

Session Two - Thursday, June 23, 2016, 6:30 p.m.

Opening Prayer

Robb Wilson and Debbie Lou Ludolph led the assembly in song. Rev. Jeff Smith gave a couple of announcements, and included appreciation for the volunteers serving at the assembly.

Special Order

The Rev. Dr. Susan C. Johnson, ELCIC National Bishop, addressed the Assembly (cf BR Section 3-1 ff). She reminded the assembly of the ELCIC's many facets of ministry and its strengths and passion, and offered thanks to the many people of the Eastern Synod who participate in national church ministries.

Liberated by God's Grace

The Rev. Dr. Munib Younan, President of the Lutheran World Federation, and Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land, was welcomed to the assembly. In his first address to the Assembly, Bishop Younan spoke passionately about the central article of faith for (Lutheran) Christians as expressed through the Reformation Commemoration theme and sub-themes. He also spoke about our Lutheran witness and ministry to be global, ecumenical, and reforming (*ecclesia semper reformanda*).

Report of the Committee on Elections

Iris Schweiger, Chairperson for the Committee on Elections, presented the results of the first ballot for the election of delegates to the ELCIC National Convention.

Lay:	To be elected	24
	Ballots cast	209
	Spoiled	5
	Valid ballots	204
	Required to elect	103

Elected were: Keith Myra, Jackie Nunns, Margaret Christenson, Jordan Smith, Jerry Hogeveen.

Rostered:	To be elected	17
	Ballots cast	213
	Spoiled	2
	Valid ballots	211
	Required to elect	106

Elected were: Wendell Grahlman, Richard Pryce, Steve Hoffard, Tanya Ramer.

Youth:	To be elected	3
	Ballots cast	209
	Spoiled	0
	Valid ballots	209
	Required to elect	105

There was no election.

Assistive paper ballots were distributed to tables with names eligible for second ballot voting. Balloting occurred using the screen display and clickers.

Worship

Worship was held, focusing on the theme of "Human Beings Not for Sale."

Welcome Reception

A welcome reception hosted by the Montreal Ministry area was held at the end of the day for Delegates and Visitors to Assembly.