

Responses of 602 randomly selected ELCA attendees

Do you agree or disagree with each of these statements?

44. If I had to change my membership to another congregation, I would feel a great sense of loss.
 40.7% Strongly agree
 41.0 Agree
 6.7 Disagree
 1.6 Strongly disagree
 10.0 Not sure
45. The congregation I am a member of has helped me grow as a Christian.
 34.6% Strongly agree
 54.8 Agree
 3.2 Disagree
 0.9 Strongly disagree
 6.5 Not sure
46. It is important for me to be a member of a Lutheran church.
 41.6% Strongly agree
 39.2 Agree
 10.1 Disagree
 1.7 Strongly disagree
 7.3 Not sure
47. It is important for me to be a member of a congregation that is associated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA).
 26.3% Strongly agree
 43.1 Agree
 14.0 Disagree
 2.5 Strongly disagree
 14.2 Not sure
48. For the most part I don't think it matters what kind of church one attends.
 8.2% Strongly agree
 45.4 Agree
 30.2 Disagree
 8.9 Strongly disagree
 7.2 Not sure
49. I think a person should do what they think is right for them, even if it means going against the teachings of their church.
 6.7% Strongly agree
 26.0 Agree
 42.6 Disagree
 13.3 Strongly disagree
 11.5 Not sure
50. I don't think any church is much help when it comes to dealing with daily life.
 1.7% Strongly agree
 4.4 Agree
 52.5 Disagree
 38.0 Strongly disagree
 3.3 Not sure

51. I can worship God as well on my own as with others in a worship service.
 6.5% Strongly agree
 34.8 Agree
 39.9 Disagree
 13.8 Strongly disagree
 4.9 Not sure
52. All in all, how comfortable do you feel with the majority of the people who are part of your congregation? (Mark only *one*.)
 2.5% I really don't feel comfortable with them
 8.4 I feel comfortable with them some of the time
 50.2 I feel comfortable with them most of the time
 36.1 I feel comfortable with them all of the time
 2.8 I'm not sure how comfortable I feel with them
53. Of the five friends you spend the most time with (apart from family members), how many are members of the congregation you attend? (Mark only *one*.)
 42.1% None 10.0 Three
 16.6 One 6.2 Four
 14.6 Two 10.5 Five
54. If your pastor gave you the names of three persons or families in your neighborhood who were not church members, offered to train you in visitation, and asked you to visit them, and to share the meaning of the gospel in your life, how would you respond? (Mark only *one*.)
 14.5% I would accept gladly
 35.5 I would accept, but I would be anxious about it
 30.0 I would probably say no
 20.0 I am not sure how I would respond
55. In the last year or so, have you read any portion of the Lutheran magazine?
 38.0% No
 59.7 Yes
 2.3 Not sure
56. In the last year or so, have you listened to any installment of the Lutheran Vespers radio program?
 82.6% No
 14.9 Yes
 2.5 Not sure
57. In the last year or so, have you visited the home page of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America <www.elca.org>?
 86.4% No
 12.4 Yes
 1.3 Not sure
58. In the last year or so, have you seen/heard any radio, television, or billboard advertising for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America or a congregation of the ELCA?
 56.7% No
 33.5 Yes
 9.8 Not sure