



Visual/Audio/Written Newsletter - 10/2020

[Wednesday Noon Live](#)

Wisconsin Elections Commission's Reid Magney
(Please share with others)

What is your plan? Addressing Voter Suppression caused by Misinformation Campaigns!

We at LOPPW recognize that a misinformation campaign about voting via social media is a form of voter suppression. Spreading correct information about voting is a way to counter voter suppression and to correct wrong information shared unintentionally. You've perhaps heard the question, What is your voting plan? We also ask, **What is your plan for spreading the truth about voting?** Using reliable resources, consider making a plan to share correct information by posting written facts and/or a video two or three times per week on social media until election day on November 3.

In addition to the interview with Reid Magney, below are two of the short videos, **Ballot Box FAQ**, Kyle organized (find weekly videos on our social media until Nov. 3):

- [Ensuring Your Absentee Ballot is Counted](#) - includes a segment from our interview with Reid Magney
- [Registering to Vote](#)

Feel free to share the above videos as well as our Voter Guides:

Comprehensive [2020 LOPPW Voting Guide One Pager](#) – [2020 LOPPW Voting Overview](#).

Also check out videos from the Wisconsin Elections Commission: elections.wi.gov/2020, information at myvote.wi.gov, as well as on the site for your local municipal clerk.

[Webinar & New Advocacy Resource from the National Women of the ELCA](#)

Lifting our Voices during the Pandemic - Tuesday, October 13, 2020 from 6:30-7:30, sponsored by LOPPW and Women of the ELCA in the East Central Synod. So you know the why, but what about the how-to in advocacy? Learn about starting or expanding an advocacy

ministry in your congregations and lifting your voices in public, with examples of addressing concrete issues. Register [HERE](#).

Updated and Refreshed Resource, [Called to be Political](#) - read about and download! One of the contributors was Wisconsin's very own Shirley Paulson of the East Central Synod.

Care for God's Creation Announcements

- **Statewide:** If you are interested in joining our **Statewide Care for God's Creation Task Force** please contact cindyc@loppw.org
- **Dane County:** Please consider taking this [Survey](#) for houses of worship for the Dane County Office of Environmental Stewardship!

Executive Orders - COVID-19 and Resistance to the Mask Mandate

This summer, Governor Evers issued an [Executive Order](#) requiring people 5 years and older to wear a face covering in enclosed public spaces from August 1 - September 28. Recently, the Governor wrote another [Executive Order](#) to extend the mask mandate until November 21. That mandate can be challenged by the legislature or court system; it has in the courts. The Wisconsin Institute of Law and Liberty filed a lawsuit, and requested an immediate temporary injunction of the order while waiting to argue their full case. If that fails and is not appealed, the legislature could convene and strike it down. The legislature could also on its own create a mandate to support the Governor's, but has not.

In the meantime an [Emergency Order](#) was issued to limit public gatherings to no more than 25 percent of a room or building's total occupancy, with exemptions.

LOPPW advocates for research-driven, data-backed policy that aligns with our ELCA values. And nonpartisan science and public health experts are very clear on this; masks help curb the spread of COVID-19. COVID-19 cases are exploding here across Wisconsin, and Governor Evers, Lt. Governor Barnes, and state public health leaders are working within their narrow purview to help stop the spread. But they are receiving resistance. One thing we all can do is voice our support for the Governor's mask mandate to our friends, family, and on social media. Talk to your representatives, also your county health officers and county officials about wanting mandates in place to protect our health. And, of course, we should all wear a mask!

Action Alerts

On our website, please find an important action alert related to immigration under the national section entitled "**Press for American Dream and Promise Act**" that supports dreamers and protects the Temporary Protected Status of many in danger of losing their asylum in the U.S. We are disappointed in the stall on passing a new stimulus bill, placing hungry people and those in fear of falling into poverty at greater risk, but the action alerts from the national office and LOPPW are still active - the two alerts vary in what is already written in the alert bodies for you. Find these and other significant action alerts in our [Action Center](#).

Thank you for taking time with us and for your public love for your neighbor.