



SOUTH DAKOTA DISTRICT
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Dear Pastors of the South Dakota District,

Our Spring Conference for 2026 will be **April 20-21 at Zion Lutheran Church in Mitchell**. Conference sessions will be held in their new fellowship hall building to the northwest of the church, and worship will be held in Zion's church building.

Our speaker will be Rev. Andrew Preus, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church in New Haven, Missouri. Pastor Preus will be speaking to us about "God's Answer for Our Chaotic Times," which will be a contemporary treatment of the Three Estates.

Pastor Preus is a graduate of Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary in St. Catharines, Ontario, and he holds a Master of Sacred Theology degree from Concordia Theological Seminary – Fort Wayne. Pastor Preus's writings have appeared in various publications, including the Concordia Theological Quarterly, and he has been a conference speaker for pastors and laity alike. Please bring your Bible and Lutheran Service Book, for reference and our closing Itinerarium.

Registration

The registration fee of \$75.00 is required for all active pastors. There is no conference fee for emeritus pastors, who are also encouraged to attend the conference. Here is the link for registration:

<https://sddlcms.org/event/2026-spring-pastors-conference/>

Payment method: mail check to District office or pay by credit card here:

https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZXFQ/campaign/C-169Z9?access=tile_direct

Hotel Information

Please call and make your room reservations before **April 6**. All hotels have pools. The Days Inn also has a slide. Blocks have been reserved at the following hotels:

AmericInn by Wyndham Mitchell

1421 S Burr St, Mitchell, 57301

Room Rates: Standard Double Queen Room \$124.00 King Room \$124.00

Phone: 605-996-9700 americinnmitchell@gmail.com

Quality Inn of Mitchell

1221 South Burr Street Mitchell, SD 57301

Standard Double Queen Room \$98.00 Double Queen Suite \$123.00

(has a pull-out couch) 2 available King Room \$98.00

Phone: 605-996-1333

qualityinnsd07@gmail.com

Days Inn By Wyndham 1506 S. Burr Street Mitchell, SD 57301

Standard Double Queen Room \$89.00 King Room \$99.00

605-996-6208 daysinn04910@gmail.com

Divine Service

Divine Service will be held Monday night at 7pm at Zion, with President Sturzenbecher preaching. A good block of time has been placed between the conference sessions and Divine Service to allow you plenty of time for supper or other free time.

Wives Session: A wives coffee hour is scheduled for Tuesday morning where Pastor Preus will also have a short presentation for them. There is no childcare offered at this conference, so fathers can take care of their children at this time. The basement at Zion Lutheran Church has a nursery and youth area which will work well for keeping your children occupied.

We look forward to seeing you in Mitchell.

Yours in Christ, Rev. Ryan Loeslie, Chairman

Rev. Timothy Schleusener, Secretary

South Dakota District Spring Pastors Conference

Monday, April 20

11am-12pm	President Sturzenbecher meets with the Circuit Visitors
11am – 12pm	Registration
12pm – 12:15pm	Welcome / Announcements
12:15pm – 1:15pm	Session 1: Rev. Andrew Preus, “God’s Answer For Our Chaotic Times”
1:15pm – 1:45pm	Greetings
1:45pm – 2:15pm	Break
2:15pm – 2:45pm	District President’s Report
2:45pm – 3:00pm	Business Manager’s Report
3:00pm – 4:00pm	Session 2: Rev. Andrew Preus
4:00pm	Closing / Announcements
	Dinner on your own
7:00pm	Divine Service at Zion
	Refreshments afterwards

Tuesday, April 21

9:00am	Matins at Zion
10:00am – 11:00am	Wives Session / Coffee Hour
11:00am – 11:30am	Business Meeting
11:30am – 1:00pm	Lunch on your own
1:00pm – 2:00pm	Session 3: Rev. Andrew Preus
2:00pm – 2:30pm	Break
2:30pm – 3:30pm	Session 4: Rev. Andrew Preus
3:30pm	Closing Announcements / Itinerarium