

## Synod Assembly Highlights

- **Chaplain Dione M. Klepetka led centering times for assembly participants**
- **Heard the Report of the Renewal Team and prioritized our steps forward**
- **Heard exciting stories from R3 congregations and from hunger ministries who are striving to go deeper**
- **Introduced some important conversations**
- **Enjoyed a Coffee Break sponsored by Lutheran World Relief**
- **Heard a stimulating Keynote Address and Bible Study from Mikka McCracken**
- **Presented Mikka McCracken with a \$20,000 check for World Hunger**
- **Norma R. Good received the Ken and Ruth Helling Award for faith in action from Lutheran World Relief**
- **Worshiped in a Service of Word and Sacrament**
- **Heard an inspiring sermon by Bishop Dunlop**
- **Installed newly-elected conference deans, the Rev. Elizabeth D. George and the Rev. Jason P. Northridge**
- **Installed newly-elected conference secretaries, the Rev. Cherie Korte, the Rev. Abigail C. Leese, and the Rev. Ben W. Siebert**
- **Installed newly-elected members of Synod Council, Carlotta "Chucki" Strevig, Linda J. Long, the Rev. Matthew B. Best, Stella Ludwig, Kay A. Hinkle, and Zachary J. Weiss**
- **Consecrated David Anderson Hope-Tringali**
- **Ordained Elizabeth Erin Frey and Ronald Whitley Costen**
- **Remembered with Thanksgiving our faithful departed: the Rev. Jay Bryan Eickhoff, the Rev. Dr. Robert W. Jenson, the Rev. Frederick Leonard Shilling, the Rev. George Knarr, the Rev. Dr. Elwood Harold Leister, and the Rev. William Charles Butz.**
- **468 volunteers from 52 congregations packed 190,390 food packets bound for Haiti**
- **Visited four synodical feeding ministries and formed relationships with those who benefit from these services.**