



**Interim Ministry Association**  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

## **ANNUAL FALL EDUCATION WEBINAR**

# **INTERIM MINISTRY IN AFTER-PASTOR SETTINGS**

**Monday, September 15, 2025**

**1:00-3:00 PM (Eastern Daylight-Saving Time)**

### **Presenter**

Kendra L Stea, MS, NCC: Director, Misconduct Prevention (ELCA)

### **Description**

As interim pastors, we are sometimes called to serve as “after pastors” – meaning, we follow a pastor who has engaged in some sort of misconduct (financial, sexual, or other boundary violation). Kendra Stea will lead us in conversation about the salient issues in such situations. Specifically, she will address:

- assessing the health of a congregation’s culture;
- communicating our boundaries as the interim pastor (especially if they are not in alignment with past boundaries in a congregation);
- rebuilding and establishing trust (including when a congregation doesn't want to move forward);
- identifying steps to address disclosures of various types of misconduct, who to involve, and considerations for investigations;
- managing “uncovered” issues, especially new disclosures of past misconduct;
- identifying resources (including at the synod level) to assist with healing.

### **Cost**

- IMA Members: free
- Non-members: \$10
- Non-members can join IMA at the reduced annual rate of \$40 for the first year and attend this event for free.

### **Registration**

- Reserve your spot at <https://imaelca.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2988601>
- NOTE: If you are on Planning Center with another organization, you will need to register in “incognito” mode. Contact Eric Petty at [PrEricPetty@yahoo.com](mailto:PrEricPetty@yahoo.com) if you have any problems with registration.
- A Zoom link will be sent to all registrants within 24 hours of the event.

IMA will hold its annual meeting immediately following this event.