# **AGENDA**

for the

# 71st Annual Convention

of the

# June 28, 29, 30, 2024

with the

PLENARY PASTORAL CONFERENCE on June 26th BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING on June 27th

Held at

St. John's Lutheran Church Sixth and Tangent Streets Lebanon, Oregon 97355

The Rev. Paul E. Bloedel, Pastor



**CONVENTION MOTTO** 

Rationalism — The Enemy of Christian Faith

# The Convention

## FRIDAY MORNING —

9:00 a.	m Registration of All Delegates and Visitors
9:30	OPENING SERVICE OF THE CONVENTION
	with the Keynote Sermon by
	The Rev. David T. Mensing, Conference President (The Offering will benefit the General Conference Treasury)
10:45	Brief Opening Devotion by the President
	Appointment of Convention Committees
	Initial Report of the Committee on Registration and Excuses
	Annual Report of the Conference President
11:15	Appointment of a <b>Committee to Review the President's Report</b>
11:20 .	Presentation of the Official <b>Agenda</b>
11:25 .	
11:30	Announcements
12:00	NOON LUNCH HOUR
FRIDA	Y AFTERNOON —
1:15 p.	m OPENING DEVOTION Rev. David J. Mensing
1:30	Recommendations from the <b>Board of Directors</b> (including any matters requiring convention approval)
2:00	Report of the <b>Finance Committee</b> concerning the <b>past</b> fiscal year and presentation of the Committee's <b>Initial Budget Proposal</b>
2:30	Report of the <b>Committee on Missions</b>
3:15	RECESS
3:30	Report of the Editorial Committee
4:00	Report of the Publishing House Board of Control
4:30	Report of the Business Manager of Scriptural Publications
5:00	
5:15	Announcements
5:30	SUPPER HOUR

## **SATURDAY MORNING** —

9:00 a.	m OPENING DEVOTION Rev. David T. Mensing
9:15 <b>S</b>	<b>PECIAL INTEREST REPORTS</b> regarding the health, welfare, and current status of Pastor Robert J. Lietz and Pastor <i>Emeritus</i> Edward J. Worley
10:00	DOCTRINAL ESSAY: Rationalism — The Enemy of Christian Faith
10:45	RECESS
11:00	DOCTRINAL ESSAY (con'd) Rev. Paul E. Bloedel
11:30 .	Report of the <b>Committee on Lutheran Union</b> and discussion of other official contacts
11:45 .	Report of the Committee to Review the President's Report
11:50	Report of the Auditing Committee
11:55 .	Announcements
12:00	NOON LUNCH HOUR
SATURDAY AFTERNOON —	
1:15 p.	mRev. David J. Mensing
1:30	Report of the Committee on Theological Education
2:00	Further Report of the <b>Finance Committee</b> regarding the <b>Proposed Budget</b> for Fiscal 2024-2025 (if any)
2:45	Initial Report of the <b>Resolutions Committee</b> (if any)
3:00	RECESS
3:15	Election of Officers and Standing Committees (In accordance with By-Law No. 2, officers are both nominated and elected by <u>ballot vote</u> of the delegates. Standing committees are nominated in <u>slates</u> : The <i>incumbent</i> slate, a slate proposed by the Nominating Committee, and possibly others directly from the floor.) NOTE that "term limits" apply this year (Vice President).
5:00	Review of the <b>Minutes</b> of the Saturday Sessions
5:15	Announcements
5:30	SUPPER HOUR

PLEASE NOTE: As is our usual custom, members of our fellowship are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper in the Sunday Worship Service as guests of the local congregation. Communicants are reminded that they should announce beforehand to their <a href="https://www.news.out.news.o

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#### SUNDAY MORNING —

#### 10:00 a.m.. DIVINE WORSHIP SERVICE WITH HOLY COMMUNION

The Liturgy: Rev. Paul E. Bloedel, Pastor Loci The Sermon: Rev. David J. Mensing, Pastor — St. Mark's

(The Offering will help the local congregation defray convention expenses.)

12:00

## NOON LUNCH HOUR

# SUNDAY AFTERNOON — 1:45 p.m. ...... OPENING DEVOTION ...... Rev. David T. Mensing 2:00 DOCTRINAL ESSAY: Rationalism — The Enemy of Christian Faith (con'd.) ...... Rev. Paul E. Bloedel **RECESS** 3:15 3:30 DOCTRINAL ESSAY (to its conclusion) ........... Rev. Paul E. Bloedel 4:00 ...... Final Report of the **Finance Committee** and the Adoption of a Fiscal Budget for 2024-2025 4:15 ...... Statistical Report for 2023-2024 4:25 ...... Final Report of the **Resolutions Committee** 4:40 ...... Final Report of the Committee on Registration and Excuses 4:45 Location of the **72nd Annual Convention** (June 27, 28 and 29, 2025) 4:50 ...... Review of the Minutes of the Sunday Session 5:00 ...... Announcements and Adjournment with a Closing Devotion by the President

#### SUNDAY EVENING —

5:30

7:00 p.m. ............ Organizational Meeting of the New Board of Directors (In attendance should be all the new officers, members-at-large, and the *chairmen* of the standing committees. Other members of the standing committees may attend in an advisory capacity.)

SUPPER HOUR