

# Pacifica Synod - ELCA

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## SYNOD NEWS & NOTES

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Pacifica Synod e-News

We are pleased to share with you the following news, information and ministry opportunities taking place within our synod. If you have items to share about the ministries happening through your congregation, please email Terri Robertson at [terrirobertson@pacificasynod.org](mailto:terrirobertson@pacificasynod.org). If you know of others who aren't receiving our emails, please share this with them and encourage them to sign up.

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## Congratulations to Bishop-Elect Andy Taylor!

We celebrate that on May 6, the Rev. Andy Taylor was elected as bishop of the Pacifica Synod, and will take office on August 1, 2016. Bishop-Elect Taylor currently serves as pastor at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church in San Diego. He was elected on the fifth and final ballot with 174 votes. The Rev. David Nagler, pastor of Christ Lutheran in Pacific Beach, received 165 votes.

"I am humbled and honored that the people of the Pacifica Synod have elected me as their next bishop," Taylor said. "I look forward to the challenge of walking with the congregations of Hawaii and Southern California as they reach out with God's love to each other, their neighborhoods and the world, and I pray that God will grant me all I need to be effective in this important role."

Pacifica's current bishop, the Rev. Murray D. Finck, has served three six-year terms and will retire July 31. Bishop-Elect Taylor will be installed as bishop Sunday, October 23. More information will be made available as it becomes available.

