

## **East Central Synod of Wisconsin**

## **Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**

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# REGISTRATION FOR VOTING MEMBERS AND VISITORS 2017 ASSEMBLY OF THE EAST CENTRAL SYNOD OF WI

Attention: May 19th and 20th at the KI Convention Center/Hyatt Hotel

**Registration/Housing/Misc. Assembly Information** – Due (Early Bird) April 10<sup>th</sup>.

The necessary work of the Synod will be conducted over two days, May 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Friday and 8:30 a.m. on Saturday. The Assembly is scheduled to end by 3:00 p.m. on Saturday.

- ❖ We are Lutheran: Building Bridges Across All the Differences that Divide The theme for this year's assembly. Main speaker will be Rev. Dr. Martin Lohrmann of Wartburg Theological Seminary.
- ❖ The preprint will be emailed and available on our website <a href="http://ecsw.org/assembly/assembly-2017/">http://ecsw.org/assembly/assembly-2017/</a> 30 days prior to the Assembly. Individual copies should be made for all rostered staff and voting members attending the assembly from your congregation.
- ❖ <u>Voting Machines</u> All elections and anything requiring a vote will be done with the voting machines that will be distributed at registration. These machines are assigned to you and you are responsible for returning your voting machine at the end of the assembly. Please do not give or allow anyone but you to use this voting machine. You will be charged \$50 for any machine that is not returned.
- ❖ Assembly Offering 50% going to The ELCJHL Schools. These schools educate approximately 2,500 students between the ages of 3 and 18. The schools have always enrolled both boys and girls, Muslims and Christians. Of these students, approximately 55% are boys and 45 percent are girls. Although Palestinian Christians constitute less than 2% of the population in Palestine, 60 percent of the students in the Lutheran schools are Christian and 40 percent are Muslim. For more information <a href="http://www.elcjhl.org/ed/people/">http://www.elcjhl.org/ed/people/</a>. The other 50% will go to the Bishop's Resource Fund which assists rostered staff with such needs as individual and family counseling, uncovered medical expenses, and other emergency needs.
- ❖ Pre-Assembly Event "We are Lutheran: What does this mean?" Rev. Dr. Martin Lohrmann will be presenting on Luther's catechisms addressing 'big picture' questions like Who is God? Who am I? What is the meaning of life? He will also discuss what 'being Lutheran' meant in the Reformation and what it means to be Lutheran today, especially in a global and ecumenical sense. There will be time for questions and interaction. Whether you are an ordained clergy or are coming in with no knowledge on being Lutheran this event will have something for everyone. Every attendee will receive a pocket edition of Luther's Small Catechism.
- \* Registration Form VOTING MEMBERS and VOTING ROSTERED STAFF can register on-line through PayPal. Go to <a href="http://ecsw.org/assembly/assembly-2017/online-registration/">http://ecsw.org/assembly/assembly-2017/online-registration/</a>

#### OR register by snail mail:

- ❖ Early bird registration of \$150 if received by April 10<sup>th</sup>, and \$195 between April 11<sup>th</sup> and May 1st. Specialized Ministry Voting, Retired Rostered, and Visitors (see the registration form for your costs). All meals are pre-paid; no meal requests or changes may be made at the Assembly and you cannot opt out of meals. All registrations and meal requests are due by May 1<sup>st</sup>. Meals are included in the registration fee. Forms available on-line in a PDF fill-in format at <a href="http://ecsw.org/assembly/assembly-2017/">http://ecsw.org/assembly/assembly-2017/</a>
- Non-Voting Visitors (retired rostered, spouses, and visitors) may use the same form under Visitors & Rostered Retired. Visitors check meal choices and enclose payment for the assembly and meals. Feel free to make additional copies of the registration form.

**Return the Registration Form**, checked appropriately, along with the registration cost. Registrations for all attendees from your congregation may be included in one mailing (with one check and all the registration forms) or mailed individually with appropriate check and form. Make checks payable to the **East Central Synod of Wisconsin** or **ECSW** is sufficient and mail to the Synod office at 16 Tri-Park Way, Appleton, WI 54914

❖ Hotels, Hyatt On Main Hotel – 333 Main Street – Link to web site for our Assembly participants to request rooms https://aws.passkey.com/go/gec17 or Phone: 888-421-1442. When checking in if a church credit card was used please be sure your church has a Credit Card Authorization Form on file with the Hyatt. This form is available on our website http://ecsw.org/assembly/assembly-2017/

Reservations are made directly with the hotel by May 1<sup>st</sup>. The room rate is \$110 (Double Queen Sites) and \$120 (King Suites), single or double. If you plan to share a room, please indicate your roommate's name when you register. A credit card number is required to confirm your reservation. If you are using a tax-exempt status, please supply your church tax exempt number. When checking in if a church credit card was used please be sure your church has a Credit Card Authorization Form on file with the Hyatt to receive the tax exemption. This form is available on our website <a href="http://ecsw.org/assembly/assembly-2017/">http://ecsw.org/assembly/assembly-2017/</a>. Verify the check-in and check-out time for your hotel.

- **♦ Assembly Registration** Friday from 7:30-9:00 a.m.
- Session Times Friday, 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Dinner at 6:15 p.m. Saturday, 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.
- ❖ Parking Provided on the premises for overnight guests For commuters there is the public ramp across the street.
- ❖ Meals are included in registration fee. You cannot opt out.

Fri. Morning Light Refreshments.

Breakfast is provided By the Hyatt for

Overnight guests only.

**Lunch** Plated Lunch

**Dinner** Roasted Chicken, Stuffing,

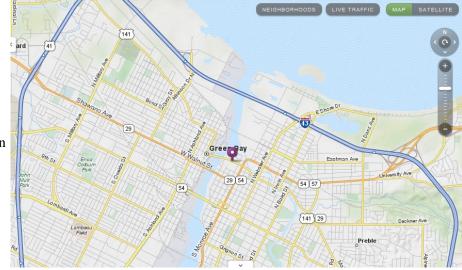
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy or Vegetable Kabob (Gluten

Free)

**Sat. Morning** Light Refreshments.

Breakfast is provided by the Hyatt for overnight guests only.

**Lunch** Plated Lunch



If you have special dietary needs, please specify on the registration form.

If you have questions, please contact the Synod Office at 920-734-5381 or e-mail jill.roznowski@ecsw.org

### SEE YOU AT THE ASSEMBLY!!!