

Fairview Association Membership

The voting membership of the Fairview Association is composed primarily of delegates from Evangelical Lutheran Church in America congregations who have agreed to affiliate with Fairview. The Fairview Association, in its annual meeting, has certain governance responsibilities including the election of trustees to the operating boards of the Twin Cities Fairview hospitals, Ebenezer and Fairview Physician Associates. Certain trustees also serve as voting members of the Fairview Association. A comprehensive history of Fairview is on file at your church office. For information or your own copy, contact the Fairview office of church relations at 612-672-2805.

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) Affiliation

- Fairview Health Services and Ebenezer are affiliated with the ELCA as Social Ministry Organizations, which are integral to the mission and ministry of the church.
- Fairview hospitals, its staff physicians, chaplains, and other health care professionals have the resources to assist congregations in carrying out their responsibilities in the healing ministry of the church.
- Congregations may help shape policies of hospitals in the Fairview system through the election of trustees. Many of these trustees are members of our constituent congregations.
- Congregational participation in Fairview's programs and activities helps to project a "spirit of Christian concern" to Fairview employees.

Fairview Association Delegate Qualifications

A qualified delegate is someone who:

1. Is able and willing to participate in the Fairview Association Annual Meeting each year.
2. Has, or seeks to achieve, an understanding of the healing ministry of the church and its role in health and wholeness.
3. Is willing and able to be a positive advocate of the congregation/Fairview system relationship.

Fairview Association Delegate Role

The delegate represents his or her congregation in all Fairview Association matters, and serves as a communication link between congregations and the hospital.

To be effective, a delegate:

1. Attends annual meetings of the Fairview Association, at which time trustees for selected Fairview operating boards are elected. The annual meeting of the Fairview Association is held on the Tuesday nearest to May 17 each year.
2. Reflects interests and concerns of the congregation to the Fairview governing boards and administration of the Fairview facilities and programs.
3. Encourages fellow parishioners to join in prayer for their church and its hospitals in the mission of health and wholeness.
4. Supports Fairview's presence in the church community.

Ways to accomplish that might be to:

- a) Make an annual report to the congregation governing body or congregational membership, or both, through a "Temple Talk," annual meeting summary, congregational publication or other appropriate ways. Each delegate and congregation leader is provided a report on Fairview's activities at the end of every year.
- b) Interpret Fairview's role to the congregation when possible through bulletin boards, newsletters, church bulletin inserts, church school presentations, special group programs, or any other helpful means.
- c) Promote distribution and use of hospital-prepared visual and audiovisual materials and publications that are regularly provided by Fairview to affiliated congregations.

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Additional delegate responsibilities might include:

1. Being a positive advocate of the healing ministry of the church, and promoting the concept of wholeness and wellness.
2. Learning more about the individual Fairview and Ebenezer facilities, programs, and services. Information is available through Fairview's office of church relations.
3. Seeking to understand the role of the congregation and the larger church in health care. The ELCA social statement on health, healing, and health care, *Caring for Health: Our Shared Endeavor*, may be helpful in this regard. For more information, visit the Web site at: www.elca.org/socialstatements/health.
4. Taking an active role in the recruitment of volunteers from the congregation to serve in Fairview hospitals and programs.

In order to further discuss how Fairview and congregations can work together, or for materials referenced above, contact the Fairview office of church relations at 612-672-2805.

Fairview Association Delegate Election and Term

Delegates are elected or appointed by their congregation to three-year terms. Congregations may reelect or appoint delegates to successive three-year terms. In most cases, a minimum of two or three consecutive terms is recommended to provide delegates the opportunity to serve knowledgeably in that role. The delegate who enjoys this area of service and participates with enthusiasm might well be retained for extended terms.

Each constituent congregation is entitled to elect two voting delegate members, one of whom may be a pastor. Husband and wife teams are encouraged to serve as delegates, but the voting member should be designated if there is a second elected or appointed delegate from the congregation.

Fairview Association



Delegate Handbook



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Fairview Association Delegate 3-year Terms*

**as approved at the 5/18/2004 Fairview Association annual meeting*

Group A: *Three-year terms expire prior to May of 2010 with subsequent three-year terms thereafter.*

Abiding Savior Lutheran Church – Mounds View
Ascension Lutheran Church - St. Louis Park
Atonement Lutheran Church - Bloomington
Bethany Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
Bethlehem Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
Calvary Lutheran Church - Edina
Calvary Lutheran Church of Golden Valley
Central Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
Christ Lutheran Church of Blaine
Christ the King Lutheran Church - Bloomington
Community of the Cross Lutheran Church - Bloomington
Cross of Glory Lutheran Church - Brooklyn Center
Crown of Glory Lutheran Church - Chaska
Easter Lutheran Church - Eagan
Edina Community Lutheran Church
El Milagro / The Miracle Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
First Lutheran Church of Columbia Heights
First Lutheran Church of St. Louis Park
Grace University Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
Lord of Life Lutheran Church - Maple Grove
Lutheran Church of Christ the Redeemer - Minneapolis
Messiah Evangelical Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
Mount Olivet Lutheran Church of Plymouth

Group B: *Three-year terms expire prior to May of 2009 with subsequent three-year terms thereafter.*

Elim Lutheran Church - Robbinsdale
Grace Lutheran Church - Apple Valley
Grace Lutheran Church - Bloomington
Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
Hosanna! Lutheran Church - Lakeville
House of Hope Lutheran Church - New Hope
Immanuel Lutheran Church - Eden Prairie
Lake Nokomis Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd - Minneapolis
Minnehaha Communion Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
Minnetonka Lutheran Church

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Mount Olive Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
Mount Olivet Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
Nokomis Heights Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
Normandale Evangelical Lutheran Church - Edina
North Heights Lutheran Church – Roseville
Northeast Community Lutheran Church -- Minneapolis
Norwegian Memorial Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
Oak Grove Lutheran Church - Richfield
Oak Knoll Lutheran Church – Hopkins
Our Redeemer Oromo Evangelical Church - Minneapolis
Redeemer Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
St. Luke's Lutheran Church - Bloomington

Group C: *Three-year terms are up prior to May of 2008, with subsequent three-year terms thereafter.*

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church - St. Paul
Our Savior's Lutheran Church - Circle Pines
Our Saviour's Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
Peace Lutheran Church of Coon Rapids
Peace Lutheran Church of Plymouth
Prairie Lutheran Church - Eden Prairie
Prince of Peace Lutheran Church - Burnsville
Richfield Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
River of Life Lutheran - Minneapolis
Roseville Lutheran Church
Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church - Hopkins
Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church - Apple Valley
St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church - Mound
St. Olaf Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
St. Paul's Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
Trinity Lutheran Church - Minneapolis
Trinity Lutheran Church of Minnehaha Falls - Minneapolis
University Lutheran Church of Hope - Minneapolis
Valley of Peace Lutheran Church - Golden Valley
Westwood Lutheran Church - St. Louis Park
Woodlake Lutheran Church - Richfield

Note: *New terms begin immediately following the congregation meeting in which delegates to the Fairview Association are elected or appointed.*