



Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

**Agenda\***

July 27-30, 2015

Michigan Lutheran Seminary, Saginaw, Mich.

*\*The agenda is subject to change at any time. A revised agenda for each morning and afternoon session will be distributed by the Steering Committee.*

**MONDAY EVENING – JULY 27, 2015**

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| 5:00 PM | Dinner service begins  |
| 6:30 PM | Opening service with communion at St. Paul's Lutheran Church<br>(Corner of Court and Bond Streets)<br><i>Presiding minister: Rev. Mark Schroeder, WELS president</i><br><i>Preacher: Rev. Paul Koelpin</i> |
| 8:00 PM | Committees meet to organize and plan   |
| 9:00 PM | Fellowship and refreshments  |

**TUESDAY MORNING – JULY 28, 2015**

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| 8:00 AM  | Lutheran Women's Missionary Society presentation of the flags   |   |
| 8:30 AM  | Opening gavel/Organization of the convention <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Call to order</li><li>• Morning devotion: One with God</li><li>• Welcome</li></ul> | <i>Pres. Mark Schroeder</i><br><i>Rev. Thomas Westra</i><br><i>MLS President Joel Petermann</i> |
| 8:45 AM  | Floor Committee #24 (Elections)<br><i>Nominating ballot for synod president</i>   |   |
| 9:00 AM  | Orientation   | <i>2nd Vice President Joel Voss</i>   |
| 9:20 AM  | Introduction of special guests and observers  | <i>Rev. Mark Schroeder</i>  |
| 9:30 AM  | Convention communications   | <i>Director of Communications</i><br><i>Lee Hitter</i>  |
| 9:45 AM  | Floor Committee #26<br><i>Election for synod president</i>  |   |
| 10:00 AM | Break   |   |

10:15 AM	Ministry Financial Plan (budget) 2015–17	<i>WELS CFO Todd Poppe</i>
11:00 AM	Floor Committee #26 (Elections)	
11:15 AM	President's report	<i>Rev. Mark Schroeder</i>
12 NOON	Lunch	

## **TUESDAY AFTERNOON – JULY 28, 2015**

1:30 PM	Floor Committee #24 (Elections)	
1:45 PM	Essay: "One in Christ"	<i>Rev. James Huebner</i>
2:45 PM	Discussion of the essay	
3:15 PM	Floor Committee #24 (Elections)	
3:30 PM	Committee meetings	
5:30 PM	Dinner	

## **TUESDAY EVENING – JULY 28, 2015**

7:00 PM	Mission presentation (convention hall)	<i>Bishop Horpynchuk</i>
7:30 PM	Open hearing: Ad Hoc Commission 2 (convention hall)	
8:30 PM	Fellowship and refreshments or floor committee meeting time	

## **WEDNESDAY MORNING – JULY 29, 2015**

8:00 AM	Morning devotion: One in faith	<i>Rev. Daniel Sims</i>
8:20 AM	Floor Committee #24 (Elections)	
8:30 AM	World Missions	<i>Rev. Larry Schlomer</i>
9:00 AM	Home Missions	<i>Rev. Keith Free</i> <i>Rev. Charles Westra</i>
9:30 AM	Board for Ministerial Education	<i>Rev. Paul Prange</i> <i>Rev. Philip Hirsch</i> <i>Pres. Paul Wendland</i> <i>Pres. Mark Zarling</i> <i>Pres. Matthew Crass</i> <i>Pres. Joel Petermann</i>
10:00 AM	Floor Committee #24 (Elections)	
10:15 AM	Break	
10:30 AM	Ministry of Christian Giving	<i>Rev. Kurt Lueneburg</i>

11:00 AM	WELS Christian Aid and Relief	<i>Rev. Robert Hein</i>
11:15 AM	Congregation and Ministry Support Group	<i>Rev. Bryan Gerlach Rev. Michael Hintz Rev. James Behringer Mr. James Rademan Rev. Jonathan Hein</i>
11:45 AM	Greetings from the Evangelical Lutheran Synod	<i>Rev. John Moldstad</i>
11:55 AM	Floor Committee #24 (Elections)	
12 noon	Lunch	

### **WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON – JULY 29, 2015**

1:30 PM	Floor Committee #24 (Elections)	
1:40 PM	Floor Committee #25 (Membership and attendance)	
1:45 PM	Northwestern Publishing House Plans for 500th anniversary of the Reformation <i>Forward in Christ</i>	<i>Mr. Bill Ziche Rev. John Braun</i>
2:15 PM	Commission for Inter-Church Relations	<i>Prof. John Brenner</i>
2:30 PM	Floor committee reports	
3:15 PM	Break	
3:30 PM	Floor committee reports	
5:30 PM	Dinner	

### **WEDNESDAY EVENING – JULY 29, 2015**

6:30 PM	World mission presentations	
8:30 PM	Fellowship and refreshments or floor committee meeting time	

### **THURSDAY MORNING – July 30, 2015**

8:00 AM	Morning devotion: One in purpose	<i>Rev. Kent Holz</i>
8:20 AM	Floor committee reports	
10:00 AM	Break	
10:15 AM	Floor committee reports	
11:45 AM	WELS Communication Services	<i>Mr. Lee Hitter</i>

11:55 AM Closing comments

*Rev. Mark Schroeder*

12 noon Lunch

**THURSDAY AFTERNOON – July 30, 2015**

1:00 PM Closing vesper service in Michigan Lutheran Seminary Chapel  
“One in service”

*Presiding minister: Rev. Joel Petermann, Michigan Lutheran Seminary president*

*Preacher: Rev. John Seifert, Michigan District president*