Synod Assembly Schedule 2024



8:30am Doors Open

9:00am Worship and Welcome

9:45am Project Isaiah 43: Diving Deeper

11:15am Business Session 1

11:45am Lunch

1:00pm Prayer Stations

1:30pm Business Session 2

3:15pm Project Isaiah 43: Diving Deeper

3:30pm Worship and Sending

Menu



2024 Synod Assembly - Buffet Lunch

V - Vegetarian, VG - Vegan, GF - Gluten Free

Salad with Cucumber and Tomato (VG, GF), Choice of Ranch (V) or Italian (VG, GF) Dressing, Herbed Croutons (V) and Artisan Rolls (VG)

Fresh Seasonal Fruit Salad (VG, GF)

Broccoli and Dried Cherry Salad (V, GF)

Grilled Chicken (GF)

Pasta (VG)

Penne with Spinach, Mushroom, Leeks, Roasted Tomato and Olive Oil

Potatoes (VG, GF) **Rosemary Roasted Redskin Potatoes**

Vegetable Medley (VG, GF) **Broccoli, Cauliflower, and Carrots**

Watching & Waiting...

Dessert (V, VG, GF)

Fresh Baked Cookies and
Chocolate Brownies

(there will be a selection of VG and GF options)

If you have **medical** dietary needs please contact Ronald Dorsey at the J. S. Knight Center at 330-374-8900 or email <u>rdorsey@visitakronsummit.org</u> by May 24, 2024, and mention that you will be attending the Northeastern Ohio Synod Assembly.

General Assembly Information



PRIOR TO ARRIVAL:

- Review Assembly Materials for directions, maps, election information, agenda, reports, and more.
- Bring the Assembly Materials with you, either printed or in digital format, for the Business Sessions on Saturday, June 1, 2024.
- Lunch on Saturday will be available for all attendees. If you have medical dietary
 needs please contact Ronald Dorsey at the J. S. Knight Center at 330-374-8900
 or email rdorsey@visitakron-summit.org by May 24 and mention that you will be
 attending the Northeastern Ohio Synod Assembly.

DAY OF ASSEMBLY:

- DOORS DO NOT OPEN until 8:30 am on Saturday, June 1. No entry to the John S. Knight Center will happen before that time. If you happen to arrive early, please wait outside or in your vehicle. Thank you in advance for your patience.
- Voting members MUST bring their own device to use the PointSolutions voting app (examples: smart phone, tablet, laptop). Voting assistance will be available in Exhibit Hall 1 during open voting times.
- We are not able to accommodate walk-in registrations. Everyone including non-voting attendees MUST have pre-registered.
- Nametags will be pre-printed and distributed at the registration table located in the lobby of the John S. Knight Center.
- You MUST have a nametag to be in the Knight Center. If you do not have a nametag you may be asked to leave.
- If you need to contact the synod staff during the assembly call the synod office at 330-929-9022 and leave a message for Sony Richardson-Gilroy at extension 24.
 All messages will be forwarded to Sony's cell phone, while she is on site at the Knight Center.
- Notice: Synod Assembly will be livestreamed. Photos and videos will be taken to be used on social media and in future communication/publicity materials.

Voting with PointSolutions App



Login information for voting using the PointSolutions app by Turning Technologies will be sent to the email address used to register as a voting member. You will receive **an email** with login information. If you do not receive this email **by**Monday, May 20, 2024 email assembly@neos-elca.org using the email address you registered with to receive a copy of the email with login information.

If a dummy (non-working) email address was used when registering you MUST email assembly@neos-elca.org and request the login information for the voting app. In the email requesting the voting app login information include: the voting member's first and last name, dummy email (voting app email), and name of congregation and city.

Please note: The email address used for registering will also be used to authenticate registered voting members for the 2024 Business Sessions.

John S. Knight Center Safety & Security



- No outside food or beverages can be brought into the facility.
- Name badges should be worn at all times while in the John S. Knight Center.
- Unless otherwise authorized by law, pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code, no person shall knowingly possess, have under the person's control, convey or attempt to convey a deadly weapon or dangerous ordnance onto these premises.
- Concealed weapons will not be permitted into the facility.
- Purses, diaper bags, briefcases, camera cases and other small personal bags may be allowed, but may be inspected at any time.
- Only service animals pursuant to the Americans With Disabilities Act are permitted in the John S. Knight Center. In accordance with the Health Department, other pets/animals are not permitted in the building.

Thank you for your cooperation in the enforcement of these necessary procedures at the John S. Knight Center.

Driving Directions



John S. Knight Center • 77 E. Mill Street • Akron, OH 44308

330-374-8900 • 800-245-4254 • <u>www.johnsknightcenter.org</u>

Summit County Construction Update: Visit <u>Summit County: Construction</u> <u>update | Ohio Department of Transportation</u> for updated information on road closures, construction advisories, and detours.

