



# Northern Synod 47th Meeting 3-6 April 2025 Theme: 'Woven into a Tapestry of Love'

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### **Moderator Elect**

With the passing of Rev Dr Michelle Cook the Northern Synod does not currently have a Moderator Elect to install as Moderator at the opening service of worship at the 47th Meeting of the Synod 3-6 April 2025.

At its meeting on the 21-22 February, the Northern Synod Standing Committee discerned a way forward in the lead up to the 47th Synod meeting and for the ensuing 18 months until the 48th Meeting in October 2026.

It is the discernment of the Northern Synod Standing Committee that an Acting Moderator be appointed by the Northern Synod Standing Committee and will commence at the 47th Synod Meeting, to be held on 3-6 April 2025. This decision, however, requires the approval of the Assembly Standing Committee at its meeting on the 14-16 March 2025. Once approval has been given, the name of the Acting Moderator will be announced 14 days prior to the 47th Synod Meeting.

The Acting Moderator will chair the 47th Synod Meeting and the Synod Standing Committee until the 48th Meeting in 2026.

At the 47th Synod Meeting on 3-6 April 2025, the Synod will elect a Convenor for the Moderator Search Committee as per the Northern Synod By-Laws. Names for Moderator will be brought to the 48th Synod Meeting for election.

This is an uncertain time in the Northern Synod, but we pray and trust that, "In every age Christ the Good Shepherd calls his faithful servants to preach the gospel, celebrate the sacraments of the new covenant and build up his people in faith and love.

*I want you woven into a tapestry of love - Colossians 2:2-3*

## **Proposals**

A proposal form is attached to this email. The closing date for receiving proposals shall be 1 March 2025. Please email to our General Secretary [janet.staines@ns.uca.org.au](mailto:janet.staines@ns.uca.org.au)

## **Nominations**

Nomination forms will be sent on 3 March 2025. The closing date for receiving nominations shall be 4 April 2025 at 7pm. The ballots for the Northern Synod Committees shall be held in Session 11 on Sunday 6 April 2025.

## **Visitors**

Visitors are welcome to join the Opening Service of Worship on Thursday evening and the Social Gathering on Saturday evening.

## **Social Gathering**

A Fellowship night will be held on Saturday 5 April at Casuarina UC from 7.00pm to 9.00pm. An invitation is extended to all members of the Northern Synod and friends to join in this social gathering. If you would like to bring a song, a dance, a poem or another item, please contact Rev Tony Goodluck (mob: 0448 680 215) to let him know.

## **Meals**

All lunches, morning and afternoon teas and dinners will be catered for, commencing with a dinner on Thursday evening, up to and including Sunday lunch. The menu will cater for dietary requirements and needs. Please ensure that any special dietary needs are noted when registering.

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