

- 1. Sandra Dager: “Embodying Hope through Embodiment - The Powerful Impact of Kinesthetic Energy Patterns and Posture on Worship, Leadership, Call Processes, and Congregational Dynamics”**

In this workshop, Pr. Sandra Dager will be drawing on her deep pastoral experience, doctoral thesis, and her work as a certified kinesthetic energy coach and certified Alexander Technique teacher.

- 2. Eric Shafer/Global Refuge: “Global Refuge – Practicing Hope”**

Pr. Eric Shafer, who serves as pastor in residence with Global Refuge, will present about the ministry of Global Refuge (formerly Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service), as well as the general situation for immigrants, refugees, and migrants in the USA and the world in 2024.

- 3. Dan Smith: “Hope in the Midst of Climate Change”**

Drawing on the restoration of Putah Creek, and on the ministry of Lutheran of the Incarnation, Davis, including its recent sanctuary renovation, Pr. Dan Smith will share in this workshop how faith communities might care for creation in their local context and grow in discipleship. The workshop will engage with the data of climate change as well as with Jürgen Moltmann’s “theology of hope.”

- 4. Regina Banks, LOPP: “Speaking Truth to Power”**

In this workshop, Regina Banks will be drawing on her experience as a lawyer, her understanding of politics, her current work as Lutheran lobbyist, and her passion for climate activism.

- 5. Lyle Beckman: “The Healing Power of Telling Your Trauma Story”**

In this workshop, Pr. Lyle Beckman will acknowledge the trauma people have experienced, seeking to be real about both the trauma and the hope and drawing on his many years as a pastor and San Francisco night minister.

- 6. Ruben Duran: “Agile and Ambidextrous Congregations; Transformation and Hope Amidst Numerical Decline”**

In this workshop, Pr. Ruben Duran plans to engage in dialogue with people on the reality of decline AND the reality of hope for newness already happening by the work of the Spirit.

- 7. Amy Kienzle, Gabriele Schroeder: “Sumud – Steadfast Hope in Palestine”**

In this workshop, Pastors Amy Kienzle and Gabi Schroeder will share stories of their time in Palestine and offer some context for the current war in Gaza. There will be time to reflect as a group on what hope looks like when genocide, famine, and conflict seem intractable.

- 8. Julie Webb: “cLAYming Our Hope: Thriving with/out a Part-Time Pastor”**

During eight years without a called pastor, Galilee Lutheran Church raised up lay preachers and leaders, paid off our mortgage, and learned a lot about what it takes to thrive as a small congregation in a remote area. When we were ready and able to call a pastor, we found that the lessons we had learned during those eight years had prepared us well to be partners in part-time ministry. Is your congregation

considering calling an ordained minister part-time, or are you a clergyperson considering a part-time call? Come hear our story and explore your own possibilities.

9. Christian Chavarria Ayala, Bob Swartz: “Partners Working Together”

Come and learn about becoming a Sister Parish to a church in the El Salvador Lutheran Synod (or our other two sister churches in Rwanda and Taiwan). Can this be a new way "to love one another, embrace differences, and grow deeper in your faith?" Could your church become a companion and accompany a church in El Salvador; then together walk the faith journey? Come, let's discuss and see what is possible?

10. Let Your Light Shine: A Sierra Pacific Synod Workshop by SunSource

In an effort to be in service to God and neighbor, the ELCA has made a conscious effort to preserve the dignity of people and creation through confronting climate change. As people of faith in the midst of a climate crisis it is vital that we seek to do our part to be faithful to the resources gifted to us. Join SunSource's panel of experts, with 40 years of combined industry experience, for a conversation tackling financing as a non-profit, fundraising strategies, how to leverage solar to grow and strengthen your ministry, and what energy independence will mean for your legacy and the stewardship of future generations.

Pastor Casey Tinnin, teamed up with SunSource because of their passion for helping churches, Tribal Nations, and nonprofits become energy sovereign. He will share his thoughts about the impact solar has made in the life of his congregation, and ideas about how to mobilize congregations to start thinking green. To be claimed by hope, is to leave a legacy that offers future generations a world they might live, breathe, and thrive in. Come learn how to *Let Your Light Shine*.