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Office of  
the Secretary

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Dear ELCA Insurance Participant:

I'm writing to inform you that the Office of the Secretary in consultation with the Office of the Treasurer has moved the underwriting of the ELCA-endorsed Property and Liability Insurance Program to Church Mutual Insurance Company.

The decision to move the program is effective immediately.

### **What this means for you and your insurance protection.**

Your current policy and coverage will remain in full force throughout its term, underwritten by your current insurance company. However, if you should choose to revise or renew your coverage through our ELCA program, the underwriter will be Church Mutual.

### **Why we're making this change.**

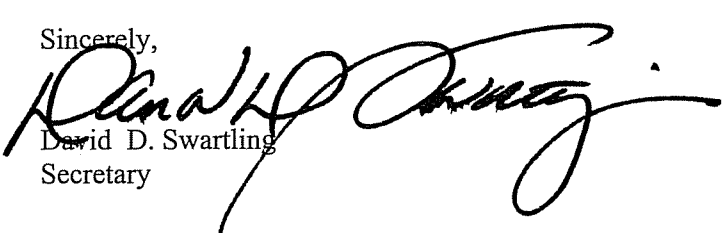
The goal of the re-evaluation and decision was to provide ELCA congregations and synods with excellent insurance protection and excellent customer service. Church Mutual has been a clear leader in these areas. The company protects more than 97,000 religious organizations — more than twice as many as their nearest competitor. They currently insure the ELCA churchwide office, nine ELCA regional offices, various synod offices, and approximately 3,300 ELCA congregations.

Church Mutual has an excellent reputation for service among the many ELCA congregations they currently protect. Overall, Church Mutual's record of prompt, fair claims payment is exemplary.

In the near future you will be receiving additional communication from Church Mutual outlining the many advantages of this change. For more information now, you can visit our Web site, [www.elca.org/insurance](http://www.elca.org/insurance), or go to [www.churchmutual.com/ELCA](http://www.churchmutual.com/ELCA).

It is always a privilege to serve you. We thank you for your continued trust.

Sincerely,

  
David D. Swartling  
Secretary