



Northern Texas - Northern Louisiana Synod Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

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Whereas Christ calls us all to serve one another as he has served us and our Lutheran Confessions affirm the vocation of the baptized in the church; and

Whereas Deacon Stephanie Varnum has served the NT-NL faithfully as Synod Vice President since 2008; and

Whereas she has served in that role with integrity, compassion, sincerity and a deep love for the church; and

Whereas she has been a consistent leader for the synod through capital campaign, a bishop election, church conflicts and celebrations; and

Whereas she has represented NT-NL to the wider church and world as a model of Christian leadership; and

Whereas she has discerned it is time for her to retire from this role in 2019:

Be it resolved that the Synod Council of the Northern Texas-Northern Louisiana Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America gives its heartfelt gratitude and thanksgiving to Deacon Varnum for her service and encourage the 2019 synod assembly and all members of NT-NL congregations to likewise give thanks for this "good and faithful" servant as she moves into new vocational service.