The Southeastern Iowa Synod (ELCA) narrows bishop election to three nominees.

West Des Moines, Iowa (August 7, 2020) – Voting members of the Southeastern Iowa Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA) in America have gathered online, August 5th and 7th, for their annual Synod Assembly. Representatives from ELCA congregations across the area are gathered under the theme “With a New Song.”

A third ballot has narrowed the election of a new bishop to three nominees:

The Rev. Erika Uthe of Ely, Iowa; 127 votes
The Rev. Amy Current of Dubuque, Iowa; 62 votes
The Rev. Timothy Olson of Ankeny, Iowa; 52 votes

The assembly will hold a fourth ballot, and if necessary, a fifth ballot on Friday, August 7th, 2020.

More information about this election process, the role of bishop, and other information can be found online at seiasynod.org/assembly.

A livestream of the assembly may be viewed on the Southeastern Iowa synod Facebook page, facebook.com/seiasynod and the synod website seiasynod.org/assembly