

Vice President Report 2019-2020

Having been just newly elected at the 2019 Synod Assembly I did not officially assume my role as Synod Vice President until September of 2019. In the short time I have served as Vice President I have witnessed the members of this synod carry out our mission statement: "Walking Together... loving Christ, loving all, for the sake of the world." As a synod we should be so proud of our congregations and members who work tirelessly providing spiritual, emotional and physical support not only to the congregation members but also to their communities and the greater church in the USA and in our companion synods in India and Tanzania.

Despite financial hardships that individuals and congregations faced in 2019 you remained faithful in giving which allowed the synod to end the fiscal year in a good position and allowed the continuation of synod programs and support to LOMC, LSSI, Campus Ministry and other organizations. We were also able to support the work of the ELCA at one of the highest percentage rates of all the synods in the country.

We are now facing challenges that we could have never imagined at our last assembly. I am confident that we will join together and be able to come out of this stronger than ever. Please be assured that the synod council will be working to provide support to all the congregations and to the synod staff as we face the challenges to come.

Peace

Minnette Scott