



One Lord, One Faith, One Body

Lutheran Church–Canada Thirteenth Regular Convention

June 12-15, 2026

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CONVENTION WORKBOOK



FOREWORD

Whether you are a voting or advisory delegate, advisory representative, official visitor, or guest; the 2026 *Convention Workbook* is an important resource for the Thirteenth Regular Convention of Lutheran Church–Canada which is scheduled to meet from June 12-15 at the Victoria Inn Hotel & Convention Centre in Winnipeg, MB. Besides reports from the Synod’s officers, board, commissions, regions, and its affiliated seminaries, auxiliaries and other organizations; this workbook contains profiles of candidates who have been nominated for the various positions that will be elected, and, of course, overtures.

An overture is basically a request from a congregation, an authorized board, commission, or other official entity asking the convention to take a particular action. The title of each overture states in a brief way what the specific request is. Although this workbook contains a number of overtures, they normally do not come before the convention delegates in that exact form. Resolutions Committees, consisting of convention delegates, are appointed by the Synod President to consider them. These committees will then present resolutions to the convention based on the various matters the overtures address. While performing a helpful service, these Resolutions Committees do not have the final word. Voting delegates may accept their proposed resolutions, decline them, amend them, or even go back to one of the original overtures if the assembly so desires. In the final weeks before the convention, the proposed resolutions from the Resolutions Committees will be sent as a separate publication to all delegates.

While the secretary of the Board of Directors of LCC has the ultimate responsibility for the publication of this *Convention Workbook*, this task is carried out with the valuable assistance of our staff at the Synod’s office in Winnipeg: Iris Barta (who is serving as the 2026 convention manager), Angela Honey, Vira Askin, and Ingrid Willey. I thank everyone who submitted reports and other resources for this *Convention Workbook* in a timely fashion.

The theme for this 2026 convention is **“Together One: One Lord, One Faith, One Body”**. Drawn from our Lord’s word to us in Ephesians 4:4-6, it also builds on the theme of the work we have done together over the last four years. There is one God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—and no other. He has called us into the one Christian faith and has graciously given us the gift of faith that clings to Christ alone for salvation. We are indeed one body as His people as we gather around His Holy Word and Sacraments which nourish and sustain us in this one faith in the one Lord.

It is a particularly fitting theme as, for only the second time, delegates from every parish across our Synod are invited to be together in convention. May our gracious Lord enable us to walk together in a manner worthy of the calling that we have received as we all prepare, deliberate, travel, and speak and listen to one another during these coming convention days. May He deepen among us the bond of unity in the Spirit that is ours in Christ.

Rev. Michael Schutz, Vice-President,
on behalf of
Rev. Timothy Teuscher, President
Lutheran Church–Canada

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LUTHERAN CHURCH–CANADA
Thirteenth Regular Convention
Proposed Agenda

Friday, June 12

10:00-7:00 pm Registration (Berry St foyer)
 1:00-3:30 pm Convention (Resolution) Committees
 (Victoria Inn Board Rooms)
 2:00 pm Board of Directors (Kensington Rm)

SESSION 1 (Victoria Inn)

4:00 pm Opening Prayer
 Registration Committee Report
 Induction Rite of Delegates
 Introductions
 Convention Orientation
 Special Standing Rules
 Adoption of Agenda
 Reception of New Members
 (congregations, pastors, deacons)
 Voting Orientation & Organization
 5:30 pm Supper (at hotels)
 7:30 pm Divine Service (Centennial
 Ballroom)
 8:30-9:30 pm Late Registration (Berry St. Foyer)

Saturday, June 13

6:30-8:15 am Breakfast (at hotels)
 7:00-9:00 am Late Registration (Berry St. Foyer)

SESSION 2

8:15 am Service of Prayer & Preaching
 9:00 am Essay – “Koinonia” (Rev. Dr. Alex
 Vieira)
 10:00 am Registration Committee Report
 President’s Report (Part II)
 Elections
 Reports
 Greetings
 Approval of Minutes
 11:50 am Noon Daily Prayer
 12:00 noon Lunch

SESSION 3

1:30 pm Opening Prayer
 Convention Committees
 2:15 pm Reports
 Greetings
 Convention Committees
 3:45 pm Responsive Prayer 2

INFORMATION SESSION 1

4:15-5:15 pm
 5:30 pm Supper (at hotels)

SESSION 4

7:00 p.m. Opening Prayer
 Greetings
 Nominations/Elections
 8:30 p.m. Close of the Day Daily Prayer
 9:00 p.m. Social Time (Hilton Stevenson
 Ballroom)

Sunday, June 14

6:30-8:15 am Breakfast

SESSION 5

8:15 am Matins
 9:00 am Bible Study – Ephesians 2:13-22
 (Rev. Dr. James Kellerman)
 10:00 am Elections
 Reports
 Greetings
 Convention Committees
 Approval of Minutes
 11:50 am Noon Daily Prayer
 12:00 noon Lunch (at hotels)

SESSION 6

1:30-3:45 pm Opening Prayer
 Elections
 Reports
 Greetings
 3:45 pm Commemoration of the
 Faithful Departed

INFORMATION SESSIONS 2

4:15-5:15 pm
 7:00-9:00 pm An Evening in Wittenberg
 (Centennial Ballroom)

Monday, June 15

6:30-8:15 am Breakfast (at hotels)

SESSION 7

8:15 am Service of Prayer and Preaching
 9:00 am Convention Committees
 Other Unfinished Items
 Recognition of Outgoing BOD
 Approval of Minutes
 11:45 am Responsive Prayer 1
 12:00 p.m. Adjournment
 12:15 p.m. Box Lunch (Victoria Inn)



SPECIAL STANDING RULES (proposed)

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE & PRINCIPLES

CONVENTION GLOSSARY

ELECTION INSTRUCTIONS

The above will be published in the upcoming Today's Business