FROM TURNPIKE VIA RT. 8:

I-80 East to Exit 180 (Rt. 8 South) / Follow Rt. 8 South to Perkins St. Exit / Right on Perkins St. to High St. / Left on High St. / Stay on High St. (one-way street going South) / Knight Center is located on the left at the corner of High & Mill Streets.

FROM NORTH VIA I-77 & WEST VIA I-76: (review construction update)

I-77 & I-76 (they run concurrently briefly) to Exit 22A VIA I-77 (Main/Broadway/ Downtown) and WEST / You will merge with a one-way side street (South St.) VIA I-76 / Follow South St. to 2nd light / At that point all traffic MUST turn left onto Broadway, which is a one-way street going North / Follow Broadway to Mill St. (about 1-1 1/2 miles) / Knight Center is located at the corner on Broadway & Mill St.

FROM NORTH & SOUTH VIA I-77: (review construction update)

I-71 to I-76 East to Exit 22A (Main/Broadway/Downtown) / (follow directions above) VIA I-77

FROM SOUTH VIA I-71 & EAST VIA I-76: (review construction update)

I-77 & I-76 to Exit 22A (Main/Broadway/Downtown) / VIA I-77 On the exit ramp, bear right to Broadway / EAST Broadway is a one-way street going North / VIA I-76 Follow Broadway to Mill St. (about 1-1 1/2 miles) Center is at the corner of Broadway & Mill St.

NOTE: Parking is **FREE** in all City of Akron parking lots and decks.

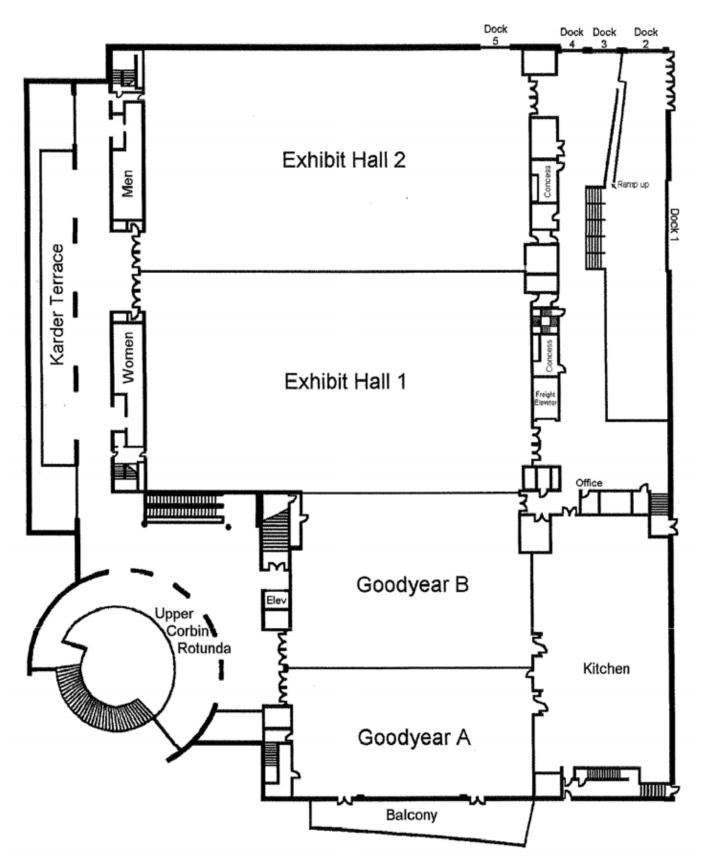
Broadway Parking Deck (entrances located at E. Mill St. & Wheeler Ln. or S. Broadway St) is the closest deck to the Knight Center. There is a fee to park in the Akron Art Museum lot at the back of the Knight Center. If you choose to park there, you will be responsible to pay for parking in this lot and will not be reimbursed.



John S. Knight Center Floor Plan



All Assembly Events Will Take Place on Level Two:



Language for Introducing Motions



For clarity and consistency, voting members should use the standard language for parliamentary procedure when introducing motions on the floor of the assembly. The chart below offers standard phrases used when introducing motions for various purposes.

