

**Resolution: 3**  
**Recommendation: Do Pass**  
**Action Taken: Defeated**  
(yes = 125, no = 291, abstain = 26)

**Subject: Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Thrivent Choice Program**  
**Source: Northern Plains Conference**

WHEREAS, Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and the predecessor fraternal organizations Lutheran Brotherhood and Aid Association for Lutherans have been strong supporters of our Lutheran Congregations and;

WHEREAS, Thrivent Financial for Lutherans has given direct financial support to our congregation in recent years of \$1,000 to \$1,300 per year and;

WHEREAS, this past year our congregation received \$0.00 from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans through the new “Thrivent Choice” program, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the South Dakota Synod Assembly request Thrivent Financial for Lutherans to return to the former system of allocating monies to congregations, and be it further

RESOLVED, the South Dakota Synod Assembly request the South Dakota Synod Bishop and the South Dakota Synod Council to convey our wishes to the management and the board of directors of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.