

News and Notes for the Weekly Voice  
July 2, 2020



# Food For Veterans Vermont



**Wednesday, July 8th - Bristol, VT American Legion Post 19**  
**56 Airport Drive - Bristol, Vermont 05443**  
**11am to 1pm**

**Wednesday, July 8th - Rutland, VT American Legion Post 31**  
**33 Washington Street – Rutland, VT 05701**  
**3pm to 5pm**

Please register early if possible to ensure enough supplies are available.  
Please bring Veteran ID (VA Card, Endorsed License, DD214 or VFW/Legion Card).  
Anyone can pick up the food if there is a valid registration and proof of ID.

Links on  @222cares.org and [www.222cares.org](http://www.222cares.org)



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Because the rain seems to have a mind of its own the past couple days, if it's raining on Wednesday afternoon around 3:00, Pastor will have a Bible Study video on Youtube. You can watch it live, or catch it later!

Just follow this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWas6tqTdCJ7qGOe3QxhRsA>

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We want to issue a big thank-you to the New England Synod and Pastor Tim Roser, our disaster relief liaison. Thanks to Pastor Tim, the synod received a sizable grant from the Lutheran Disaster Relief program to support the ongoing ministries that have aided neighbors through the COVID-19 pandemic. The Faith on Foot ministries have been awarded a portion of the grant totaling \$6,250.00. Let us give thanks to our ministry partners and to God for this timely support.

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We could use additional tellers who are willing to be trained on counting the Sunday offering. Counters should be from different households. If you are interested in helping with this important task, please notify Dee Beckman ([deebeckman@vermontel.net](mailto:deebeckman@vermontel.net)) or 802-672-6071

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If you have a homebound family member and you have begun visiting them in accordance with the new state guidelines and would like to be trained to bring them Holy Communion, please contact the pastor.



## The New England Synod, ELCA School of Lay Ministry

The New England Synod ELCA offers a two-year educational program for laypersons through its School of Lay Ministry.

- Enrollment is open to **anyone over 18 years of age** interested in learning more about the history and development of Christianity, the Bible, Lutheranism, and more.
- The **two year program** enables students to broaden their own understanding of the Lutheran faith, foster a deeper understanding of other faith traditions, and improve understanding of the historical and theological aspects of the Bible.
- Each year the course will require approximately **60 hours of group work** (DVD instruction or bible study) with additional hours of reading associated with each lesson.
- Part of the curriculum is delivered during **two mandatory retreats** each year, one in the fall and one in the spring. These retreats are held at Camp Calumet in Freedom, NH on Lake Ossipee. **Retreat dates for the next two years are: September 18-20, 2020, May 14-16, 2021, September 17-19, 2021**
- Study throughout the year involves working through the material in **geographically convenient study groups** in an informal setting. The study groups are facilitated by the group members.
- **Tuition for each year is \$550.00** (the cost of the two retreats). Book fees are minimal if purchased on Amazon.
- For more detailed information please check our website – [nesynodslm.com](http://nesynodslm.com) or contact the school dean, Sue Chin – [sueichin@hotmail.com](mailto:sueichin@hotmail.com)



**It's a curriculum and a community.**



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Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
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**Application for Admission into the School of Lay Ministry**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone: (h) \_\_\_\_\_ (w) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender (for room assignment at retreats) \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation Name and Address:

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State briefly why you desire to become a student in the New England Synod's School of Lay Ministry.:

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I have received and read the informational brochure of The School of Lay Ministry and  
I agree to all that it contains.            Y        N

I hereby apply for admission into the  
New England Synod's School of Lay  
Ministry:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student

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Date

I recommend this student for admission into  
the New England Synod's School of Lay  
Ministry:

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Pastor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Return completed application and check for \$100, payable to the New England Synod, by **August 1** to:  
New England Synod  
PO Box 13  
Worcester, MA 01614-0013

*"... to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up."*  
Ephesians 4:12