



Metropolitan Washington,  
D.C. Synod, ELCA  
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### Assembly Display Policy

The Assembly Planning Committee shall determine the amount of space available for displays at each assembly site, year by year, and shall determine the fees charged for displays that are and are not directly related to the offices and divisions of this synod in coordination with the Synod Council. **For Synod Assembly 2017, there are a limited number of tables available for displays.** Applications will be reviewed by the planning committee for content of display and how it relates to the Synod Assembly theme. Permission or license for displays at each assembly shall be given in light of the following priorities:

**First Priority:** Synod divisions and offices.

**Second Priority:** Agencies and ministries directly affiliated with this synod, its congregations and/or the ELCA.

**Third Priority:** Independent organizations, services, or ministries, related or useful to, the ministry of this church (e.g. church fund raising organizations, ecclesiastical arts agencies).

In principle, display authorization at this synod's assemblies shall always be considered a privilege and shall never be considered a right of any organization not officially affiliated with this synod and/or the ELCA.

In accord with available "third party space" the Assembly Planning Committee shall choose as many as seems appropriate from among the applicants.

Organizations whose prior behavior or whose styles of ministry are thought to be or have been demonstrated to be demeaning of persons of differing viewpoints as to their worth as individuals, or their worthiness to hear the Gospel or to live in community with other believers, shall not be permitted the privilege of display at assemblies of this synod.

Decisions of the Assembly Planning Committee in this regard are considered final.

A copy of this Policy along with Fee Schedules and Application Forms can be found at:  
[www.metrodcelca.org/events/synod-assembly/](http://www.metrodcelca.org/events/synod-assembly/)

*Display Policy as stated in the Rules of Procedure for the 2017 Metropolitan Washington D.C. Synod Assembly.*