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66TH BIENNIAL CONVENTION OF THE
WISCONSIN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD

AGENDA

July 26-28, 2021

Luther Preparatory School, Watertown, WI
The Steering Committee may revise the agenda at any time.

MONDAY—July 26, 2021

- 4:30 p.m. Delegate orientation in the gymnasium
Rev. Joel Voss, WELS second vice president
Mr. Lee Hitter, WELS communications director
Mr. Martin Spriggs, WELS chief technology officer
- 5:00-6:00 p.m. Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. Opening service with communion in the chapel
Presiding minister: *Rev. Mark Schroeder, WELS president*
Preacher: *Rev. Joel Voss, WELS second vice president*
- 8:00 p.m. Fellowship and refreshments

TUESDAY MORNING—July 27, 2021

- 6:30-7:45 a.m. Breakfast
- 8:00 a.m. Lutheran Women's Missionary Society virtual presentation of the flags
- 8:15 a.m. Call to order
Rev. Mark Schroeder, WELS president
Morning devotion
Rev. Mark Luetzow, Michigan Lutheran Seminary president
- 8:30 a.m. Welcome
Rev. Matthew Crass, Luther Preparatory School president
- 8:40 a.m. Introduction of special guests and observers
Rev. Mark Schroeder, WELS president
- 8:45 a.m. Announcement of election results
Steering Committee

- 8:50 a.m. President's report
Rev. Mark Schroeder, WELS president
- 9:20 a.m. Floor committee #1 (President's Report)
- 9:30 a.m. Ministry Financial Plan (budget) 2021-23
Mr. Kyle Egan, WELS chief financial officer
- 10:00 a.m. Floor Committee #7 (Ministry Financial Plan)
- 10:15 a.m. Break
- 10:30 a.m. Commission on Inter-Church Relations
Prof. James Danell, chairman
- 11:00 a.m. Floor Committee #3 (Commission on Inter-Church Relations)
- 11:15 a.m. Floor Committee #18 (Constitutional Matters)
- 11:30 a.m. Continuing education for called workers
Rev. James Huebner, WELS first vice president
- 11:45 a.m. Fraternal greetings
Rev. Glenn Obenberger, Evangelical Lutheran Synod president
- 12:00-1:00 p.m. Lunch

TUESDAY AFTERNOON—July 27, 2021

- 1:00 pm. Convention theme and video
Rev. John Braun, Forward in Christ
- 1:15 p.m. Essay: "Here We Stand"
Rev. Earle Treptow, Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary president
- 2:45 p.m. Break
- 3:00 p.m. Discussion of the essay
- 3:30 p.m. Ministerial Education
Rev. Paul Prange, administrator
Rev. Duane Rodewald, chairman
- 4:00 p.m. *Equipping Christian Witnesses*
Rev. Richard Gurgel, Martin Luther College president
- 4:15 p.m. Floor Committee #10 (Ministerial Education)

- 4:30 p.m. Northwestern Publishing House
Mr. William Ziche, president
- 4:45 p.m. Floor Committee #16 (Northwestern Publishing House and Publication Coordinating Commission)
- 5:15-6:15 p.m. Dinner

TUESDAY EVENING—July 27, 2021

- 6:30 p.m. Floor Committee #2 (Conference of Presidents)
- 6:55 p.m. Floor Committee #6 (Synodical Council)
- 7:20 p.m. Floor Committee #5 (Communications)
- 7:30 p.m. Fellowship and refreshments

WEDNESDAY MORNING—July 28, 2021

- 6:30-7:45 a.m. Breakfast
- 8:00 a.m. Morning devotion
Rev. Matthew Crass, Luther Preparatory School president
- 8:20 a.m. WELS Christian Aid and Relief
Rev. Daniel Sims, director
Rev. Robert Hein, chairman
- 8:35 a.m. Floor Committee #17 (WELS Christian Aid and Relief)
- 8:50 a.m. World Missions
Rev. Larry Schlomer, administrator
Rev. Paul Janke, chairman
- 9:10 a.m. Floor Committee #9 (World Missions/Joint Mission Council)
- 9:20 a.m. Pension presentation
Mr. Joshua Peterman, director of Benefit Plans
- 9:45 a.m. Floor Committee #19 (Pension Proposal)
- 10:15 a.m. Break
- 10:30 a.m. WELS Hymnal Project presentation
Rev. Michael Schultz, Hymnal Project director

10:45 a.m. Home Missions
Rev. Keith Free, administrator
Rev. Mark Gabb, chairman

11:15 a.m. Floor Committee #8 (Home Missions)

11:30 a.m. Floor Committee #14 (Support Services)

11:45 a.m. Floor Committee #15 (Subsidiaries)

12:00-1:00 p.m. Lunch

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON—July 28, 2021

1:15 p.m. Congregational Services
Rev. Jonathan Hein, Commission on Congregational Counseling director
Professor David Scharf, Commission on Congregational Counseling chairman

1:45 p.m. Floor Committee #13 (Congregational Services “C” – Lutheran Schools)

2:00 p.m. Floor Committee #11 (Congregational Services “A” – Congregational Counseling, Evangelism, Discipleship)

2:15 p.m. Floor Committee #12 (Congregational Services “B” – Worship, Special Ministries)

2:30 p.m. Break

2:45 p.m. Ministry of Christian Giving
Rev. Kurt Lueneburg, director

3:15 p.m. Floor Committee #4 (Ministry of Christian Giving)

3:30 p.m. Closing remarks
Rev. Mark Schroeder, WELS president

3:45 p.m. Closing worship in the chapel with installation of the officers
Presiding minister: *Rev. Matthew Crass, Luther Preparatory School president*
Preacher: *Rev. Charles Westra, South Atlantic District president*

4:45 p.m. Dinner (pick up packet to take and go)