| If you wish to | You say | | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Close the meeting | I move to adjourn. | | | | | |
| Take a break | I move to recess for (specify time duration) OR until (time certain). | | | | | |
| Register a complaint | I rise to a question of privilege. | | | | | |
| Require the assembly to return to its agenda | I call for the orders of the day. | | | | | |
| Lay a matter aside temporarily | I move to lay the question on the table. | | | | | |
| Close debate | I move the previous question. | | | | | |
| Limit or extend debate | I move that debate be limited to | | | | | |
| Postpone to a certain time | I move to postpone the motion to (time certain). | | | | | |
| Refer the motion to a committee | I move to refer the motion to (committee name). | | | | | |
| Modify the wording of the motion | I move to amend the motion by | | | | | |
| Kill the main motion | I move that the motion be postponed indefinitely. | | | | | |
| Bring business before the assembly | I move that OR I move to | | | | | |
| Enforce the rules | Point of order. | | | | | |
| Submit a matter to the assembly after a ruling from the chair | I appeal the decision of the chair. | | | | | |
| Suspend the rules | I move to suspend the rules. | | | | | |
| Avoid a main motion altogether | I object to the consideration of | | | | | |
| Divide a motion | I move to divide the question. | | | | | |
| Demand a rising vote | I move for a rising vote. | | | | | |
| Ask a parliamentary law question | Parliamentary inquiry. | | | | | |
| Request for information | Point of information. | | | | | |
| Take a matter from the table | I move to take from the table | | | | | |
| Reconsider a motion | I move to reconsider | | | | | |
| Cancel a previous action | I move to rescind | | | | | |

For the charts on the following page (pg. 7):

- + Only an affirmative vote can be reconsidered
- Only a negative vote can be reconsidered
- * Exceptions exist
- M = Majority

Chart of Ranking Motions



| Name of Motion in Order of Rank | Section | Interrupt? | Second? | Debatable? | Amendable? | Vote | Reconsider? |
|----------------------------------|---------|------------|---------|------------|------------|--------|-------------|
| Privileged | | | | | | | |
| Fix the time to which to adjourn | 22 | NO | YES | NO* | YES | М | YES |
| Adjourn | 21 | NO | YES | NO* | NO* | М | NO |
| Take a recess | 20 | NO | YES | NO | YES | М | NO |
| Raise a question of privilege | 19 | YES | NO | NO | NO | CHAIR* | NO |
| Call for the orders of the day | 18 | YES | NO | NO | NO | NO* | NO |
| Subsidiary | | | | | | | |
| Lay on the table | 17 | NO | YES | NO | NO | М | YES(-) |
| Previous question | 16 | NO | YES | NO | NO* | 2/3 | YES* |
| Limit or extend limits of debate | 15 | NO | YES | NO | YES | 2/3 | YES |
| Postpone to a certain time | 14 | NO | YES | YES | YES | M* | YES |
| Commit or refer | 13 | NO | YES | YES | YES | М | YES* |
| Amend | 12 | NO | YES | YES* | YES*(x1) | М | YES |
| Postpone indefinitely | 11 | NO | YES | YES | NO | М | YES(+) |
| Main motion | | | | | | | |
| Main motion | 10 | NO | YES | YES | YES | М | YES |

Chart of Nonranking Motions



| Name of Motion | Section | Interrupt? | Second? | Debatable? | Amendable? | Vote | Reconsider? |
|---|---------|------------|---------|------------|------------|----------|-------------|
| Incidental | | | | | | | |
| Appeal | 24 | YES | YES | YES | NO | М | YES |
| Consider by paragraph/seriatim | 28 | NO | YES | NO | YES | М | NO |
| Division of the Assembly | 29 | YES | NO | NO | NO | DEMAND | NO |
| Division of a question | 27 | NO | YES | NO | YES | М | NO |
| Nominations and polls (reopen) | 31 | NO | YES | NO | YES | М | YES (-) |
| Nominations and polls (close) | 31 | NO | YES | NO | YES | 2/3 | NO |
| Objection to consideration of a question | 26 | YES | NO | NO | NO | 2/3 | YES (-) |
| Parliamentary inquiry | 33 | YES | NO | NO | NO | NO-CHAIR | NO |
| Point of information | 33 | YES | NO | NO | NO | NO-CHAIR | NO |
| Point of order | 10 | YES | NO | NO* | NO | NO-CHAIR | NO |
| Ratify/confirm | 10 | NO | YES | YES | YES | М | YES |
| Requests to withdraw a motion, read a paper, etc. | 33 | YES | NO* | NO | NO | M* | YES* |
| Suspend the rules | 25 | NO | YES | NO | NO | 2/3* | NO |
| Voting | 30 | NO | YES | NO* | YES | M* | YES |
| Bring Back Motions | | | | | | | |
| Discharge a committee | 36 | NO | YES | YES | YES | 2/3* | YES(-) |
| Reconsider | 37 | YES* | YES | YES | NO | М | NO |
| Rescind or amend something previously adopted | 35 | NO | YES | YES | YES | 2/3* | YES(-) |
| Take from the table | 34 | NO | YES | NO | NO | М | NO |