

Eastern Washington – Idaho Synod Assembly 2018
Resolution 3
Synod Assembly Task Force

1 **WHEREAS** it has been an expressed goal of the Eastern Washington-Idaho Synod to have a
2 greater connection between the members of our congregations and the congregations themselves,
3 and

4 **WHEREAS** each congregation is only allotted a small amount of representation at the synod
5 assembly and it takes a significant amount of funds to send voting members there, and

6 **WHEREAS** there are other ways we might gather to meet our goal of greater connection at a
7 lower cost per congregation;

8 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that we give responsibility to the Eastern
9 Washington-Idaho Synod Bishop to lead a four-year trial beginning in 2020 in which we have
10 synod assemblies in odd numbered years and three inspirational one-day regional gatherings in
11 even numbered years, and

12 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Eastern Washington-Idaho Synod Bishop appoint and
13 lead a task force to plan and implement the three one-day regional gatherings in even numbered
14 years, and

15 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that each congregation/worshipping community be strongly
16 urged to commit \$300 in even numbered years to subsidize/fund speakers and venue costs for the
17 one-day regional gatherings.

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