



REV. SARA LILJA

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PERSONAL PROFILE

Rev. Sara Lilja serves as an Officer for the New Jersey Coalition of Religious Leaders.

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EDUCATION

Rev. Lilja is a graduate of Wittenberg University, the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Gettysburg where presently she serves as a Board member and is a Fellow in American Association of Pastoral Counselors. Rev. Lilja is a DMin Candidate from Garret Evangelical Seminary.

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Reverend Sara Lilja an ordained Lutheran pastor is the Executive Director of the Lutherans Engaging in Advocacy Ministries for the New Jersey Synod Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. The Mission of LEAMNJ is to empower congregations and individuals for Peace and Justice in the world. LEAMNJ priorities focus on housing, health care, hunger, and employment.

Rev. Lilja coordinated advocacy efforts that has accomplished eliminating monetary bail, prevention of gun violence, increasing the minimum wage and creation of paid sick leave for all workers in New Jersey. She has served as Board Member and President of the Anti Poverty Network of New Jersey, 2010-2020 and a Steering Committee member "For the Many" Coalition 2021.

Rev. Lilja has served with New Jersey Cease Fire, 2012-2020, the Lead NJ class of 2020 and now serves in the Governor's Task Group on reopening 2021.