

2026 Southwestern Texas S'WO Convention

The Synodical Women's Organization of the Women of the ELCA is making plans for our 2026 convention, to be held October 16–18, 2026, in San Antonio, Texas. We will gather at the Sunshine Cottage School for the Deaf on Hildebrand Road for a weekend of worship, learning, fellowship, and inspiration.

Our theme, "Rooted in Faith, Growing Together," is reflected in this year's convention logo and grounded in Scripture:



"Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,
whose trust is the Lord.
They shall be like a tree planted by water,
sending out its roots by the stream.
It shall not fear when heat comes,
and its leaves shall stay green;
in the year of drought, it is not anxious,
and it does not cease to bear fruit."

— Jeremiah 17:7–8 (NRSVUE)

We are delighted that Myrna Wells-Ulland, President, Churchwide, and Bishop Sue Briner will be joining us. Elizabeth Hunter from Gather magazine will be the guest speaker.

Plans are still being finalized, but breakout sessions may include a sound bath, financial health, SUMUD, physical health, and mental health. The weekend will also include a reception on Friday evening following opening worship and a banquet on Saturday night.

As you prepare to attend, please bring a favorite photo of yourself as a child or teenager in a dollar store frame for a special convention activity.

Mark your calendars now and watch for more details in the weeks ahead!