

Celebrate Synod Bishop Installation Season ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton Weekly Video Message Sept. 17, 2021

We all know that there are seasons in the church: Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, Pentecost. But there's another important season in the church, what I call synod bishop installation season, and we're well underway with that now.

Please welcome and pray for our new bishops: Bishop Megan Rohrer in the Sierra Pacific Synod, Bishop Brenda Bos in the Southwest California Synod, Bishop Lee Miller II in Upstate New York, Bishop Paula Schmidt in the Allegheny Synod, Bishop Kevin Jones in the Northeastern Iowa Synod, Bishop Felix Malpica in the La Crosse Area Synod and Bishop Dee Peterson in the Southwestern Minnesota Synod.

Thank you to all of you new bishops who have said yes to this call in these perilous, uncertain times. And may God continue to keep you where God has called you. And for the rest of us in the church, hold these bishops in your prayers. And remember, they don't do this work by themselves, but they need all of us, as all of us follow along the way of Jesus. Thank you for saying yes, and welcome aboard.

Be well, dear church.