



Florida-Bahamas Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Synod Snapshot: Spring 2023

An overview of the Florida-Bahamas Synod of the ELCA—by the numbers.

There are 41,046 baptized members of the ELCA.

In the Florida-Bahamas Synod, we have:

- 167 Active Clergy
- 253 Retired Clergy
- 18 Active ELCA Deacons
- 16 Retired ELCA Deacons
- 62 Active Synod Parish Deacons
- 31 Candidates for Ordained Ministry



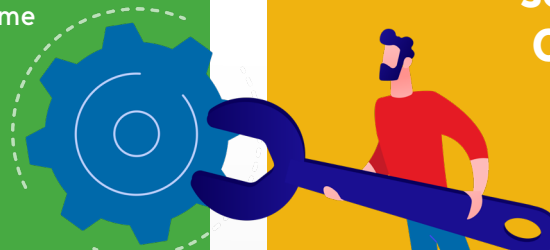
Our synod has 160 Organized Congregations.

- 41 Congregations in Transition/Call Process
- 7 Congregations Under Development
- 31 Growing, 21 Stable, 121 Declining
- We speak English, Creole, Spanish, Finnish, German & American Sign Language
- 36 Congregations have a school
- 88 Congregations recycle & 55 intentionally plan to reduce energy use
- Over 60% have a food pantry
- Over 50% have a feeding ministry apart or in addition to a food pantry
- 85% have online giving & online worship services



Synod Operations

- There are 8 full-time and 2 part-time employees
- We have an active partnership with ELCA Lutheran Disaster Response
- Annual Operating Spending Plan: \$2.6 Million
- Through gifts from legacy congregations, this synod is in a place of extraordinary blessings and opportunities.



As people of God, we seek to boldly share Christ, passionately make disciples, and faithfully do justice in our communities.

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