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**24th Annual Assembly of the
Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
and LIFT (Lutherans In Faith Together)
June 17-18, 2011
Muhlenberg College, Allentown, PA**

Registration Confirmation

Your registration as a

- voting member
- visitor
- special guest
- LIFT participant

for the 24th annual synod assembly and LIFT, June 17-18, 2011 is confirmed.

Note: More details on the gathering are available by clicking on the links on the **synod website**, www.godslove.org.

Registration opens at 8:30 AM on Friday, June 17 in the corridor of the Life Sports Center (the Field House). The assembly begins at 9:30 AM, and LIFT begins at 1:00 PM.

Assembly plenary sessions for rostered leaders and lay voting members are scheduled on Friday from 9:30-11:55 AM and 7:00-8:15 PM and on Saturday from 9:00-Noon.

The **annual business** of the synod, including elections, reports, and discussion, is conducted during plenary sessions.

Visitors and LIFT participants are encouraged to attend as many assembly sessions as your schedule permits.

Workshops and Chapel Concerts for everyone will be held 2:45-3:45 and 4:00-5:00 PM on Friday and 2:45-3:45 PM on Saturday. LIFT participants can attend a workshop or concert 9:15-10:15 AM on Saturday.

For a complete look at the gathering schedule, consult the **agenda** at the front of the *Bulletin of Reports* on the assembly page of the synod website (www.godslove.org).

Please remember to print the *Bulletin of Reports* from the synod website (www.godslove.org) in advance since copies will not be available at the assembly.

For emergencies, the telephone number for Muhlenberg College is **484-664-3100** day or night.

Special Guests:

The Rev. Dr. Jon Pahl, Professor of the History of Christianity in North America and Director of MA Programs at The Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia. Dr. Pahl will be the Keynote presenter at 1:30 PM on Friday and lead a workshop, *5 Peace Principles and Prosperous Mission*, during session 2 of the Friday workshops.

Marty Haugen, composer of liturgical music for both Roman Catholic and Protestant congregations. For the past 25 years Marty has presented workshops and concerts worldwide for church musicians and anyone interested in the renewal of worship.

Mary Preus, singer, song leader, and choir director. Along with serving as music director at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Minneapolis, Mary focuses her current music research on diverse singing styles and on the worship and singing life of justice centered communities of faith around the world.

Marty Haugen and Mary Preus will lead a workshop for worship leaders and musicians during session 1 of the Friday workshops and one for LIFT participants during session 3 of the Saturday workshops.

Children's Programming will be offered for children ages 6-12. Younger children will be expected to stay with their parents and children over 12 are expected to attend workshops.

Meals will be available in Muhlenberg's Wood Dining Commons. There will be varied styles of cooking and food at each meal, including vegetarian. Breakfast is \$6.00; lunch \$9.00; and dinner \$11.30. **Meal tickets must be ordered by June 3 and will be distributed with your name tag at registration.** A list of area restaurants will be available at the assembly. Because of the college's contract with its food service, **you will not be allowed to bring outside food or beverages onto the campus.**

If you reserved **housing on campus**, dormitory locations and keys will be distributed at registration.

Displays will be set up at the rear of the assembly hall. The bookstore from the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia will also be in the corridor near Registration.

Worship will reflect the gathering theme. Holden Evening Prayer will be held in Egner Chapel Friday at 7:00 PM for LIFT participants and at 8:35 PM for Assembly participants. Saturday, a Festival Eucharist with Marty Haugen begins at 10:45 AM in the Field House. Bishop Zeiser will preach. Two offerings will be received: one for the ELCA World Hunger Appeal and one will go to the Lutheran Malaria Initiative.

The Board of Pensions will not be represented at the assembly due to their budget restraints.

Directions to Muhlenberg College:

For those using a GPS: The address of the college is **2400 West Chew Street, Allentown, PA, 18104.** Driving directions and a link to a

campus map can be found on the Muhlenberg website, www.muhlenberg.edu/main/aboutus.

From I-78 (and ROUTE 309, which merges with I-78 near Allentown): Take the Cedar Crest Boulevard exit (Exit 55; also marked Route 29). Follow Cedar Crest Boulevard north (towards Allentown - approximately two miles) to the sixth traffic light. Do not count any of the lights as you come off the ramp or in the I-78 intersection. Turn right onto Chew Street and bear right at the fork. Follow Chew Street one mile to the campus.

From Route 22: Take the Cedar Crest Boulevard exit. Follow Cedar Crest Boulevard south to the third traffic light. Turn left onto Chew Street and bear right at the fork. Follow Chew Street one mile to the campus.

Free parking is available in most surface parking lots on campus as well as on the street. The lot on the east end of the Life Sports Center will be reserved for people unloading displays or leading workshops.

Questions? Contact Glenn Simmons at 610-928-0125, or Debbie Frey at the synod office, 610-395-6891.



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