

Ministry Site Visits

Deadline to Register: July 12

What: Assembly participants have the opportunity to spend the morning of Monday, August 5 visiting various ministry locations in the Greater Milwaukee Synod. Choose 1 of 3 bus tours or a workshop.

When: Monday, August 5, 2019 from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Where: Buses depart from and return to the Wisconsin Center.

Cost: \$20 per person (please plan to eat breakfast on your own before we depart and lunch on your own after the tour).

Register by: July 12, 2019 at cwa19.org/ministry-site-tour-registration OR call the GMS office at 414-671-1212.

Important: Registrations are non-refundable after June 30.

<p style="text-align: center;">Bus Tour #1: Milwaukee Ministry Innovations</p> <p>This tour includes stops at two Milwaukee ministries:</p> <p>Alice’s Garden: Join us for a labyrinth walk and tour of this 2.2-acre urban farm, part of the ministries of The Table, an ELCA Synodically Authorized Worshiping Community. Some of the entrepreneurs of the Artisan Market will be present, along with several of the 120 rental gardeners. Alice’s Garden is a farm church model, crafted by Mission Developer Venice Williams and many community partners. (alicesgardennke.com)</p> <p>Redeemer Lutheran Church: This growing, “multi-everything” city church has become a hive of activity through community partnerships. Bee the Change advocates for urban, congregational-hosted beekeeping (with three active beehives on Redeemer’s roof). The Zeidler Center for Public Discussion fosters trust amidst differences through facilitated dialogue (zeidlercenter.org), and Marquette Students assist in welcoming neighbors to a noontime meal 6 days a week. (redeemermilwaukee.org)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Bus Tour #2: The Legacy of Racism</p> <p>This tour will visit the newly renovated museum on Milwaukee’s North Side and a prison ministry:</p> <p>The American Black Holocaust Museum builds public awareness of the harmful legacies of slavery in America and promotes racial repair, reconciliation, and healing. We envision a society that remembers its past in order to shape a better future – a nation undivided by race where every person matters equally.” (abhmuseum.org)</p> <p>Breaking the Chains Prison Ministry: Prison Ministry across the country has three areas of engagement taking place:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting ministry inside prisons, • Supporting re-entry for returning citizens, • Promoting prison policy reform through advocacy. <p>During this site visit you will experience and engage all three areas utilizing the scriptural lens of Matthew 25:45. (milwaukee-synod.org/breaking-the-chains)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Bus Tour #3: Racine-Kenosha Ministry Innovations</p> <p>This tour will travel to the southern part of the synod to visit several innovative ministries:</p> <p>The Covenant at Murray Mansion (formerly ELCA Congregation): an opportunity to see a fully-funded renovation that demonstrates how a church space can be successfully re-purposed. It is now a beautiful banquet hall that retains significant features of the original church structure and interior design.</p> <p>ELCA Outreach Center: In existence since February of 1997, the ELCA Outreach Center is an outreach of eight ELCA congregations in Kenosha. The mission of the ELCA Outreach Center is to Share God’s Love by addressing the needs of children, youth, and adults through programs and services that encourage them to become self-sufficient, caring and participating members of the community. The ELCA Outreach Center offers a wide range of services that help families and individuals meet every day basic needs and move toward self-sufficiency. (elcaoutreachcenter.org)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Workshop: Black String Triage Ensemble</p> <p style="text-align: center;">9 - 10:30 a.m. Room 102 A&B Wisconsin Center</p> <p>Participants will experience the music and learn about the ministry of the Black String Triage Ensemble (theblackstringtrriageensemble.org), a group that is committed to using music as the healing force for the soul in the immediate aftermath of community violence. The Black String Triage Ensemble plays concerts for the community at the scene of the incident. This workshop is free and open to all, but those interested are asked to register in advance.</p>