**Name: Liv Larson Andrews** 

**Current Position:** Pastor

**Congregation Membership:** Salem Lutheran

Church, Spokane, WA

Ordination Date: February 13, 2010

#### **Previous Positions:**

- Guest Pastor, Holden Village, August 2021
- Presenter and Author, ELCA office of Worship
- Lent and the Three Days retreats and book, summer 2009
- Chaplain Resident (CPE year-long residency), Lutheran General Hospital, Arlington Heights, IL
- 2006-2007
- Intern Pastor, Attoway-Kimberlin Lutheran Parish, Rural Retreat, VA 2004-2005

#### **Education and Earned Degrees:**

- Master of Divinity with biblical emphasis, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, 2006
- Class president, 2005-2006
- Bachelor of Arts, Valparaiso University, 2002, summa cum laude
- Distinguished Scholar Award, Christ College Honors College

## List up to five current or past synod or churchwide activities that would inform your service as bishop of this synod:

- Dean, Spokane Westward Cluster
- Worship Team, NWIM Synod
- HAVEN for the health of rostered leaders, group facilitator
- Grunewald Guild, Board Member and Secretary, 2016-2022
- Consultant on All Creation Sings, 2019

## List up to five current or past community-related activities that would inform your service as bishop of this synod:

- Spokane Urban Ministries, affordable housing ministry Board member
- Advisory Council, Institute for Liturgical Studies at Valparaiso University Board member with a focus on engaging the arts and ritual movement
- Whitworth University Guest speaker in classroom settings on housing, the death penalty, sexuality, and gender justice



- Project Hope/River City Youth Ops, youth empowerment through urban agriculture Board member, 2008-2013
- Windsong School Parent Circle member

### What gifts would you bring to the office of bishop of this synod?

- Curator of "treasures old and new" Matthew 13:52
- Playful spirit, reverent spirituality
- Calm presence in tense times

# What do you see as the principal challenge to this synod in the next six years, and how would you address it?

Being the gathered Body of Christ (local) while changing amid an anxious world (global) and keeping our hope alive (eternal).

Our local expressions need connection and care. Our global witness demands justice and truth-telling. Our eternal identity, rooted in God's promise, kindles a dream for the future.

I would: 1. Cast a vision for the present time that equips faith communities to catch the hope alive in Jesus for mission and ministry. 2. Build networks of leaders within and between synods for creative efforts. 3. Pour my own hope and love of this church and its message into each person I meet. And pray always.

### Describe your leadership style.

• Table-centered: Sacramental

• People-focused: Relational

• Beauty-seeking: Artful