LITURGICAL REVIEW

The installation of a bishop is significant in the life of the synod and is important to the life of the whole church. It is a synod event and at the same time a churchwide event.

The worship service that includes the installation is subject to the ELCA Policies and Procedures for Review of Liturgical Material, especially as it pertains to the approved rite of installation.

Therefore, a complete draft of the worship folder and the leader’s book/pages must be submitted to the executive for worship for approval and authorization six weeks prior to the deadline for printing. This allows time for review by the Office of the Presiding Bishop and for making any changes if necessary. Only after approval from the Office of the Presiding Bishop via the executive for worship is received may worship folders be printed.

Texts and music from Evangelical Lutheran Worship are commended for use in the service of installation.

The Worship staff of the ELCA is available for consultation at any time in the planning process. This may help to avoid potential problems and lead to a smooth review process.

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