

Lower Susquehanna Synod

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

2014 Mission Snapshot

Our Mission Support and Partnership at Work

45¢ of every dollar given for mission support in our synod goes directly to the ELCA to support ministries we value and do better together: global mission, malaria eradication, educating women, rostered leader scholarships, new and renewed missions, training leaders, and more. **55¢ of every dollar stays in our synod**, and this is how we serve together to *feed others as we have been fed by Christ*:

26 Candidates for Rostered Ministry received \$24,840 in scholarships

Six first call candidates ordained and placed in LSS congregations.

More than 70 events and workshops

1,000+ resources circulated from our LSS Center for Faith Formation

\$363,939 dollars provided to support camps, campus ministries, and seminary

Offered first-ever rostered leaders' wellness retreat

EQUIPPING LEADERS

2014 + 2*

48,870 miles traveled by staff members to congregations across our synod

More than 350 staff visits for worship leadership/preaching/educational events

Provided coaching through council retreats, training events, and individual support

Provided support for committees, tables, and task forces

Provided communication through web site, Carings & Sharings, and social media

ENCOURAGING COOPERATION

1 new synodically authorized worshiping community (Peter's Porch)

1 mission probe (Communities of Hope)

4 congregational covenants for renewal and/ or redevelopment

Coached/equipped 15 mission redevelopers

Provided 850+ staff hours for coaching and renewal training

17 successful call processes completed, each one representing an average investment of \$4,500 in staff & support

ENGAGING IN NEW MISSION

To do better together as our Lower Susquehanna Synod and ELCA what we cannot do alone as congregations, we ask you to consider holding your mission support at 2014 levels for two years. We invite you to consider adding 2% to your mission support so that we can meet our mission plan and continue to make a real difference in the life of our synod and in this world.