assembly. The offering this year will be split between synod ethnic ministries and the Campaign for the ELCA.

As we do each year and because rostered ministers are expected to be in attendance at synod assembly, I provide a video message that can be used on Synod Assembly weekend. This year, it is a sermon, entitled: ***Now What? The Other Great Commission*** (running time 12:16). The video can be ordered on DVD from Linda Freitag at our office by emailing her at: lindaf@scsw-elca.org by April 19 in order to guarantee its arrival by assembly weekend.

Or, you can link to the

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D1QiOcTuSKo>

If video is not an option in your setting, attached is a manuscript of the sermon that a leader in your congregation could read. Also attached are **intercessory prayers**.

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