

2017 CONVENTION PROGRAM

All events are in the Ronald J. Younge Gymnasium of the *Sports and Fitness Center* unless noted otherwise.

SYNOD SUNDAY, JUNE 18, 2017

- 3:00 Festival Service (*Trinity Chapel*)
Preacher: The Rev. John A. Moldstad (President, Evangelical Lutheran Synod)
Liturgist: The Rev. Samuel Gullixson (Parkland, Washington)
Lector: The Rev. Gaylin Schmeling (President, Bethany Lutheran Theological Seminary)
Installation of the Rev. Dr. Timothy Schmeling (Bethany Lutheran Theological Seminary)

The offering has been designated for the *Proclaim His Wonders Thankoffering*
Welcome to the 100th Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod.
Presentation of the centennial book: *Proclaim His Wonders*

- 4:30 Dinner (free will donation)

- 5:00 – 7:00 Registration (delegates' credentials, clergy roll call, payment of fees)
All pastors and delegates need to report to the Registration Desk

6:00 ELS Historical Society Annual Meeting and Program*

MONDAY, JUNE 19

- 8:00 – 9:00 Registration, continued
9:00 – 9:30 Opening Devotion (*Trinity Chapel*)
Chaplain: The Rev Dan Hartwig (Okauchee, Wisconsin)
10:00 Organization of the Convention:
Roll Call Report
Credential Committee Report
Official Opening of the Convention
Pastors' Equalization Rules
Welcoming of Guests
10:30 Essay and Discussion: *Proclaim the Wonders God Has Done: Sola Scriptura*
The Rev. Timothy Schmeling (Mankato, Minnesota)

- 11:30 Recess

- 1:00 Scripture, Hymn & Prayer
Deaths noted:

Loretta Behrens (1918–2016)
Doris Schmugge (1921–2016)
E. C. F. Stubenvoll Sr. (1925–2016)

1:30–3:30 The Bethany Women's Auxiliary of Mankato will host a tea reception at 1117 Lori Lane. *

- 1:05 Organization of the Convention (continued)
Credentials: Committee 3
Adoption of the Convention Program
Nominating ballot for the 2018 Committee on Nominations (printed ballot)
Assignment of Committees
Assignment of Work

- 2:00 Committee meetings (*Honsey Hall*)

The official list of delegates attending committee meetings is gathered by the committee secretaries. Any alternate delegate name changes are to be reported at this time.

- 3:00 Coffee (*Honsey Hall*)

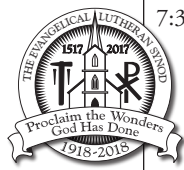
- 3:30 – 5:00 Committee meetings continue

7:00 Cross-stitch presentation*
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- 7:00 – 9:00 Committee meetings continue

TUESDAY, JUNE 20

- 8:00 Committee Meetings (as necessary)
- 9:00 – 9:30 Opening Devotion (*Trinity Chapel*)
Preacher: The Rev. Matthew Moldstad (North Mankato, Minnesota)
- 9:45 Preliminaries:
Minutes: Committee 5
Credentials: Committee 3
Program: Committee 4
- 9:55 Synodical Membership & reception of new members: Committee 13
- 10:15 Centennial/Anniversary Committee presentation
John Braun (“A Return to Grace: Luther’s Life and Legacy”)
- 10:30 Essay and Discussion: *Proclaim the Wonders God Has Done: Sola Gratia*
The Rev. Tony Pittenger (Port Orchard, Washington)
- 11:30 Recess
- 1:00 Scripture, Hymn & Prayer
- 1:05 Preliminaries:
Credentials: Committee 3
Program: Committee 4
- 1:10 Centennial book distribution: *Proclaim His Wonders*
- 1:20 Greeting & Presentations
- 1:30 Election of the 2018 Committee on Nominations [first printed ballot] †
- 1:40 Doctrine: Committee 6
- 2:00 Elections: Committee 8
- 2:30 Higher Education Presentations
- 3:00 Recess
- 3:30 Higher Education: Committee 8
- 3:45 President’s Message and Report: Committee 1
- 4:00 Synodical Membership (clergy roster): Committee 13
- 4:05 World Outreach Presentation
- 4:30 World Outreach: Committee 9
- 5:00 Recess
- 7:30 Reformation Anniversary Hymn Festival (*Trinity Chapel*)
- 6:30 Hahn Financial Presentation*



7:30 Reformation Anniversary Hymn Festival in Trinity Chapel including works for organ, brass, percussion, choir and congregation. Jacob Weber will be the organist and featured composer for this event.
Live stream: <els.org/2017convention>
Recording (available the next day): <els.org/lutheran-500>

† Subsequent ballots for the 2018 Committee on Nominations will be brought forward as and when needed.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

- 8:00 Opening Devotion (*Trinity Chapel*)
Preacher: The Rev. Peter Heyn (Deshler, Ohio)
- 8:45 Preliminaries:
Minutes: Committee 5
Credentials: Committee 3
Program: Committee 4
- 8:55 Parish Services: Committee 12
- 9:10 Elections: Committee 8
- 9:30 Finances: Committee 7
- 9:45 Anniversary Offering Presentation
- 10:00 Recess
- 10:30 Essay and Discussion: *Proclaim the Wonders God Has Done: Sola Fide*
The Rev. Jerome Gernander (Princeton, Minnesota)
- 11:30 Recess
- 1:00 Scripture, Prayer, and Honor Choir
- 1:05 Preliminaries:
Credentials: Committee 3
Program: Committee 4
- 1:10 Greetings & Presentations
- 1:20 Home Outreach Presentation
- 1:45 Home Outreach: Committee 9
- 2:00 Finances: Committee 7
- 2:15 Elections: Committee 8
- 2:45 Giving Counselor
- 3:00 Recess
- 3:30 Anniversaries Observed:
Herbert Huhnerkoch 40 years
Charles Keeler 40 years
Nile Merseth 40 years
Steven Petersen 40 years
Kenneth Schmidt 40 years
David Meyer 25 years
Alex Ring 25 years
Mark Rogers 25 years
- 3:40 Pastoral Conference Records and Resolutions: Committee 15
- 3:50 Miscellaneous: Committee 14
- 4:15 Elementary Education: Committee 11
- 4:30 Excuses: Credentials Committee 3
- 4:45 Unfinished Business
- 5:00 Recess
- 7:30 Communion Service (*Trinity Chapel*)
Preacher: The Rev. Mark Bartels (Madison, Wisconsin)
Liturgist: The Rev. Benjamin Wiechmann (Golden Valley, Minnesota)
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THURSDAY, JUNE 22

8:00 Opening Devotion (*Younge Gymnasium*)

8:15 Preliminaries:

Minutes: Committee 5

Credentials: Committee 3

Program: Committee 4

8:30 Unfinished Business

Adjournment

Closing Hymn & Prayer (Chaplain)

12:00 Honor Choir Closing Recital* <i>Trinity Chapel</i>

** These concurrent events are not an official part of the convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod.*