



Lutheran Church-Canada, East District Convention

PRE-CONVENTION BULLETIN NO. 2

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Grace and peace to you from our faithful God and Father who gives us His Spirit that we may believe and speak of His mercy and grace. Amen.

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INTRODUCTION:

This is the second pre-convention bulletin sent to pastors, deacons, and congregations of the East District of Lutheran Church–Canada. These bulletins contain important information for pastoral delegates, lay delegates, and advisory delegates attending the 2015 East District convention. Please keep them for future reference.

CONVENTION PURPOSE:

Members and workers of LCC, East District, will gather at the **Crowne Plaza Hotel, 105 King St. E., Kitchener, on May 3-6, 2015** to hear reports about the work of the church in our District and Synod; to direct our future work together as a District; and to elect and direct officers, boards and committees of the District. Along the way, we hope to gain some knowledge and inspiration while growing deeper in our faith.

The Opening Service (Sun, May 3) and Jubilarian & Memorial Service (Tues, May 5) will be streamed to the web so folks at home can watch on YouTube.com at the Lcc East District Channel.

You are invited . . .

Sunday:

• 2015 Opening Service

Delegates and Guests are invited to gather at Historic St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 137 Queen st., Kitchener on **May 3 at 7:00 pm** for prayer & praise to celebrate Holy Communion. Rev. Dr. Robert Bugbee will deliver the sermon.

• President's Reception

Following the service, please join President Paul and Judy Zabel for fellowship and refreshments.

Monday:

• The Music of Dave Horn

Following our Monday evening dinner, we have invited Dave Horn for the evening's entertainment.

Tuesday:

• Jubilarian & Memorial Service

Delegates and guests are invited to join with jubilarians and their families at the Jubilarian & Memorial Service on **Tuesday, May 5 at 7:30 pm**. Refreshments and fellowship will follow.

Resolutions Committees

Committees will meet at 3:00 p.m., Sunday, May 3, 2015 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. The ED Handbook states in 7.22C that the committees, "shall be open to any member of a District congregation, delegate or advisory delegate, who may appear and speak to the matter." Please contact the Committee Chairmen, as listed below, prior to May 3rd to set a designated time to speak to a particular matter.

Committee # 1: Administration & Structure

Chairman: Rev. Don Schieman
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271 Elm St.,
St. Thomas, ON N5R 5C5
519-631-4020 pastorschieman@yahoo.ca

Members: Rev. Siem Manna; Rev. Robert Clifford; Mr. John Krim; Mr. Bruce MacDonald; Mrs. Judy Obelnycki.

Committee # 2: Outreach & Parish Services

Chairman: Rev. Greg Johnson
c/o Our Saviour Lutheran Church
2705 Islington Ave.,
Toronto, ON M9V 2X7
416-741-2110 pastor.johnson@oslc.on.ca

Members: Rev. David Gallas; Rev. David Hamp; Mr. Bob Schmitt; Mrs. Linda Long; Mr. Robert Wilson.

Responsibility of Delegates

(2014 ED Handbook, 7.34)

- Congregations not sending a lay delegate should submit a written excuse to the District President.
- Congregational pastors unable to attend due to emergencies, health, etc. should provide a written excuse to the District President.
- Delegates in attendance for only a portion of the convention should provide a written excuse to the Registration, Credential, Attendance Committee chairman, Rev. Rob Korsch.

Please support convention exhibitors:

- Ambassadors of Reconciliation
- CLS, Edmonton
- CLTS, St. Catharines
- CUCA, Edmonton
- LCC, East District Missions
- Lutheran Bible Translators
- Lutherans for Life-Canada
- Lutheran Foundation Canada
- Lutheran Friends of the Deaf
- Lutheran Laymen's League
- Lutherwood
- LWMLC Ontario District
- Malinski Memorial Archives
- Pioneer Camp & Retreat Centre

Crowne Plaza Hotel:

- **WIFI** is available at the hotel for those of you who wish to bring your mobile devices.
- **Directions to the hotel** may be found at <http://kitchener-hotel.com>
- **Hotel Phone #** - 519-744-4141 or toll free 1-800-483-7812. Ask for the Lutheran Church–Canada convention office or welcome desk.
- **Check-in Time:** 3:00 p.m.
Check-out Time: 12:00 p.m.
- **Parking for the Opening Service:** You may remain parked at the Crowne Plaza parking lot and walk the two blocks to Historic St. Paul's. There is also some limited space available in the church parking lot or you may park at the Charles St. Parking Building where parking is free every Sunday.

Travel:

Delegates driving to the convention are encouraged to travel together when possible. Mileage for official delegates only, has been set at 24¢ per km. plus 8¢ per km. for each delegate passenger with you (applies to wives only if they are a lay delegate). Expense vouchers will be available in your delegate packet.

Workbook:

Delegate workbooks are available on the District website at <http://lceast.ca/district-convention>.

Printed copies have been mailed to delegates who requested them. Take the time to read the entire convention workbook to enhance your convention experience and to be prepared for business sessions. For those of you who asked to pick up your workbook at convention, they will be available at the registration desk. Binders for printed workbooks are also available at the registration desk.

There will be one final mailing prior to convention of "Section G – Resolutions" and any updates or corrections, etc., to the workbook. They will also be available online.